

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Rationale:

- The appointment of school 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:

- A male and female school captain will be elected by students at our school 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:

- A year six male and female school captain will be elected by all grade six students in the first month of each school year.
- All students who wish to be considered for school captain positions must formally nominate themselves using the nomination form available.
- Nominees must present a brief address to all students in grade six indicating why they should be elected.
- A formal secret ballot election will occur, 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 captains will be required to make a brief victory speech, will receive badges, and will be photographed for the school newsletter and other purposes.
- School Captains will undertake leadership training in the running and organisation of meetings, IWB skills and planning skills as well as attending external leadership training.
- School Captains will chair Junior School 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.
- School 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.