



Swanwick School and Sports College

School Council Notes Friday 24th April 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.

Primary Blue: -
Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We like Religious Education; we call it R.E which is nice and short.
Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you? <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) What is your favourite activity? We love dance and cricket.b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities? Dance makes us very happy.
What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Snowman with Live Orchestra
Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We like all the clubs.• We love Sharks and Minnows• More creative clubs would be nice like singing or ballet.
Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board games• Mini board games
Reward trip ideas: - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bizzy beans (soft play)• Swimming
Any other business: - N/A

Primary Yellow: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Religion & Belief
- Religion & Morals

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

- It's good for exercise, energy & balance
- Keeps you healthy & strong
- Helps me sleep better

a) What is your favourite activity?

Rounders, trampolining, making sculptures out of equipment

b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?

Happy and excited, sweaty, overwhelmed (if there is a lot going on)

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Laser tag & reward trips
- Football
- Outdoor lessons
- Learning hero (making paper aeroplanes)

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

- Sometimes if staff are out the clubs change and we don't know
- We would like chess club back
- Split up Shark and Minnows with secondary and primary & nurture because sometimes the older ones are a bit rough

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Lego mystery packs
- Light up balls
- Hot wheel cars
- Hair accessories
- Craft supplies
- Labubu dolls
- Dumpling fidgit toys

We should be able to donate old toys from home to the prize box for other people to buy.

Reward trip ideas: -

- Rock climbing
- Derby stadium
- Aquarium

Any other business: -

- A Swanwick kid plushie has been requested
- We would like to have/ join basketball club
- We would like gymnastics club back
- We would like new football nets for primary yellow.

Nurture Class Blue: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Nurture Blue would like to keep the name 'Understanding the world-RE'

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

- a) **What is your favourite activity?**
Trampolining and dancing
- b) **How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?**
Happy, tired, excited, makes me feel better.

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Going to Tesco on the mini bus
- Gym and dance display

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

- We love football, sharks and minnows and frisbee

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Scented pens
- Glitter gel pens
- Teddy bears
- Soft balls (moon balls etc)
- Dolls

Reward trip ideas: -

- Football stadium tour
- Zoo
- Aquarium
- Park (playground)

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

Nurture Class Yellow: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- We think we should change it from Religious Education to Culture studies

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

In P.E. we do rounders, gym and dance display, yoga, throwing and catching.

a) What is your favourite activity?

Our favourite activity is the Gym and Dance display, rounders and throwing

b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?

It makes us feel happy, good, its exciting.

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

Our favourite trips have been:

- Lea Green
- Harwick Hall
- Theatre trip

We could improve it by going to the theatre more, continue with our life skills trips e.g. café, market stall.

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

- We are happy with the clubs, there is a lot on offer
- We would like more of the football club

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Slime
- Microphone
- Fidgets – pop its ones
- Squishes
- Hama Bead
- Craft Sets
- Small playdough sets

Reward trip ideas: -

- Soft play
- Swimming
- McDonalds

Any other business: -

- Is there any way we could save our Epraise points for a group trip rather than putting into a draw where most of the times we don't win?
- Can we get seats in the dinner hall? They are uncomfortable.

Nurture Class Green: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- 6 pupils voted Religious Education
- 2 pupils voted Culture Studies

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

P.E is important because it keeps us fit and outdoors too. We get to practice team building skills too.

- a) **What is your favourite activity?**
Rounders, football, ball throwing, cricket
- b) **How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?**
Proud, happy, energetic and tired

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Museum of making
- Gem panning at the National Stone Centre

Some children have also really enjoyed residential (France and Lea Green) whilst others are already looking forward to Gulliver's Valley for a residential.

It would be amazing if we all went to a play together like Alton Towers, cinema or Drayton Manor as a whole school.

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

- There is a good mixture of sports at breacktime and lunchtime, as well as gardening and art club. Some children also like the library lunch time sessions.
- Suggestion made to have a BSL breacktime club with prefects leading, alongside Miss Harkin if possible

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Fidgets
- Football (school kits)
- Laptop time

Reward trip ideas: -

- Alton Towers
- Drayton Manor
- Mini-golf
- Rock climbing (Clip 'n' climb)
- Conkers
- Cadbury factory

Any other business: -

- More benches on yard area
- Introduce tag rugby

Year 7: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Voted on values and ethics – 8/12

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

a) What is your favourite activity?

Outdoor activities: rounders, football. It gives us fresh air and a break from classroom learning activities. Hall based P.E is always disrupted with people walking through and not a lot of space.

b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?

Some activities are boring – gymnastics mainly.
Energetic – like running around outside

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Visit to the café in life skills - Helped with handling money and counting, better than a board game scenario in the classroom
- Amber Valley Sports Partnership – enjoyed being against other schools

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

- Trampettes in hall was fun. Could be a year group each day to make it less busy and easier to manage.
- Rounders and cricket aren't very popular, could replace with bench ball or frisbee
- Prefects don't seem to be very present

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Needoh
- Football gloves
- Football shinpads

Reward trip ideas: -

- Zoo trip

Any other business: - N/A

Year 8: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- World values

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

a) What is your favourite activity?

- Gym and dance
- Competitive sports/ sports day

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Tough runner
- Newark air museum
- Swanwicks got talent

We would like more residential like Lea green

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

- We would like to play games like tag (capture the flag)
- Half of the pitch to be used to run around
- Gardening club to come back
- Bocha to be brought back for hot days
- A walking club?

WWW – Football club and sharks & minnows

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Therapy putty
- More fidgets/ squishies
- Lego sets
- Rugby balls
- Lip gloss
- Make up bags

Reward trip ideas: -

- Farm
- Zoo
- Matlock Bath
- Sealife

Any other business: - N/A

Year 9: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Ethics and Philosophy

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

A bit of everything, sports, warm ups, gym and dance

a) What is your favourite activity?

Cricket, tag rugby, warm up team games and trampoline

b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?

Hot, sweaty, happy, excited, tired, energetic and nervous when doing stuff like gym and dance

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Lea green
- Air museum

We would like:

- More residential trips
- More trips in humanity subjects (geography and history)
- A full school trip to the beach
- Try and do 1 trip every half term

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

- A chill out space inside during break time
- Making sure the library is open during lunch times each day

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Lego
- Animal diamond art
- Fidgets

Reward trip ideas: -

- A trip to Broomfield College to look at the animal care section (free trip)
- Theme parks
- Farms
- Monkey forest
- Digger land
- Laser tag

Any other business: -

- More animals in school with a classroom for animal care
- Opportunities for official animals to come into school to interact with pupils e.g., therapy dog, reptiles, small animals like guineapigs.

Year 10 Blue: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Rename to Culture studies

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

Keeps you fit and keeps you healthy

- a) **What is your favourite activity?**
Trampolining, playing fox and tails, bench ball

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Skiing
- Would like to go camping
- Science trip to Magna
- Art trip

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

- Helps with mental health
- Enjoying sharks and minnows
- Handball and table tennis are on at the same time – would like these on different days

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- More fidget toys
- Fishing floats
- Rubik cubes
- Roll on deodorant

Reward trip ideas: -

- Magna
- Gullivers
- Space centre

Any other business: - N/A

Year 10 Yellow: -

Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.

- Keep it as Religious Education

Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?

a) What is your favourite activity?

Bench ball, throwing and catching, rounders and badminton

b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities?

Feels good, like the adrenaline, exhausted but enjoy yourself

What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?

- Hardwick Hall
- Bouldering
- Derby theatre

We would love a science trip to Magma.

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

- We like them – nothing to improve

Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -

- Teacher pens
- Non-school uniform days seem to be sold out
- Stress balls
- Rubix cubes

Reward trip ideas: -

- Clip and climb
- Chatsworth
- Bowling and arcades

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

<p>Year 11: -</p>
<p>Currently on our timetable we study Religious Education, do you want to keep this name or would prefer it to be titled: - values and ethics, culture studies, moral education or something else? Please could each form stipulate their preferences or write their own preferred choice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural education • Culture studies • Culture values
<p>Can you please tell us what do you do in P.E at SSSC and why P.E is important to you?</p> <p>a) What is your favourite activity? Outdoor games and badminton</p> <p>b) How do you feel when completing P.E. activities? Exhausted and warm (depending on what activities it is)</p>
<p>What has been your favourite Cultural Capital opportunity this academic year to date? Is there anything we could do to improve this offer as a school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skiing in France • Faith trail
<p>Feedback on the Prefect/ break and lunchtime clubs? WWW is there anything we could improve on?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rugby to be bought back
<p>Please could you review the Epraise shop and let us know what you would like to see: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lego • Dinner pass • Fidget spinners • Art supplies/ water colour pens
<p>Reward trip ideas: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Park • The deep • Alton Towers • Drayton Manor • Shopping centre
<p>Any other business: -</p> <p>It would be great to have blazers as part of the school uniform like secondary schools.</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