

Cross-Site School Council Agenda
Monday 16th March 2026
Attendance

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Hoxton Garden Primary School:	Orchard Primary School:	Southwold Primary School:	Adults:
David Raniya Leo JJ Baran Maria Isabelle	Jermaine Chlorine Faith Zach Terry	Eliza Laeth Skylar Alfie	Miss Dagg Miss Wendy

Agenda Items:

Item	Discussion	Action
What issues have you been focusing on during School Council Meetings?	Southwold: Respecting our toilets, Problem and Praise, Anti-bullying Day Orchard: Anti-bullying, British Values, Homework, how to support pupil mindset, Odd Socks Day Hoxton: Art Ambassadors, Attendance, Work week, Anti-bullying	
Events	What events have we organised this year within our schools? Have you been in contact with any outside agencies? The School Council discussed ways in which they can make a positive impact, particularly by organising events to raise money for charity. At Orchard, pupils organised a Harvest Festival, held a hot chocolate sale, and visited the Town Hall. At Southwold, pupils held a "Cosy Day" and organised a Valentine's bake sale. At HG, a local councillor visited for a Q&A session, a trip to the Town Hall is planned for Summer Term 1, and pupils also organised a Valentine's bake sale.	All children to take plan an event in summer term for their chosen charity.

	<p>Hoxton Garden shared their plans with their local councillor – a visit to the town hall to launch an active citizenship award. They are going to organise a litter pick with Anya and Shoreditch Park. We have a meeting to discuss this next week.</p> <p>Which charities have we individually chosen to support? Orchard – Save the Children Southwold – NSPCC Hoxton Garden – Hackney Children and Baby Bank</p>	
<p>Competitions</p>	<p>We discussed the importance of collaborating with other pupil voice groups on competitions, in order to enhance learning and foster greater enthusiasm among pupils.</p> <p>Which competitions have we held this year? Do you have any feedback on what’s gone well, and what could be done differently?</p> <p>Orchard – writing competition Southwold – Chinese New Year poster competition w/ art ambassadors Hoxton – Art competition w/ art ambassadors</p> <p>Are there any further suggestions you have for future competitions? Athletes Day Teachers vs students football comp Art competitions at SW Dancing competition.</p>	<p>Each site to identify a pupil voice group to work together with on a competition in the summer term.</p> <p>Suggested competitions to be discussed locally.</p>
<p>Class Council Meetings</p>	<p>How are Class Council sessions run within your school? Orchard and Hoxton Garden hold their sessions on a fortnightly basis, while Southwold meets weekly. Each session lasts approximately 15 minutes at each site. Hoxton Garden provided feedback suggesting that focusing on a single topic per session allows for more meaningful and purposeful discussion, rather than rushing through multiple agenda items.</p> <p>Are there any suggestions you have? Holding the meetings every week may be useful to ensure they are consistent. HG found that because of events such as World Book Day and Parents Evening, there was a 3-week gap between meetings. All sites agreed that the well being exercise suggestions at the end of the sessions remains purposeful and children look forward to sharing them.</p>	

HG Learning Walk	<p>What is working well in HG classrooms?</p> <p>Southwold and Orchard commented on the high-quality displays that they saw, in the classroom and the corridors. Southwold commented that there was a lovely atmosphere as they were walking around.</p>	
Ideas for future School Council foci	<p>What ideas do you have for future School Council foci?</p> <p>Orchard: We like the idea of a cosy day to raise money for our chosen charity.</p> <p>Hoxton: We are going to take Orchard's initiative of checking that there are paper and pencils available for the problem and praise box, and feeding back to teachers.</p> <p>Southwold: We are going to work with the literacy leads to launch a writing competition.</p>	<p>Miss Dagg to pass suggestions on to Ms Siddique and Ms Ani.</p>
<p>Next Meeting: Summer Term Focus:</p>		