



WP School Council 2023-24



Our School Council got off to a great start at our first meeting. They made lots of suggestions to help improve the school experience for the pupils of William Patten. Here are their suggestions and actions from last week.

Can we have more vegan options for lunch? Maybe – we might be able to change some options so there are different choices but we need a balance of options to meet everyone's dietary needs and preferences. Sian and Elmara will liaise with the kitchen team.

Can we start a lightsaber class? Fencing club already use them! See the great photo below from this week.



Can more children go to the Rainbow Room? No – The timetable is already full and we need to ensure that the children who need to use our sensory space are prioritised. All children in school have access to their classroom 'Regulation Station' and others will also use the new Sensory Circuit equipment that Caitlin has set up in each hall.

Can we have a dairy-free mac and cheese? We are going to trial this to see if everyone prefers it to the tomato-sauce based, gluten free option on that day.

Can we get WP backpacks? We have a WP book bag for your RWI and other books. Unfortunately, we don't have the space to hang over 400 backpacks on your pegs (and no space for lockers as one School Councillor suggested).

Can year 5 children walk home alone?

Karen is currently considering this request.

Can we have jelly back on the menu? No – it has zero nutritional value. Our fruit selection is much healthier and delicious!

Can we have a charity day? Yes, we'll have many! You'll be planning the charity collections soon and all School Council members will have a turn shaking their buckets at the gates.



There's a little gap in the photo above because two Council members were at a sports tournament - but we look forward to hearing from them at next week's meeting.