



**HILTON
PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

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STUDENT LEADERSHIP POLICY

POLICY GOALS

Student leadership activities link strongly with learning about citizenship and the processes involved in a democracy. They can assist all students to learn about, and exercise, the rights and responsibilities of participating in a community that values social justice. Student leadership therefore encompasses the school's provision of:

Formal and informal learning opportunities which develop the

- Competency of individuals as leaders and effective participants
- Processes and structures for student representation and the
- Incorporation of students' views into decision making and the
- Life of the school.

The development of student leadership skills involves opportunities which encourage students to:

- Act in roles of responsibility with integrity and honesty
- Foster a sense of vision and purpose
- Work with others to determine and achieve collective goals
- Take on responsibilities and use decision making skills in order to
- Carry a project through to a successful conclusion
- Be active, reflective listeners who respond effectively
- Earn the respect of others through their actions.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL LEADERS

Four Student Councillors and four Faction Captains will be elected on an annual basis during Term 4 ready for commencement of duties in Term 1 of the following year. The election process should be linked to the Australian Curriculum Literacy (speaking and listening), Personal and Social Capabilities (general capabilities) and Humanities outcomes. The following order of events will take place:

- Year 5 students will be briefed and given details of roles, responsibilities and selection criteria by the Deputy Principal. Nomination forms will be issued for students that are interested in nominating for one or more positions.
- Seven to ten days will be allowed for students to consider nomination, complete nomination form and hand in to classroom teacher. Late nominations **will not** be accepted.
- Students who have nominated will need to deliver a 1 ½ to 2 minute persuasive speech to their peers (Year 3, 4 & 5). This could be part of the classroom program.

- Speeches will take place and students from Years 3, 4 & 5 will participate in a preferential voting system to determine students' preference (within two weeks of nominations closing). The need to vote responsibly needs to be reiterated amongst students.
- Teachers and Administration staff will confer on results of student voting and make the final decision on the election of school leaders.
- Successful candidates will be notified and presented with badges at end of year Awards Night

DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOL LEADERS

- Deputy Principal will be accountable for the management of the school leaders in consultation with Year 5/6 Classroom teacher.
- Student Leaders will meet with Deputy Principal on a fortnightly basis.
- Student Leaders will be provided with development opportunities at the beginning of the school year and as opportunities arise.

Ratified by School Board



Julie Harrison
Principal



School Board Chair

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