

Powerstown Educate Together National School

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Re: Student Council and Green Schools Committee

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Election season is upon us in Powerstown Educate Together! Over the coming weeks we will be democratically selecting the members of the Student Council and Green Schools Committee.

The Student Council comprises two children from each class and aims to make the school a better place for all the students in the school. Their slogan is 'Your Voice, Your Choice'. The Green Schools Committee also comprises two children from each class and aims to encourage everyone to keep the school green. Their slogan is 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle'

Each class will be represented by two children – a boy and a girl. Elected members of each committee will attend meetings, organise events and initiatives with the help of the staff co-ordinators of each committee.

Every child is entitled to put themselves forward as a candidate to represent their class in either the Student Council <u>or</u> the Green Schools Committee elections. All candidates will run an election campaign in which they will create posters with their picture and slogan; prepare speeches and deliver their speeches to the whole school during a campaign meeting.

The elections will take place by secret ballot on the following dates:

- Student Council: Friday 19th September
- Green Schools Committee: Friday 26th September

Please speak with your children about the elections and encourage them to consider their interest in running for either the Student Council or the Green Schools Committee.

We look forward to hearing all the campaign speeches and watching all the children exercise their right to vote for their class representatives.

Kind regards,

Aoife McGonigle

On behalf of the Student Council and Green Schools Co-Ordinators