



Student Leadership Policy

RATIONALE

As a part of their learning students are offered the opportunity to develop their leadership skills. At Knox Park Primary School we foster a leadership culture with all students, specifically targeting Year 5 and 6 students as they move into and through their final year of Primary Education. Leadership is demonstrated through the actions of people, and can be demonstrated without the need of a title. There are many Leadership positions made available to students with a particular interest in developing their skills.

AIMS

The key principles of student leadership are:

- To provide opportunities for students to play a significant and effective role in the decision making processes of our school.
- Encourage all students to act in accordance with and model the school values of Tolerance, Resilience and Personal Best.
- Encourage student leaders to model responsible behaviours and support the development of a positive school culture
- To provide an opportunity for students to become skilled in leadership.

IMPLEMENTATION

- In Term 4 School Leadership will work with teachers across the school to outline the whole school leadership positions available for the following year. These may include but are not limited to; School Captains, House Captains, Sports Captains, Library Captains, Green Team Captains, E-Learning Captains.
- Grade 5 Students will be asked to write and deliver a speech outlining their interest in a position of leadership, they may choose to nominate for more than one position.
- Candidates will deliver their speech to students across Grades 4, 5 and 6.
- Students will have the opportunity to vote for their chosen captains.
- Leadership and Teachers will discuss student applications and will have the final decision in the allocation of Student Leadership positions.
- School Captains and House Captains will be selected from the Grade 6 cohort.
- Student Leaders will undergo a 5 week trial period at the beginning of the year before being formally presented with their leadership badges.
- The school will run a leadership course for all Grade 5 students in Term 4 outlining leadership expectations and preparing students for the application process.
- School Leadership has the right to review and revoke captaincy in the instance of a leader not adhering to leadership expectations.

Student Leadership Role Statement

- Be an exemplary role model at all times.
- Actively participate and assist in the running of school events and activities.
- Liaise with Principal, Assistant Principal and teacher representatives on behalf of all the students at Knox Park Primary School.
- Represent the school on official occasions.
- Public Speaking at assemblies, special functions and ceremonies.
- Welcome guests to Knox Park Primary School and participate in school tours.

EVALUATION:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

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