



Swanwick School and Sports College

School Council Notes Friday 16th January 2026

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.

<p>Primary Blue: -</p> <p>How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We don't have logins to TT Rockstars• Maybe we could do the ten times tables in Primary Blue <p>What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Videos that make characters bad• Unkind words• Scary videos on YouTube <p>As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making sets• Acting out a story (like Little Red Riding Hood in the creative explorer's area)• Writing our own stories <p>What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• More lift-the-flap touch and feel books <p>How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyone at breaktime clubs• Make good choices <p>Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dinosaur toys• EFL football cards• Gloves• Hats <p>Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We love the breaktime clubs• We really like gymnastics, sharks and minnows and football• We like spending time with the older children

Reward trip ideas: -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aquarium • Performances like the Snowman • Farm park
Any other business: - N/A

Primary Yellow: -
How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A badge on Epraise • Certificate for getting 1500+ points with your avatar on • A secret badge • A medal
What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lagging on games • Hackers • People going away • Child predators
As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write a book filled with short stories written by children around school • A world book day tournament with reading and writing and Epraise points for the winners
What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A role play for favourite books • Making your own book covers • Colouring books with some writing • Write your own story & role play • A plushie of the logo holding a book
How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help people and have kind manners • An option to give 50 Epraise points to charity • Playtime - If someone has nobody to play with ask them to play/ join in • We learn about it in life skills • PE – helps when we do the same thing, providing games and toys to play together • Getting to play with children in other classes
Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magnets as a prize • Slime/ putty • Key chains • Pokémon cards

- Lights
- Fidget toys/ stretchy fidgets
- Premiership football cards
- Uno
- Rubix cubes
- Football gloves
- Sticky notes
- Gardening set
- 2 options for charity
- Board game time

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- We could have a warm up club in the morning when taxi's are arriving
- Wellbeing club
- Basketball club
- Chequers club
- Separate boys and girls in gymnastics
- Have nurture and primary play football together and older children play separately because sometimes the older children leave us out.

Reward trip ideas: -

- Laser Quest
- Derby Stadium
- Kitty Café

Any other business: -

- More opportunities like the scarecrow competition where we can get a lot of Epraise points

Nurture Class Blue: -

How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?

- Extra playtime as a reward

What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?

- We don't understand what might be hurtful or harmful

As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?

- Dressing up
- Have a fun English lesson with lots of stories
- Watch bedtime stories on Cbeebies

What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?

- Time for quiet reading or story time every day

<p>How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of fun activities with teachers and TA's • The indoor or outdoor clubs help with children's relationships • We celebrate birthdays and achievements in class
<p>Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fidget toys • Colouring books • Cars • Bath time toys • More girly accessories • Picture books
<p>Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff love the prefects help e.g. emptying the recycling bins • The timetabled task for prefects to work in our class is difficult because of the different lunchtimes
<p>Reward trip ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big sensory room • Aquarium • Tiny town
<p>Any other business: - N/A</p>

<p>Nurture Class Yellow: -</p> <p>How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Epraise time for the amount time spent on TT Rockstars e.g. 1 Epraise point for an hour • A certificate • Epraise point rewards • Computer time <p>What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being hacked at home • Being bullied at home • Being stalked at home <p>There are no worries when we are on the computer at school</p>

As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?

- Turn classroom or classroom door into the book cover or scene from a favourite book and then invite other forms to come and visit
- Dress up as a favourite character
- Do an activity from a book e.g., tea party from Alice in Wonderland
- Create a dance routine from a book
- Play a book related board game
- Complete a games-based book e.g., read a page and then choose the next step and then read a bit more and choose the next step. Everyone's journey through the story is different
- Whole school story – choose a character, setting and a few objects at assembly on Monday and then each form is pulled from a hat to decide the order. Each form has the story in this order and writes a paragraph/ creates illustration's together before passing it to the next form. The story is shared at the next assembly and also typed up to be a book/ shared with parents on the iPad book store
- Each form acts out a story and the other forms have to guess what it is

What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?

- Play some reading games
- Have a class book and read this at the start or end of the school day
- Have the library open more often at dinner times and breaktimes
- Read to a school pet or toy sessions/share a book with a toy
- Rota's shared reading sessions with different forms
- More reading opportunities in Tutor Time Plus

How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?

- Teachers and teacher assistants help us to understand when to give people space
- We are given and give others options
- We are taught how to be good friends and also shown this in PSHE and Life Skills
- We do lots activities as teams – in class and interhouse

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?

- Microphones
- Musical instruments
- Drawing books
- A café or pizza hut trip as a form
- Singing and dance session reward trip
- Trampolining session (in school)
- Gymnastics trip

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- We have only been to the football club on a Friday
- We are going to go to the gardening club

Nurture lunch break is very short – some days we are sitting down to eat at 12.10 which leaves us approximately 10 minutes to go to the toilet and go to a club.

- Possible clubs
- Gymnastics or cheerleading club
- Art club
- Reading club
- Indoor room where people can sit quietly to read, draw or write

Reward trip ideas: -

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming • Golf or crazy golf • Bicycle/ walking trip to Sherwood Pines

| **Any other business:** - N/A |

Nurture Class Green: -

| **How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?** |
| - Trophy for top player and medals or certificates for 2nd and 3rd players |
| **What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?** |
| - Online bullying (cyber bullying) - Strangers trying to contact, pretending to be someone they aren't because you can't actually see them |
| **As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?** |
| - Add a mixture of comics to school library - Newsround-related articles (News based) - Keep enjoying library visits - Have a theme e.g. Alice in Wonderland for a whole school approach and a read-a-thon – Children get sponsored for reading chapters/ books to raise money for school |
| **What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?** |
| - Increase reading time - Interhouse challenges linked to story time - PJ's and a good book idea with a drink |
| **How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?** |
| - Epraise – Team work - Breaktime clubs - Positive support - Class projects - Interhouse challenges - Enterprise projects - Life Skills - Partner work - School partnership (e.g. football tournaments/ tough runner) - Gym and dance - Skiing - Reward trips |

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?

- Happy with the Epraise shop prizes – like the point boxes, so you can see everything on offer when choosing.

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

WWW

- Fit to ski (great for fitness)
- Gymnastics group on Tues/Wed
- Sharks and minnows

- Rounders seems less popular as prefer cricket sessions
- Library club is good because you can play chess

Reward trip ideas: -

- Crazy golf
- Indoor/ Outdoor climbing
- Bowling
- Dominoes pizza visit

Any other business: - N/A

Year 7: -

How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?

- As well as certificates issue Epraise points to forms with most TT Rockstars points and individual leaders
- A TT Rockstar trophy – awarded to form group with most TT Rockstar points for the half term

What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?

- Online bullying
- Information being leaked

As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?

- Introduce different mediums – audiobooks, graphic novels etc into school.
- Decorate your form door competition (pick a book/ book character and work as a form group to decorate the door)
- Act out a scene from your favourite book
- World book day activities – Treasure hunts to find different books around the school following clues
- Travelling theatre perform a play
- Food technology activities based around food from books

What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?

- School book club for staff and students
- Upload audiobooks for group reads on school website
- DEAR time and DEAL time on a timetable rotation so it isn't just a task to do in English lessons – or separate TT+ in half (half for TT+ activity and half for a form group picked book read)

How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?

- Updated anti-bullying ambassadors, more of them, and stationed in social times to pick up on inappropriate language, kindness, respect etc
- Peer mentoring for older children to help with social skills

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?

- WII U needs checking as doesn't always work properly, games need checking/ removing/ replacing. Broken remotes need removing
- Connect sand
- Chess board
- More basketballs
- Squishies
- Fidgets
- Door basket ball
- Hoops
- Board games

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- There aren't any Prefect clubs on offer
- Needs advertising so students know which clubs are, who is running it and when.
- The prefects need guidance/ training on what to do so they can be more involved

Reward trip ideas: -

- Laser tag
- Crazy golf
- Soft play

Any other business: - N/A

Year 8: -
How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual leader board • Epraise awards • Rewards for the top 10
What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Random people can say unkind things and can get angry at you when playing online • People can swear at you • Falling out online with other people at school and not sorting it out until back at school can make you feel worried and anxious
As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We like the masked reader game • Dressing up as book characters • Scary book activity • Audio books – listening to stories
What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having a story time – dedicated additional reading time
How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive support • Playing games • Break time clubs • Interhouse • School trips • One to one chats with staff when needed
Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fidget spinners • Breakfast trip
Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More football wanted • More gardening • More gymnastics
Reward trip ideas: -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gulliver's kingdom
Any other business: - N/A

Year 9: -
How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy for 1st place • Medal (2nd and 3rd place) • Pick of the prize box
What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spam message and calls • Falling out • Stalking • Hacking • Doom scrolling – we discussed the amount of time spent on phones/ online games
As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off timetable activities • Acting scenes from books • Escape room • Create a SSSC book (i.e., jokes)
What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More visits to an external library • Audiobook – buy a Yoto for school with headphones • Yoto cards
How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interhouse • Clubs • KS4 options • Theme productions • Reward trips
Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fragrance • Deodorant • Bath bombs • Putty
Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside club – socialise, board games, card games • Art club
Reward trip ideas: -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big magic room for pupils who aren't on positive support • Space centre in Leicester • Laser tag

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Escape rooms

| **Any other business: -** |
| - Taller tables in the dining room to allow our knees to go underneath |

Year 10 Blue: -

| **How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?** |
| - Epraise - Medal - Mini trophy - Sweets/ chocolate |
| **What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?** |
| - If it happens at home, it should be dealt with by parents not involve school |
| **As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?** |
| - Write your own stories - Bring your own book to read |
| **What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?** |
| - School librarian to stamp out each book (like main library) - E books |
| **How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?** |
| - Positive relationships - Teambuilding exercises - Interhouse |
| **Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?** |
| - Deodorant (roll on) - Perfumes - Fishing tackle (floats) - Shower sponges - Vouchers (150 points) - Gift cards (Xbox, PlayStation) |

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring back Badminton and table tennis as very popular • Helping younger children to access clubs
Reward trip ideas: -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magna • Woolaton Hall • Picnic/ Park (Summer months) • Space centre
Any other business: -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People in Year 11 are getting more food than Y10 at lunchtime • Epraise for each day you come to school not just for a full week as some pupils have medical appointments on a regular basis and it doesn't seem fair.

Year 10 Yellow: -
How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medals and badges • Leader board within school • Treats
What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being bullied • Being asked to do something that makes you feel uncomfortable • School feels safer
As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-enact or draw a book cover • Book treasure hunts • Record a story with sound effects • Writing your own mini stories
What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers reading aloud • Audiobooks • Wider range books and levels
How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover it in PSHE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive support • Anti-bullying ambassadors

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?

- Figurines
- Plastic darts
- Fidget toys
- Footballs
- Basket balls
- Colouring books

How is 'form non-school uniform day' sold out?

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- Start an art club
- Share the prefect rota so we know which prefect is in each club

Reward trip ideas: -

- Drayton Manor
- Bowling
- Laser quest
- Greggs
- Ikea
- Crazy golf

Any other business: - N/A

Year 11: -

How could we further celebrate achievement for TT Rockstars?

- Cash prize
- Gift cards
- Reward for the ones who continuously play

What is your biggest concern or worry about being online at home or at school?

- Getting bullied
- Catfished

As 2026 is being celebrated as the National Year of Reading, how do you think our school should use World Book Day to encourage everyone to read more?

- Focus on one book so all the activities are the same not different – a book nobody has read before so it will be more interesting

What activities or changes would you like to see to help promote reading in our school?

- Kindles In school
- Audio books

How do you think we promote and encourage positive relationships in school?

- Clubs
- Interhouse with other kids
- Skiing

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you think needs updating or replacing with new ideas?

- More girly products i.e., sprays

Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?

- Tag rugby to return
- Volley ball

Reward trip ideas: -

- Laser tag
- Golf
- Alton Towers
- Drayton Manor

Any other business: - N/A

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**