

Benefits of School Councils

There are many reasons why you should join a school council. Some of the benefits are:

- ▶ being involved in decision making that affects the running of the school
- ▶ raising concerns that affect you and your friends
- ▶ linking with other pupils, teachers and governors
- ▶ having a say in what happens/takes place in your school and classroom.

Islamic Guidance

فَبِمَا رَحْمَةٍ مِّنَ اللَّهِ لِنْتَ لَهُمْ وَلَوْ كُنْتَ
فَطَّاءٌ غَالِيظًا لَّفَنَفَضُوا مِنْ حَوْلِكَ
فَاعْفُ عَنْهُمْ وَاسْتَغْفِرْ لَهُمْ وَشَاوِرْهُمْ فِي
الْأَمْرِ فَإِذَا عَزَمْتَ فَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ إِنَّ
اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَوَكِّلِينَ

[O Prophet Muhammad ﷺ] 'It is by the mercy of God that you are gentle with people; had you been harsh and hard-hearted they would have run away from you. So pardon them and seek forgiveness for them; and seek their advice on issues and once you have made a decision then put your trust in God, indeed God loves the trusting.' [Surat Alee Imran 3:159]

وَالَّذِينَ اسْتَجَابُوا لِرَبِّهِمْ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ
وَأَمْرُهُمْ شُورَى بَيْنَهُمْ وَمِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ يُنْفِقُونَ

'And those who answer the call of their Lord and establish prayer, and who conduct their affairs by consultation, and who spend of what We have given to them.' [Surat al-Shura 42:38]

Imam Ali Ibn Abi Talib asked Prophet Muhammad ﷺ 'O' Messenger! If we have a matter in which we do not find a command or prohibition then what is your advice? He replied, Consult the righteous wise people and do not depend upon individual opinions.' (Tabrani)

'People are equal to one another in rights.' (Nahj al-Sa`adah)

Feedback

Lesson Title: School Council and Shura

Name:

Madrasah/Organisation:

Today I have learnt about:

As a result of this lesson I have learnt that a good Muslim should:

I am going to follow up this topic in my home/school/community by:

Follow-up Worksheet

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Name:

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Tasks:

Find out who the leader of your local council is.

Your madrasah has been given a £500 donation for the decoration of the madrasah. Consult and decide together how you will spend it. How and who will you consult with, in order to ensure a collective decision?

Write your answer here.