

# 51 HCSC INFORMATION BOOKLET



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# #WhyCouncil

Here in Council,  
**We don't just do.**  
**We do good.**



The Hwa Chong Students' Council has marked her Golden Jubilee milestone as the 50th HCSC pass over the baton to the 51st HCSC. From its inception, the Students' Council has been dedicated to addressing the interests and needs of the students, embodying the school's vision to "**Live with Passion and Lead with Compassion**", serving Hwa Chong with an unwavering spirit and honour.

Unified as **One Council**, we seamlessly operate with 5 distinct Standing Committees and orchestrate 7 Working Events. Undoubtedly, Council isn't always a picturesque scene of sunshine and rainbows. However, the friendships and experience gained throughout the journey will continue to refine your **#WhyCouncil**, the vital threads that weave the intricate fabric of our collective success.

For those seeking a deeper understanding of HCSC, this comprehensive 20-page Information Booklet is perfect to grasp the essence of what is Council. However, if you crave a more personal insight, don't hesitate to approach any of our friendly Councillors and inquire about their unique experiences!

# 51st HCSC



The theme for the 51st HCSC Elections is **Embark**, which means “beginning”. It aptly depicts how Elections mark the beginning of a new journey for Candidates.

As you **embark** on this journey, we hope that you will seek to explore the boundless opportunities that Council and even others which Hwa Chong provides.

This year’s Orientation theme is “Valiance”, and we hope that you will be valiant in your campaigning efforts should you decide to sign up, and take that leap forward to **embark** on this council journey.

As you navigate through this path, we hope that you forge your adventures not as individuals, but as **One Council**.

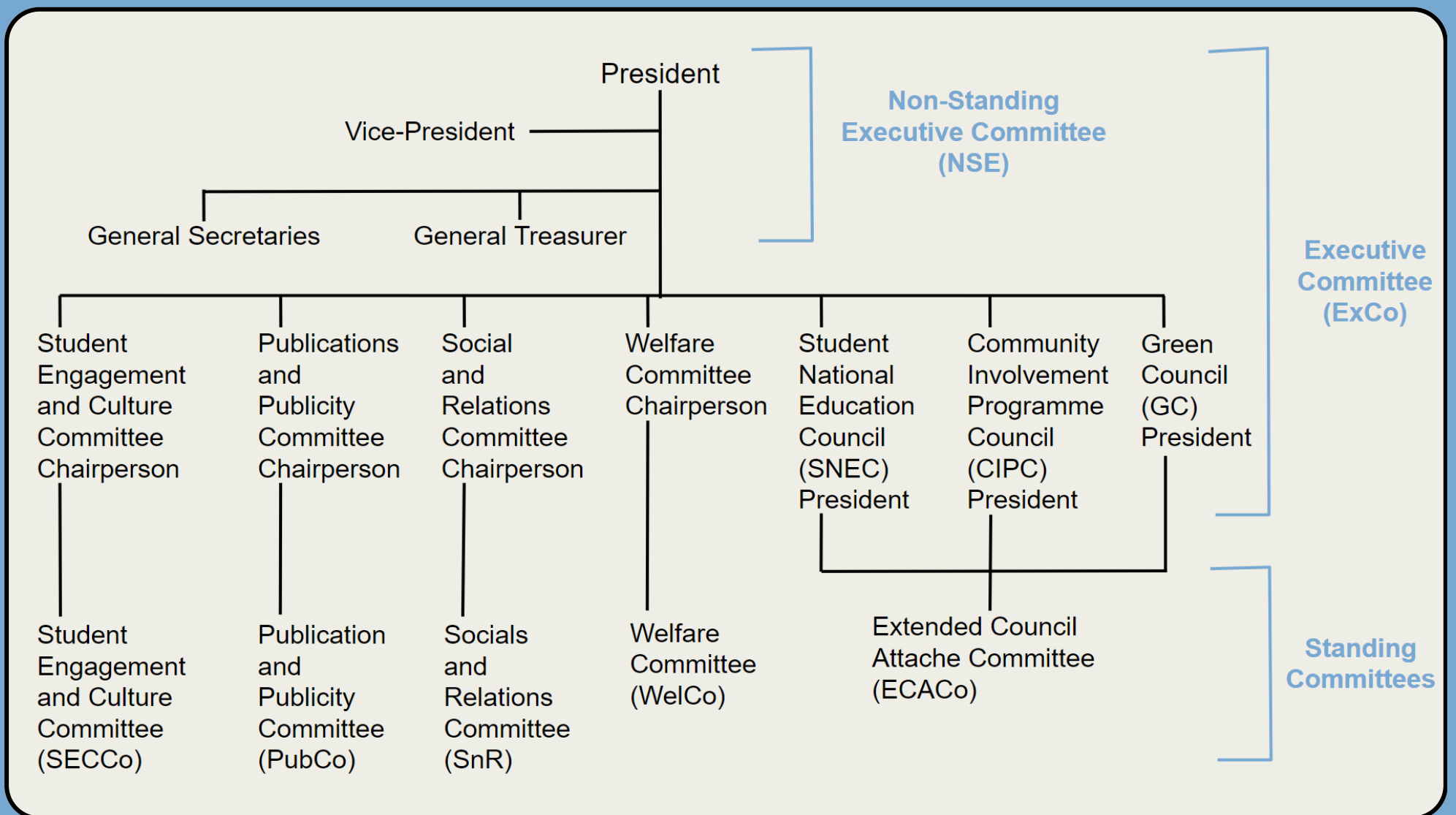
Elections will not be easy but it will be worth it as long as you believe in yourself and put in your best foot forward. All the best!

Cheers,  
50th Hwa Chong Students’ Council Elections Committee





# Council Structure



The Hwa Chong Students' Council comprises 5 Standing Committees in which all Councillors have a permanent position and primarily serve in that job scope for his/her entire year in Council.

In addition, he/she will be part of 2 Working Committee to plan, organise and carry out the 7 main Council events, one in the first Council term (May – December) and the other in the second Council term (January – May). Members of the Executive Committee as well as Faculty Heads, Deputy Faculty Heads, and Extended Council Presidents are exceptions and will only be in 1 Working Committee. However, work sessions organised by each Working Committee in preparation for the various events must be attended by all Councillors.

You may visit our Council website at <https://www.hcunite.com> for further details!

# Executive Committee (ExCo)

The Executive Committee comprises the four Standing Committee Chairpersons, the Non-Standing Executive Committee, and the Extended Council Presidents. They provide the overall leadership and direction for the Council. The ExCo works together to ensure the cohesiveness of the entire Council.

## Non-Standing Executive Committee (NSE)

Position	No.	Job Scope
President	1	As the head of the Council, he/she is accountable to the school administration and student body on all Council matters. Serves as an attaché to ECACo.
Vice-President	1	Runs the Council along with the President. Heads the Council's Discipline Committee and serves as an attaché to a Standing Committee.
General Secretaries	2	Takes charge of all administrative matters of the Council, including official Council correspondence. Also liaises with the secretaries of Standing and Working Committees. Part of the Discipline Committee and serve as an attaché to a Standing Committee.
General Treasurer	1	Arranges for the financing and budgeting for all Council projects. Also oversees the work of the treasurers of Standing and Working Committees. He/She is also a member of the Discipline Committee and serves as an attaché to the Welfare Committee.



# Standing Committees

Each of the Standing Committees takes charge of an important aspect of the Council's job scope. Every Councillor will have a post in one of the Standing Committees and will work in that job scope for his/her entire year in Council.

**Student Engagement and Culture Committee (SECCo)**



**Total: 11**

**Welfare Committee (WelCo)**



**Total: 9**

**Extended Council Attache Committee (ECACo)**



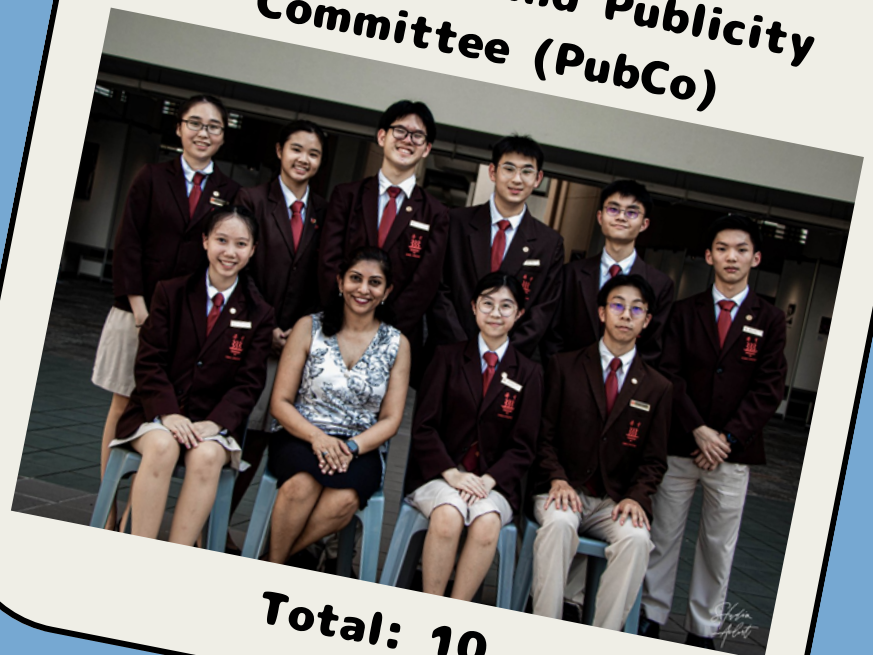
**Total: 7**

**Socials and Relations Committee (SnR)**



**Total: 11**

**Publications and Publicity Committee (PubCo)**



**Total: 10**



# Student Engagement and Culture Committee (SECCo)

**Songs, Dances, and Cheers! SECCo's primary focus is to improve school spirit and develop a sense of unity and camaraderie between our fellow Hwa Chongians. SECCo not only supports fellow sports CCAs during NSGs season but also sing, dance, and cheer during mass events like Mid Autumn Festival. SECCo consistently strives to embody our school's rich culture of SODACHE alongside building a sense of belonging in Hwa Chong through our different initiatives!**

Position	No.	Job Scope
Chairperson	1	Oversees all SECCo activities. In charge of spearheading and implementing new initiatives that strengthen the school spirit and maintaining school culture. Liaises with various Working Committees for SODACHE sessions.
Secretary-Treasurer	1	Assists the Chairperson in his/her duties. In charge of administrative and monetary matters. Oversees the BPA booking system and maintenance of the BPA.
Song I/Cs	2	Teaches the freshmen and leads the school in the college and school songs at major school events and flag raising. Responsible for creating and revamping all song related media and the HCUnite Spotify account.
Dance I/Cs	2	Teaches the freshmen and leads the school in the mass dances at major school events. Responsible for creating, maintaining and revamping SODACHE dances and other dance related performances. Choreographs the Batch Dance for Orientation.
Cheer I/Cs	2	Teaches the freshmen and leads the school in cheers at major school events such as during NSG season.
Student Engagement Coordinators (SNCs)	2	Responsible for initiatives and ad-hoc events that showcases the school culture or boosts school spirit. Works with the rest of the committee to incorporate aspects of SODACHE into their initiatives and events.
NSE Attaché	1	In charge of monitoring the discipline of the committee as well as acting as an advisor to the workings of the committee.

# Welfare Committee (WelCo)

WelCo champions the welfare of the student population with its heart and dedication. With a focus on ensuring that the needs of the student population are well taken care of, WelCo strives to create a conducive learning environment for all Hwa Chongians. WelCo also takes ownership of the maintenance and upgrading of the Common Room, a space that is open to all students. We hope to make Hwa Chong feel like a second home for all and work hard to ensure that everyone's needs are taken care of. Because in WelCo, "Your Welfare Is Our Affair"!

Position	No.	Job Scope
Chairperson	1	Oversees all activities within WelCo, and represents the committee in communicating with the school administration and other committees within Council.
Secretary-Treasurer	1	Assists the Chairperson in his/her duties. In charge of administrative matters for the entire committee, as well as accounting of sales and budgeting for the various initiatives.
WelCo Member	6	Each member will be allocated to initiatives of their choice, so everyone has the flexibility to work on areas that they are passionate about. All initiatives are focused on improving the welfare of the student body and making school more enjoyable for everyone. Moreover, every WelCo member is in charge of the upkeep of the Common Room and Welfare Room. Everyone in the committee is free to suggest any improvements or ad-hoc initiatives to be implemented to serve the students and take care of their well-being.
NSE Attaché	1	In charge of monitoring the discipline of the committee as well as to act as an advisor to the workings of the committee.

# Publications and Publicity Committee (PubCo)

Through its team of 10 creative individuals, PubCo serves as a link between the student body and the Students' Council, publicising various Council events and initiatives to the student body. With its main aim of increasing communication with the student body, the Students' Council and the school administration, the committee undertakes the responsibilities of managing HCUnite, the Council Room board, as well as other in-house media productions or video series. In addition, the committee also strives to promote a common image for the Council, and thereby for the College.

Position	No.	Job Scope
Chairperson	1	Oversees all activities within PubCo, and represents the committee in communicating with other committees within Council.
Secretary-Treasurer	1	Assists the Chairperson in his/her duties. In charge of administrative tasks for the committee, as well as managing the HCUnite Instagram Account.
PubCo Members	7	Play administrative and creative roles in managing the HCUnite platforms by creating and processing posts for Working and Standing Committees, thus taking charge of the overall aesthetic direction of the Council. They also engage with the student population through posts and video series on our social media platforms, keep alumni updated on our initiatives and changes, and provide them with a platform for information and feedback.
NSE Attaché	1	In charge of monitoring the discipline of the committee as well as acting as an advisor to the workings of the committee.



# Social and Relations Committee (SnR)

SnR seeks to be the eyes and ears of the council, championing grassroots efforts that connect with the student body. Through building bonds and promoting interactions with the student body, the committee strives to inculcate a unified sense of belonging to the school across all domains, ensuring that Hwa Chong continues to be an inviting home for all. By extension, the committee spearheads external communications with Councils from other institutions, laying the grounds for prospective collaborations to further vitalise the experience of students in Hwa Chong.

Position	No.	Job Scope
Chairperson	1	Oversees all SnR activities, such as Post Orientation Party (POP) and Town Hall. In charge of maintaining good relations amongst Faculties and with other educational institutions. Acts as an impartial body in making decisions regarding Faculty matters.
Secretary-Treasurer	1	Assists the Chairperson in his/her duties. In charge of administrative tasks for the committee.
Faculty Heads	4	Leads the Faculty Committee in organising Faculty events and initiatives such as Introduction to Faculty. The Faculty Heads work as a single unit to promote bonding and maintain good relations between Faculties.
Deputy Faculty Heads	4	Leads the Faculty Committee alongside the Faculty Head. In charge of maintaining good relations between Faculties.
NSE Attaché	1	In charge of monitoring the discipline of the committee as well as acting as an advisor to the workings of the committee.

# Extended Council Attaché Committee (ECACo)

ECACo comprises 6 Councillors who serve as attachés to the CIP Council, Green Council and Students' National Education Council. Each of these attachés will serve in both the Students' Council and their respective Councils, acting as a bridge to facilitate better communication and collaboration between both leadership bodies. ECACo members will also oversee all the Council's Working Events to ensure that they can be better aligned to achieve the tenets of the three Extended Councils.

Position	No.	Job Scope
Students' National Education Council President	1	Oversees all matters of the Students' National Education Council (SNEC). Responsible for directly liaising between the Students' Council and other members of the SNEC. In charge of increasing the involvement of Singaporean heritage and national education in the Students' Council's projects and events.
SNEC Vice President	1	Assists the SNEC President in his/her duties.
Green Council President	1	Oversees all matters of the Green Council (GC). Responsible for directly liaising between the Students' Council and other members of the GC. In charge of enhancing the environmental-friendliness of the Students' Council's projects and events.
GC Vice President	1	Assists the GC President in his/her duties.
CIP Council President	1	Oversees all matters of CIP Council (CIPC). Responsible for directly liaising between the Students' Council and other members of the CIPC. In charge of increasing the involvement of the community in the Students' Council's projects and events.
CIPC Vice President	1	Assists the CIPC President in his/her duties.
NSE Attaché	1	Taken on by the President. In charge of monitoring the discipline of the committee as well as to act as an advisor to the workings of the committee.

# Working Committees

The Working Committees each take charge of one of the 7 major events that Council organises in its term. Working Committees will undertake the organisation of the event, and some events will have sub-committees that work on one aspect during work sessions. During the period of his/her working event, the Working Committee Chairperson is in charge of the Council activities.

Each Councillor will be in 2 Working Committees, 1 in each Council term, apart from the ExCo and Faculty Heads. Each working event will have at least 1 ExCo member attaché.

The General Treasurer will be the Prom Treasurer and the President will be a member of EleCo.

**Term 1 working events:**

- i. Teachers' Day (TD);
- ii. Mid-Autumn Festival (MAF);
- iii. Senior Promenade (Prom);
- iv. Open House (OH).

**Term 2 working events:**

- i. Orientation (O1);
- ii. Chinese New Year (CNY);
- iii. Elections (EleCo).

Councillors will be allocated into the various Working Committees by the ExCo, but their role within the Working Committee itself will be done by the elected Working Committee Chairperson. Councillors will have the ability to state their preferences, but the allocations of the Working Committee will be determined by the ExCo. For example, a Councillor may be allocated to be a part of the Teachers' Day Working Committee by the ExCo, and may be placed in the Programmes subcommittee for the event by the elected Chairperson of the Teachers' Day Working Committee.



# Teachers' Day (TD)

**Chairperson: Emelin Neo Jia Rou**

The inaugural event organised by every batch is Teachers' Day (TD). Despite its smaller scale in comparison to other occasions, TD not only establishes a precedent for how upcoming events should be organised and carried out but also acts as a foundational building block for forging more robust connections within the Students' Council in preparation for upcoming events. We aspire for upcoming cohorts to consistently elevate the quality of Teachers' Day celebrations, emphasising that the overarching objective is to reciprocate the dedication of our educators and ensure they sense our profound gratitude and acknowledgment.





# Mid-Autumn Festival (MAF)

Chairperson: Lua Wei An

MAF celebrations has been one of Hwa Chong's longest standing traditions, and is one of the largest events on the Council calendar. As the equivalent of Homecoming for many generations of alumni, all Hwa Chongians, past and present, are invited to gather, reconnect and celebrate our school's rich history and culture through a nostalgic night of song, dance, and cheer. The night eventually culminates in the spectacular MAF Light Up. It is a time of tradition, reunion, and reminiscence for staff, alumni, and students alike. Booths are also set up by the Hwa Chong Alumni Association (HCAA), the Hwa Chong Junior College Alumni (HCJCA) and the College Parent Support Group (PSG), where attendees can play and enjoy traditional Mid-Autumn Festival games and food such as 猜灯谜 (riddle guessing) and mooncakes. MAF's symbolic value to both the current Council and preceding batches is immense.





# Senior Promenade (Prom)

**Chairperson: Nicole Yong Xue Min**

Senior Prom is truly a highly anticipated event. After many months of hard work and preparations for the A-levels, each year's graduating batch is always excited for their night of Prom magic. As the only external event by Council, organising Prom provides Councillors with the opportunity to collaborate with several external parties, manage various stakeholders, and use their creativity, all to prepare the perfect Prom for our seniors. The programme lineup featured enticing performances, lucky draws, photo booths and title nominations. Additionally, we continued the tradition of collating, designing and printing a Prom magazine for the entire batch. A key highlight of one's schooling experience, this event's greatest value lies in being a celebration of each batch's Hwa Chong journey.





# Open House (OH)

Chairperson: Bek Joon Hao

OH is one of Hwa Chong's largest public-facing events that shape its branding and reputation. To showcase our school's picturesque campus that encompasses the “tradition meets modernity” philosophy while exuding the energy of a community that epitomises the 'Live with Passion and Lead with Compassion' ethos, OH welcomes prospective C1 students from all across Singapore every year to explore, engage, and embrace the essence of what makes being part of the Hwa Chong family truly exceptional! OH is the event that allows us to truly put forth everything we hold dear about Hwa Chong and invites everyone to discover our unique 'why' by creating a vibrant and inviting atmosphere with our grand decorations and exciting programmes. OHCo members will need to learn how to work together with many external and internal stakeholders - juggling various interests and visions to realise the crucial goal of celebrating our identity, showcasing our passion, and inviting all to join in the Hwa Chong experience.





# Orientation (O1)

**Chairperson: Ng Aaron**

As one of the larger-scale working events, planning and executing O1 requires continuous dedication and perseverance. Being the first point of interaction with the new batch of C1s, it is imperative to execute the event well as this is the first impression that the new batch of students will have on the school and the Council. Nevertheless, it is one of the most meaningful events where we can work with schoolmates from other Extended Councils and Faculty Committees to make these moments the best time of their College life. O1 provides a plethora of opportunities for us to reach out and inspire our juniors, helping to forge unforgettable memories for them and ourselves.





# Chinese New Year (CNY)

Chairperson: Keon Tan Kai Eik

As an educational institution grounded in our Chinese cultural identity, Hwa Chong celebrates Chinese New Year (CNY) annually to give students, and staff alike, the opportunity to celebrate this traditional event with their second home. CNYCo is thus in charge of immersing students in the auspicious and happy-go-lucky spirit associated with the festivities. We bring the liveliness and ambience we often associate with family straight to Hwa Chong. Together with our programmes and decorations, students are able to soak in the festive spirit with the ones who matter the most.





# Elections (EleCo)

**Chairperson: Toh Yu Qi**

After a year-long fruitful Council journey, the 50th Students' Council now passes the baton to the 51st, a group endowed with the courage and capabilities to continue the legacy of serving the school and being the voice of the student body. As the longest working event in Council, from tea sessions and campaigning to voting and camp, the 50th will unravel the intricacies of Council life, imparting essential values and traditions to the newly elected Councillors, also known as 'Councillor-Elects.' This journey provides an opportunity for Elects to not only appreciate the responsibilities they are about to undertake, but also to delve into self-discovery and forge connections with their batchmates. It is the time for them to uncover their personal #WhyCouncil, as they embark on the 51st Council term.

