

St Mary's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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School Council Statement

The school council here at St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Crewe consists of extremely active, dedicated and well organised pupils.

Guided by our gospel values of tolerance, independence, co-operation, creativity and spiritual growth through the Catholic Faith, the members of our school council take their roles very seriously. As a result of their hard work and dedication, they have orchestrated and coordinated positive changes within our school. Our school councillors are chosen democratically by their fellow class members and in line with the British Values, after completing an application form and presenting it confidently. Our children understand the importance of being part of a democracy and having their voices heard.

Our school council members stand by our school mission statement of 'Working together through faith and Education,' ensuring that every voice is heard and valued. We are working alongside teachers, Miss Ellis, Mrs Hassall and Mrs Thornhill, who help to facilitate the meetings. Through these efforts, our school council helps to provide positive change within our school community, meeting several times each half term to discuss, plan and prioritise their actions. Our School Council will be becoming responsible for an Eco Team ensuring they fulfil their role within the school, for a better future.

Vision Statement

Our school council works together as a team to ensure we can be the best school possible by discussing ideas and making decisions.

- We aim to help all pupils feel comfortable, happy and safe at school.
- We work together through trust, co-operation, team work and a positive attitude.
- We aim to listen to others, discuss comments and make suggestions that would make our school even better than it is now!

Over the past few years, our school council have helped to improve the school environment and grounds, suggested and ran fundraising activities during school time, raised money for charities and acted as hosts when we have visitors.

Some examples of the children's ideas for how St. Mary's could be an even better place to be this year include:

- Contributing to the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon, which generated a lot for the charity.
- Helping with the poppy appeal for 2025.
- Aided Mrs Wright on an open afternoon, and spoke with parents
- Began an Eco Team, who will be ran by our school council
- Worked on the school peace garden

Meet our School Councillors

School Council List 25/26

7 SW/DH	Mia
	Toby
8 MM	Marysia
	Tymek
9 EB/MT	Paul
	Tionna
10 ME	Ayooluwa
	Emily
11 LD	Amara
	Spencer
12 CB/MT	Dorothy
	Liam
13 CW	Marcel
	Molly
14 IB/MT	Chizi
	Lonan
15 KH	Minnie
	Eric and Xander
16 EB	Olivia
	Ethan
17 KM	Charlie
	Lily



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We are all so happy to be back at St. Mary's this Autumn Term and are delighted to be able to announce our new school council members for 2025-2026.

The children were invited to apply for the role of school councillor by completing a manifesto and delivering this to their classes. Following this, voting took place and two or three members of each class were chosen to represent them as school council members for this academic year.

The children already have many ideas for the school council this year, are eager to share and we hope to be able to support the children in achieving many of their ambitions for improving St. Mary's and making it an even better place to be!

Miss Ellis, Mrs Hassall and Mrs Thornhill



September 2025– Macmillan Coffee Afternoon



Our School Councillors supported our successful Macmillan coffee afternoon in the Autumn term, which helps to raise money towards an incredibly important cause. In fact we raised £842.81.

The children supported Mrs Wright in the KS2 hall, serving

tea and coffee to our families and selling some delicious cakes and bakes, as well as handing out cakes in their own classrooms and areas. The children were incredibly polite and represented themselves superbly.



October 2025 – Open Afternoon

Some members of our School Council helped Mrs Wright with an Open Afternoon for parents. The acted professionally and answered questions for the parents whilst on the guided tour of our wonderful school. For this, they received a very well-deserved blue card and a treat from Mrs Wright.



November 2025 – Poppy Appeal

Two of our school council members support Mrs Wright in the selling of poppies as part of the 2025 Poppy Appeal for remembrance, in memory of those who have fallen. This was alongside the school taking part in remembrance activities linked to our PSHE curriculum.



December 2025 – Eco Team

In our initial school council meeting, it was discovered that our school council were keen on something to make us more environmentally conscious. Therefore, it was decided that we would have an Eco Team in school that would be making positive changes within school. They will undertake tasks such as turning of the lights, computers and boards in rooms that are not in use, litter picking and gardening. Children in classes will apply for this to be chosen by either democracy or by their school councillors. The School Council will be responsible for ensuring that their Eco Team are fulfilling their role.



January 2026 – ECO Team



As soon as we came back for Christmas, we set to work choosing our ECO team, explaining their role and setting them off to work! They have been ensuring they go around the school turning off lights, reducing litter at breaktimes, turning off unused computers, tidying classrooms and being all round more ECO conscious. During this time, the School Council decided that they would like to do an Eco Assembly for their cohort as well as an Eco competition.

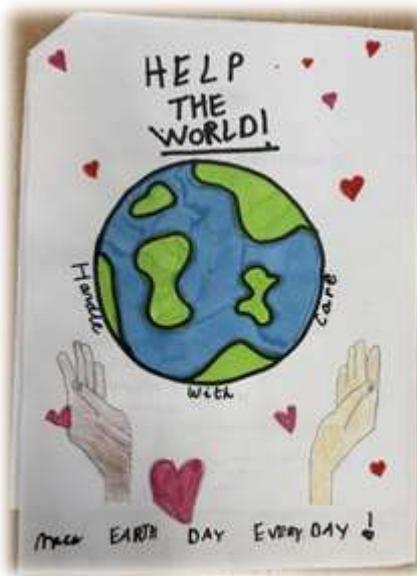


February 2026 – ECO Competition



Before half term, the school council sent home an Eco competition to design an eco-poster that could be displayed around the school. The school council had a wonderful response to this, with many posters returned and judged them on the 26th February, ready to announce the winners on the 27th February. The children of St Mary's must have spent an incredible amount of time and effort creating such beautiful posters

that also spread such an important message about what we can do to help our planet. The school council really enjoyed voting for their winners.



February 2026 – ECO Assembly

As we have had such an important focus on Eco during Spring term, we thought it would be lovely to spread some of the knowledge and tips we have thought of with the rest of KS2. The school council thought of some wonderful tips to improve, but also what the school already does really well and made it into a fun assembly. Our year 3 and 4 school councillors will do their assembly for their cohort, and the year 5 and 6 school councillors will do a slightly more adapted (and grown up!) one for their cohort also. During this assembly, we will display and announce the winners of the competition and have some wonderful Eco-friendly prizes to give out.



For World Book Day, Mrs Broughton has again announced a World Book Day photo competition. She has kindly asked our school council to help her judge this competition, which is a really exciting way for them to get involved in World Book Day 2026. They are really looking forward to seeing the responses and what we can see the children of St Mary's reading!

Things to come:

- Sunflower competition
- Easter activities and fundraising (class egg rolling competition, name the bunny)
- A letter to David Attenborough to celebrate his 100th birthday, and all the wonderful things he has done for animals and our planet
- Crewe heritage work