Election Pack

What do the School Council do?
The School Council takes part in lots of activities including:
• Listening to the views and concerns of other pupils;
• Representing these concerns to teachers
• Coming up with ideas to help improve the school and make decisions;
• Thinking of ways to contribute locally and globally;
• Fundraise for La Petite Ecole Bilingue and charities;
• Having the responsibility for a budget;

Being a school councillor is a very responsible position as you have to have a lot of sensible ideas, explain your ideas to others and sometimes have to do things in your lunch times. However, it is your chance to play an important part in our school. You may feel a little nervous about putting yourself up for election but it is exciting to see what happens when people share their ideas so be brave!

How to be a candidate:

Step 1: Read the statements and tick True or False for each one.

Step 2: Write a short speech. You can use the ideas below or you can use your own ideas. Make sure you end your speech with *Thank you for listening to me.*

Step 3: Learn your speech, practice reading it at home.

Step 4: On election day do your speech and listen to other people’s speech.

Step 5: When people have voted do not get upset if you did not get elected. We will have new elections next year. You will get your chance next time.

Could you be a member of the School Council?
Read these statements. If you agree with them, you will probably be a great school councillor. Remember you do not have to agree with all the statements. The school council is a team where people with different skills work together. You can use the statements to help you write your speech.

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|  | True | False |
| I like to think about ways to make our school even better |  |  |
| I can explain my ideas to others |  |  |
| I can encourage people to explain their ideas |  |  |
| I am good at listening to other people’s ideas |  |  |
| When I take part in a discussion I think about what other people say |  |  |
| I have a good memory |  |  |
| I can take notes |  |  |
| I like writing news for the school |  |  |
| I like organising events like cake sales or competitions |  |  |
| I like designing posters |  |  |
| I don’t mind missing some of my lunch time play to attend meetings once a month |  |  |
| I am a good role model |  |  |

Sentence ideas for your speech

I would like to become a school councillor because…

You should vote for me because…

When I am a school councillor I will make sure that……

If you vote for me I will…

I think that the School Council could be a good way to improve the school, for example we could…….