



St John Vianney's Primary School

St. John Vianney's is a vibrant, welcoming community. With Christ as our centre, we strive to develop the full potential of each person.

Student Representative Council Policy

Purpose:

The purpose of this Policy is to outline the process of election of the Student Representative Council (SRC) members and the role and responsibilities of the SRC within the school.

Rationale:

St John Vianney's Primary School acknowledges the importance of leadership within the student body. The establishment of a Student Representative Council provides an avenue for students to express views and become part of the decision making process with regard to issues that affect the student body. It also provides an opportunity for students to take on leadership roles.

Eligibility:

Students eligible for election to the SRC are from Grades Three to Six.

Representatives:

One male and one female student per class per semester from Grades Three to Six.
One to two staff members.

Elections:

Elections are held at the beginning of each school semester. Classes hold a *Secret Ballot* and the male and female student per class with the most votes is appointed to the council. In the case of multi-age classes, classes will be split into grade levels for the purposes of voting. Students cannot be re-elected in the same year.

Meetings:

Meetings will be held approximately 3 times per term i.e. Weeks 2, 5 and 8.
Class meetings will be held prior to these meetings so an agenda can be set.
Meetings will be held in an available room at the school during class time.
A staff representative will be present at all council meetings.
Minutes will be taken and presented to the leadership team for discussion at their next meeting.

Roles:

Roles include but are not limited to organising:

- Social events
- Fundraising for charity
- Improvements at the school

SRC representatives are expected to bring new ideas, issues and proposed solutions to the notice of school staff. Representatives are also expected to consult with peers during class meetings and to represent the views of grades with no official representation on the council through being open to informal suggestions and comments.

Badges:

Elected SRC representatives will be presented with a badge to wear for the duration of their term and their participation will be recognised on the school report.