

# Waunarlwydd Primary School

Swansea

“ Having an active School Council makes life much easier for the staff. It creates a calm, happy atmosphere and encourages learning.” Ruth Davies

**The fact that Waunarlwydd School Council has been running for over eleven years speaks volumes for how much it is valued, respected and supported.**

The big difference with this Council is the way it has become part and parcel of everyday life at the school. Its influence is central to the decision making process, and the benefits it brings to the school and the pupils has opened the eyes and minds of everyone associated with the school.

The pupils realise that they have a voice, an opportunity to have a say and to get their opinions heard and respected. Yet with that voice comes responsibility, and through the work of the Council, the pupils have learnt to recognise the importance of good behaviour and appreciate the values of active participation.

Staff and governors also extol the virtue of having an active Council to help them view issues from a different perspective – through the eyes of the pupils – and find solutions and answers that best meet pupils' needs.



“It's important that we get asked how we think our school could be improved.”

Council member

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