



# STUDENT VOICE

young people's voices need to be included in key decisions; the design, set-up, delivery and evaluation of school initiatives.

## what does it look like?

- ✓ ensure students are aware of student voice running throughout the school and all opportunities for them to engage
- ✓ pupil surveys
- ✓ pupil check in/out
- ✓ encourage students to create projects e.g. Pay It Forward grants
- ✓ feedback/worry boxes
- ✓ involve students in decisions about school initiatives e.g. setting up safe spaces, running wellbeing groups, events, etc.
- ✓ celebration assemblies led by students

- what do we want to do?
- who is it for?
- what do we need to do?
- why/how will it help?
- how will it be operated and managed?
- what should it be called?

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## where, when, how?

- students should be consulted regularly
- meet at specific times?
- fortnightly/termly meetings?
- take meeting minutes?
- share outcomes with students?

## top tips

- have a specific member of staff responsible for supporting student voice.
- be clear what students can be involved in.
- ensure ideas are always listened to and seen through.
- always explain if an idea cannot be undertaken and why.
- introduce creative ways for all young people to contribute to decisions.
- involve young people in creating, delivering and evaluating training, and continuing professional development.

