

Seaholme Primary School Student Leaders Policy

Rationale:

- The appointment of Student Leaders, House Captains and House Vice Captains is consistent with our school's leadership development practices, provides a focus for student representation, and promotes our school positively to school visitors and on important occasions.

Aims:

- Two male and female student leaders and eight school house captains and vice-captains will be selected each year to liaise on behalf of the student body, to promote the school to the community and to present as role models for their fellow students.

Implementation:

- Two year six male and female student leaders (four in total)will be selected by the school's staff in the first term of each school year. Staff to refer to principal for final selection
- Eight year 6 children will be will be elected by all year three to six students as the house captains and vice captains
- All students who wish to be considered for captain or vice-captain positions must formally nominate themselves using the nomination form available.
- Nominees must present a brief address to all students from year three to six indicating why they should be elected.
- A formal election will occur for students in Yr. 3-6, and will be coordinated by teaching staff.
- Staff will refer the election results to the principal, who will consider the election results and make the final appointments.
- The principal will announce the election results at an assembly of the whole school.
- Elected student leaders , house captains and vice-captains will be required to make a brief victory speech, will receive badges, and will be photographed for the school newsletter and other purposes.
- Captains and vice-captains will undertake leadership training.
- Captains and vice-captains will chair Student Representative Council meetings, will represent student opinions when proposing suggestions about the school, and will represent the student body as a whole when meeting visiting dignitaries, at ANZAC ceremonies and on similar formal occasions. House captains shall be responsible for sportsroom borrowing and associated sporting events.
- Student Leaders, house captains and vice-captains can be removed from duty by the principal for misconduct. Should this unlikely event occur, the principal will appoint a replacement office bearer who will be presented with the appropriate badge, leadership opportunities, and responsibilities.

Evaluation:

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

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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