



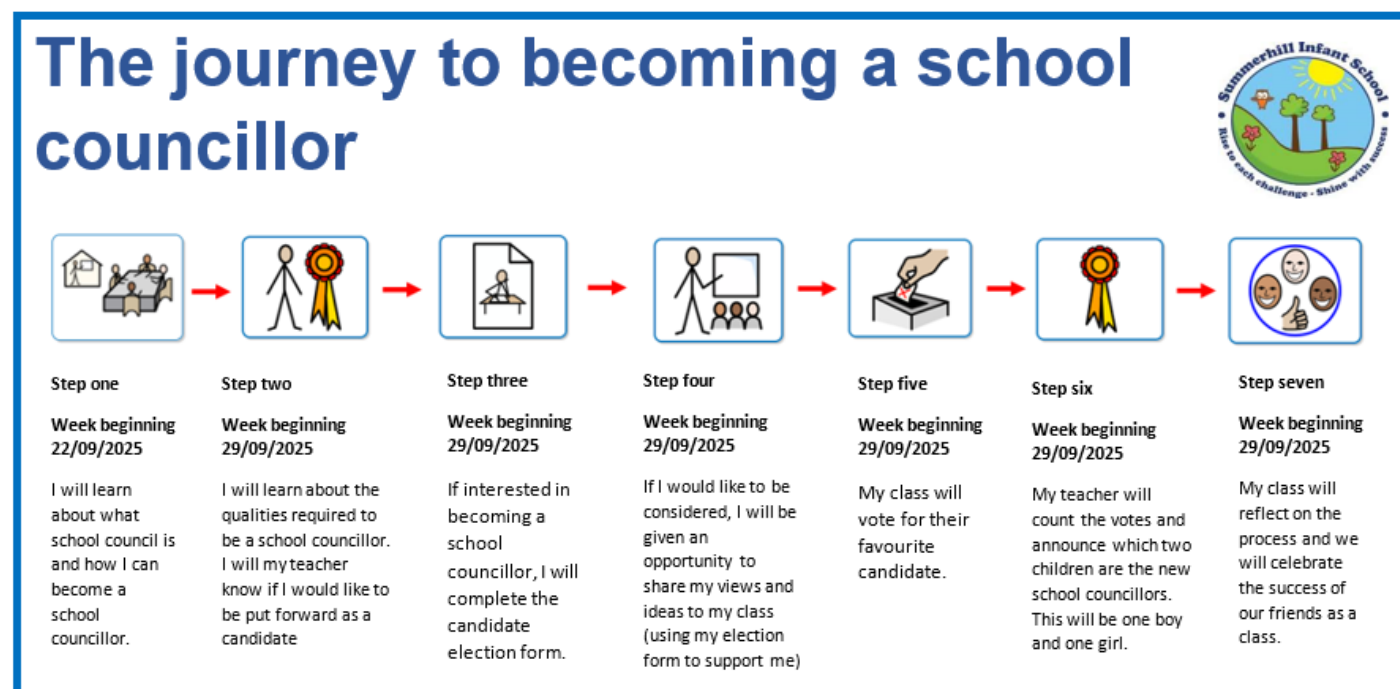
Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 1 and Year 2 School Council Elections

This term we will be electing new School Councillors in Year 1 and Year 2.

We will share the election process with the children during week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> September and the children will vote in their new school councillors the following week. The diagram below shows this process in more detail.

School Councillors play an important role in our school community by representing their class in discussing school issues. They help to make decisions about how school is run and take on projects that support learning and development in our school, such as helping to organise charity events, representing the school in our community or helping to ensure the school is environmentally friendly. The election process is also an effective way of teaching children about democracy – for all children, not just those who would like to be considered for the posts or for the children who are successful with their application.



We encourage all children to apply for the role of School Councillor as it gives them an opportunity to develop various skills, including communication skills and their ability to problem solve, plus much more besides!

However, children can choose not to apply if, after learning about what being a School Councillor entails, they decide they would not currently like to take up this offer. The whole process will be managed in school – from learning about what a School Councillor is, to preparing their election form and voting, and finally reflecting on the process. You do not need to complete anything at home, however you may wish to talk to your child about whether they would like to apply and remind them of the process (detailed above).

Please get in touch if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

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