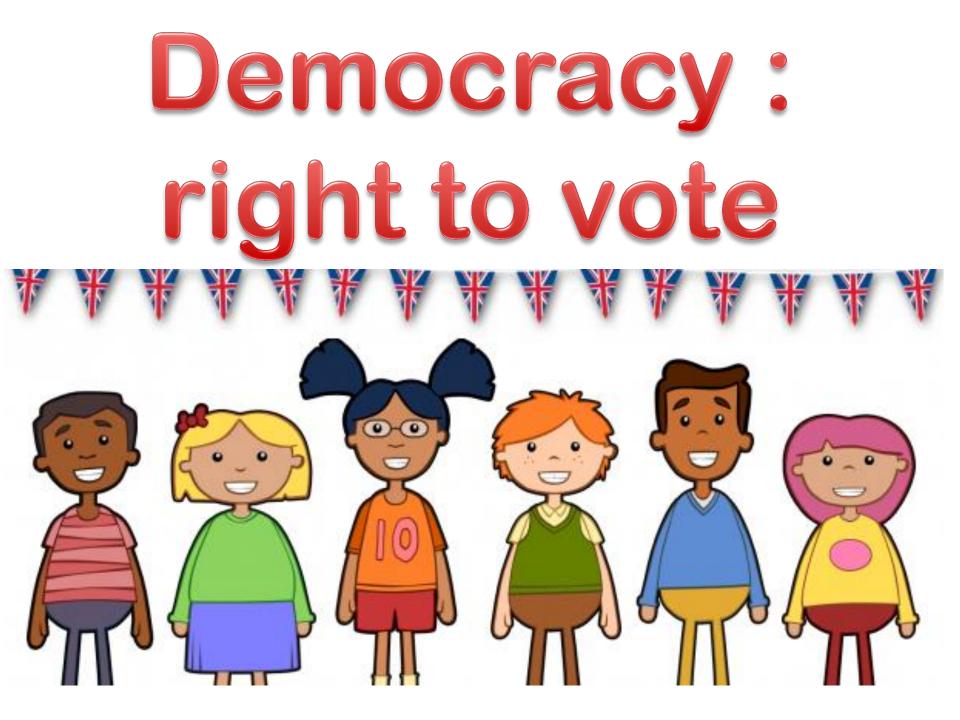
When the whole world is silent, even one voice becomes powerful.

- MALALA YOUSAFZAI

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Human Rights Act 1998Article 1

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.



Some of your human rights include:

- Freedom from torture and very cruel treatment (Article 3)
- The right to liberty and security (Article 5)
- The right to have your own thoughts, religion and beliefs (Article 9)
- The right to privacy and family life (Article 8)
- Freedom of expression and opinions (Article 10)
- The right to meet people and gather in public places (Article 11)
- The right to an education (Article 2 of Protocol 1)
- The right to vote in elections once you reach the voting age (Article 3 of Protocol 1)

Human Rights Act

Who works in this building? What do they do?

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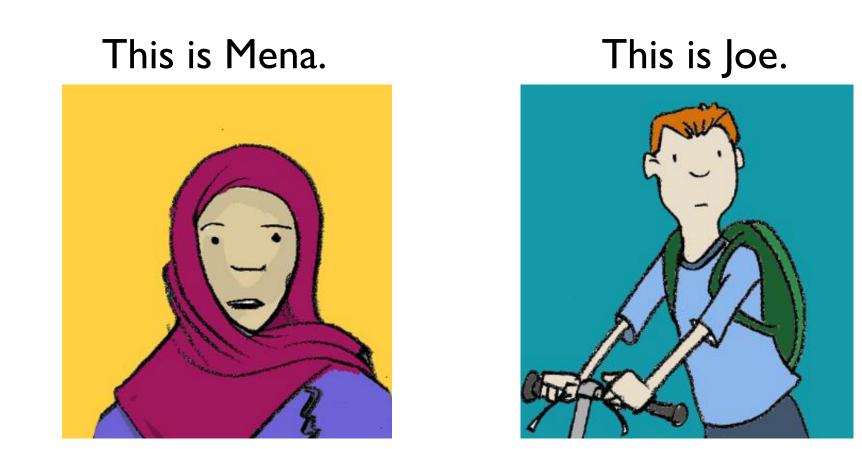
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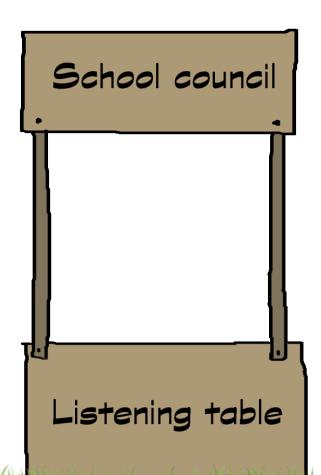


How does it work in the UK?

Find out about Darliament



Mena and Joe are members of their school council. It is a very important job because they represent the views of their class. The school council helps to make their school the best it can be.



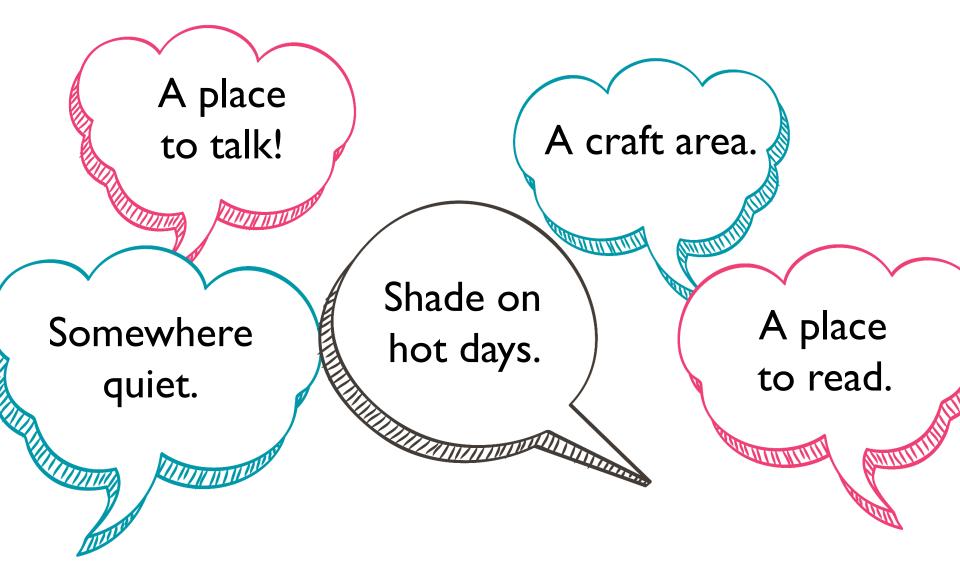
Every week Mena and Joe set up a listening table at playtime.

Their friends talk to them about their problems and their ideas to make the school better. At the next school council meeting Miss Wai told the children they had be given £100 to spend on playtime equipment.

As members of the school council you need to find out how your friends would like us to spend the money.



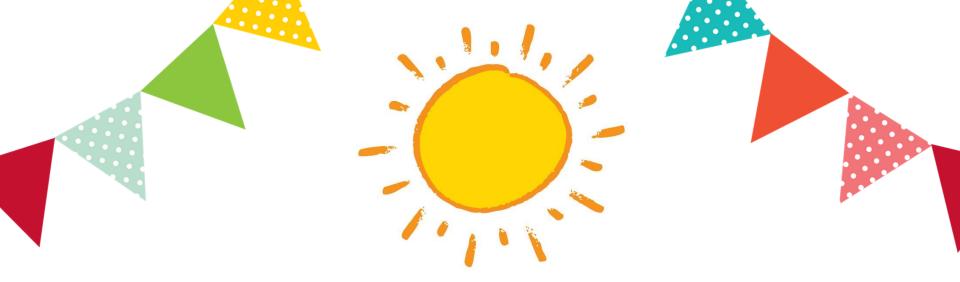
As the week went on, Mena and Joe started to hear some new ideas.





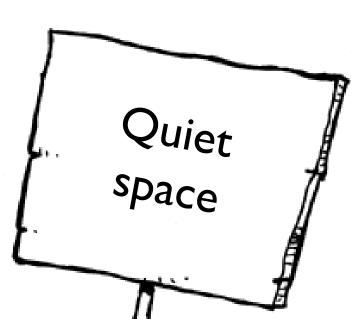
The children were worried. They had represented their friends ideas but they were not all about buying new equipment.





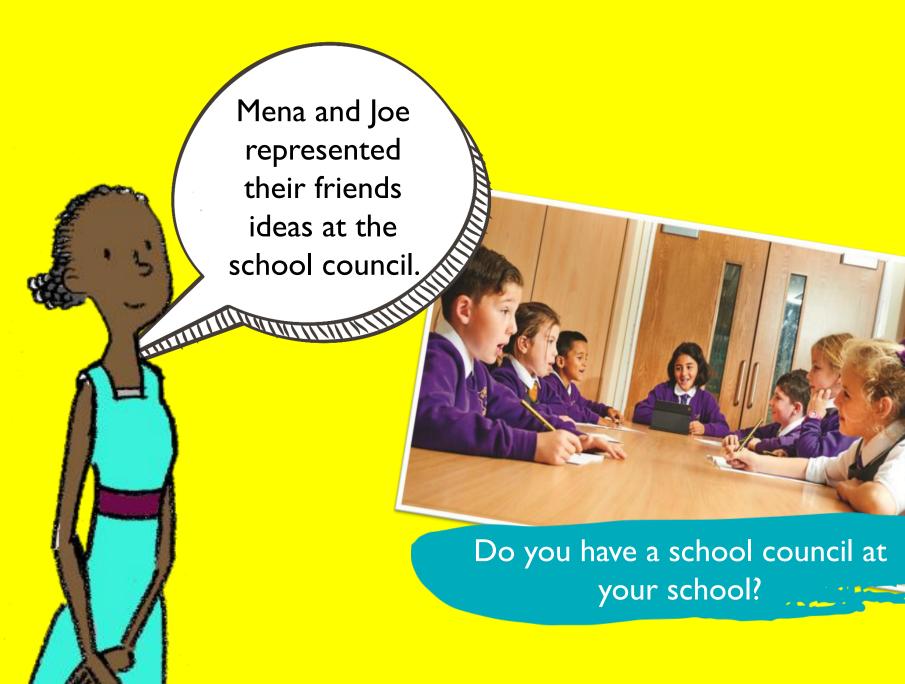
Two weeks later, a new quiet space opened in the playground. There were sun shades and activity boxes.

Everyone was excited!



Mena and Joe thought the new quiet space was fantastic!

Mr Landrum said "I was able to spend the money on the things your friends really wanted because you represented their views so well!"



At Parliament, MPs represent their local community. There are 650 MPs in the House of Commons!

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