



Swanwick School and Sports College

School Council Notes Tuesday 17th June 2025

School Council was represented by a member of each form group across all Key Stages. All students came prepared with written responses to the agenda and verbal ideas in addition.

Primary 1: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Talking• Signing• Singing• Letting someone know what you want <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading• Signing• Money• Friendship <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lessons on laptop• Music on purple mash• Email
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We liked the science, making different cookies.
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowing numbers, tens and ones, different shapes, money and coins.
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We don't go to the lunch time clubs because of what time we eat. The primary classes should make our own clubs.
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We really like being able to go on the pitch for breaktime clubs as well as going to the hall.
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Slime

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sticki book
Any other business: - N/A

Primary 2: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where we communicate with each other by sharing our ideas • Expressing our emotions <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sometimes people have fun ideas • It's in our learning heroes <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You don't see people face to face anymore.
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <p>WWW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooking activities, making space cookies • When people from different classes mix together <p>EBI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A theme park interhouse • Everyone making good choices • Give enough time for everyone to do every activity
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <p>Someone who is smart and remembers things. Maths is a life skill and you use maths in science and science in maths.</p>
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary 2 didn't know what lunch time clubs were on offer all the time
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is only 1 prefect in ping pong club
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slime • Microphone • Lots of the Wii games didn't work

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3D Pens
Any other business: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We would like a crochet club • Chess club • Disc golf club

Nurture Class KS3 Blue: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking • Signing • Listening <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To learn • To know what to do and how to do it • To play games • Listen to teach • Listen to mummy/daddy <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAC units – we use these in class. NP talks to Mammam on his mobile phone in the taxi.
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older children helping younger children • Looking at good role models to copy • Making & eating biscuits • Bee Bots were lots of fun
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counting, sharing & adding • Knowing how much something costs at the shops
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <p>Nurture blue haven't attended any this term.</p>
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <p>Nurture blue haven't attended any this term.</p>

Epraise prize ideas: -

- Cuddly toys

Any other business: - N/A

Nurture Class KS3 Yellow: -

At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.

What does communicate mean to you?

Communicate means that we talk to people using appropriate method e.g. voice, sign language and that we listen to them too.

Why is it an important life skill?

It is important to be able to communicate because we will need to talk to work colleagues, our parents, our friends, doctors, dentists and people that we buy services from. If people cannot communicate then they will not get the things that they need. This could be physical things or friendships.

What changes has technology had on communication?

Mobile phones and computers mean that we don't have to see the people that we are talking to. This makes it easier to be unkind to people.

Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -

WWW

- The sessions are fun and there is a good range of activities. It is good to work with pupils from different classes

EBI

- Make the sessions longer as sometimes they are a little rushed.

Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?

We think to be good at maths you need to have the knowledge of times tables and number bonds. You also need to be able to read questions. If you get something wrong, you need to work it out again. You need to learn from your mistakes. A "have a go" attitude is also important.

We think that having the right attitude is the most important thing to make someone good at maths.

<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <p>WWW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is good that a range of lunchtime clubs are available if you want them and attendance is flexible. <p>EBI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If there was a tennis club. • It would be good to have the connect 4, Jenga and basket balls available again
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <p>WWW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is good that a range of breaktime clubs are available if you want them and attendance is flexible <p>EBI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would be good to have the connect 4, Jenga and basket balls available again
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battery powered air hockey • Buy a class reward (e.g., guaranteed trip to somewhere) using points from everyone <p>Most things have been sold out this week.</p>
<p>Any other business: - N/A</p>

<p>Nurture Class KS4: -</p>
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <p>Communicate is when you talk to somebody through words and body language to let people know your thoughts, how you are feeling and give ideas and opinions.</p> <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <p>It is an important life skill because you need to communicate well when you get a job, it is important for interviews. You also need to know how to communicate to buy things and help people to understand you.</p> <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AI robots that can help us to talk • Phones to text or speak to people • Internet to access communication with people around the world

Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -

WWW:

- Mathematics - loved the games
- Science – enjoyed investigating buzzers/ lights making circuits
- Biscuit space designs/ rockets

EBI:

- Lego challenge
- Model aeroplane making

Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?

Somebody who is good at maths can use addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and use these in real life. They can use maths for money (buying stuff) and measuring like construction.

Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?

WWW:

- Handball, table tennis, rounders, boccia

EBI:

- Good as it is

Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?

WWW:

- Table tennis

EBI:

- Sports day activities

Epraise prize ideas: -

- Football time like wii time
- Teacher chair treat (15 minutes)

Any other business: - N/A

Year 7: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking • Signing • Body language • Facial expression <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To help you get a job, make friends and get money <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk online • Play games • WhatsApp
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of teamwork • Good timings – not too long
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use maths in the real world • Do it quickly
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't like Boccia/ Yoga is not well attended • Football and handball fun • More trampolining or gymnastics
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We like Badminton & table tennis
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restock prizes – more footballs
<p>Any other business: - N/A</p>

Year 8: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking to your friends/ family members, signing, communicating everyone's position in football and where they need to be, communicating how you feel, communicating in teams/sports. <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be able to work well as a team, to understand others peoples feeling, to ask for help, to communicate if you want something or if you need something. <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can talk from far away through phone calls, we can text each other and we can talk to each other on a PS5.
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <p>WWW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We like that interhouse gives us the opportunity to be with other peers in school i.e. children in primary We like that we get to work together in teams at interhouse <p>EBI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include more puzzle based interhouse activities – there are lots of physical activities
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <p>We think that to be good at maths you should be good at counting, using money, knowing your numbers, knowing the four operations. We also think you should be resilient.</p> <p>Sometimes in maths you get the wrong answer and you have to go back and repeat the question. You should keep on trying over and over. Lastly, you should be able to retain information. The starter helps us to do this because we repeat what we have learnt in the lesson before.</p>
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Could we have tag rugby on one of the days? Boxercise club
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We really enjoy sharks and minnows at break time Introduce an art club
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Form BBQ afternoon (maybe 250 epraise points) Petting zoo to come to class (maybe 250 epraise points) Ice-cream van to school for a reward Warhammer West Park, Long Eaton Trip to Matlock – play on the arcades
<p>Any other business: - N/A</p>

Year 9 Yellow: -
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking • Having fun • Sign language • Eye contact <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication will help us get a job and have a good interview • It lets us tell people how we are feeling <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long range communication – you can talk to people across the world at any time, you have to be careful because you don't always know who you are talking to. • People sometimes bully on social media
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <p>WWW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's nice having different themed events as not everyone is good at sports <p>EBI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maybe an outdoor or creative explorers' theme
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge • Intelligence • IQ
<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Love handball • Don't like Boccia
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We like 'fit to ski' and badminton
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lego sets • Pokémon/ trading cards
<p>Any other business: - N/A</p>

Year 9 Blue: -

At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.

What does communicate mean to you?

- Talking to people
- A way of sharing information
- Can use phones to text
- We use Makaton to help communicate with pupils who cant use speech

Why is it an important life skill?

- Helps us speak to new people
- Helps us speak in unfamiliar situations

What changes has technology had on communication?

- Communicate online – easier to speak to people and play with friends
- Communicate across long distances
- Quick to get help in an emergency
- Some people don't communicate face to face as much anymore
- People might stop understanding social cues
- Using emojis instead of text

Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -

WWW:

- It was fun – got to experience new activities like beebot's
- Enjoyed the biscuit designing
- Most people prefer interhouse in the afternoon after morning lessons

EBI:

- Could do with longer so all students get to try every activity
- More board game activities

Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?

- Being good at problem solving and putting in effort to practice
- Being able to explain how to get the correct answer

Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- Need some different activities: tennis, boccia, badminton, rounders and relay races
- Don't mind football not being on as long as there are other things to do
- Board games could be hosted by prefects

Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- Prefects could get involved more by hosting teambuilding games

Epraise prize ideas: -

- More remote-control cars
- Lego sets
- Pokémon cards
- Vouchers
- Hair accessories – hair brushes, hair clips, hair bobbles & scrunchies

Any other business: -

- In warm weather could people with packed lunches eat outside?
- Could have monitors to stop littering, ensure manors are being used, this could give new students different responsibilities.

Year 10: -

At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.

What does communicate mean to you?

- Being kind
- Talking to other people
- Texting/phoning

Why is it an important life skill?

- If it was an emergency, you could contact someone

What changes has technology had on communication?

- It allows us to speak to people all over the world

Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -

- Kickball

Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?

- Knowing the basics of maths

Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- Everything perfect

<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everything perfect
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket • Football • Fidget spinners
<p>Any other business: -</p> <p>As a prefect I feel like I haven't got that much to do.</p>

<p>Year 11: -</p>
<p>At SSSC we support Derbyshire and their RSE week (23rd – 29th June). The theme for this year is 'Communicate'.</p> <p>What does communicate mean to you?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking • Signs – sign language <p>Why is it an important life skill?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You need to know what's being said so you know what you need to do and what's going to happen • You need to be able to communicate well so other people understand you <p>What changes has technology had on communication?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not talking face to face anymore • Quicker communication • Easier to communicate with the world
<p>Please give us your thoughts on WWW for Interhouse this academic year and EBI ideas: -</p> <p>WWW:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House captains • Prefer sportier interhouse events or more active ones e.g., teambuilding
<p>Can you write us a couple of sentences on what you think makes somebody good at maths?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can work things out easily in their head • Can do division • Know times tables

<p>Feedback on the new lunch time clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nobody in Y11 uses them
<p>Feedback on the break time Prefect clubs, WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance club is good
<p>Epraise prize ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Y11's we think it is better for everyone to choose because we are leaving
<p>Any other business: -</p> <p>Year 11 would like to thank everyone at SSSC for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the opportunities All the help All the experiences All the support All the fun <p>We have had 😊</p>

Actions:

- Mr Parry to review break/ lunch time clubs**
- Mrs England to organise pupils vote for the next Reward trip**

Thank you to all the students that have participated in School Council. Student Council is an essential part of our school curriculum.

**Kind Regards
Mrs England**