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Dear Parents/ Carers

**Rights Respecting School Council**

Every year, all children have the opportunity to be elected to represent their class on the RRS Council. This stands for the **Rights Respecting School Council**. The job of the Rights Respecting School Council is to help improve access to rights for all children within school and help other children globally to access their rights through raising awareness and campaigning. They will do this by representing their class: taking ideas forward to the council meetings.

***Article 12 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) gives children the right to express their views freely in all matters affecting them and to have those views considered carefully.***

This year the election campaign week will run from **Monday 2nd November** and campaign speeches will be made on Thursday 5th November in the morning. The elections will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 5th November and the results will be announced on Friday **6th November.**

If your child would like to stand to be a RRS Council representative, they will need to be prepared to campaign in the first week back after the half term break. They could make a poster, leaflet or badges as part of their campaign but they must prepare a speech ready for **Thursday 5th November.** In their speech, they will need to tell the class why they would like to be considered, how they will help improve access to rights for all children and what skills they have to represent their class.

Yours Faithfully,

**Mrs Holden (RRS and Eco Schools Lead)**