



AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Student Leadership 2020

At Darkan Primary School we believe that all children are active participants in their own learning and wellbeing. We want our children be provided with authentic opportunities to be involved in our school, participate in decision making over matters that affect them and work with us to build upon our learning environments. Through involvement in our Student Leadership strategy we hope to provide our children with these experiences and opportunities. We believe that all children in their final year of schooling play a very important leadership role in our school. For this reason all children in Year 6 are invited to be a member of our Student Leadership Team.

This great honour and privilege for our Year 6 cohort is developed through our Student Leadership Strategy. Our Student Leadership team will work together to ensure that the individual contributions of each member of the team combines for success for the whole team. We focus on developing our children's leadership skills through formal leadership training and practical leadership experiences. This approach recognises that our children can be leaders across many different areas, and that leadership skills learnt in primary school can lay the foundations for future leadership opportunities.

It is our aim to promote and develop our children's personal and social capability so they learn to understand themselves and others, and manage their relationships, lives, work and learning more effectively. This capability involves children in a range of practices including recognising and regulating emotions, developing empathy for others and understanding relationships, establishing and building positive relationships, making responsible decisions, working effectively in teams, handling challenging situations constructively and developing leadership skills. These opportunities range from classroom responsibilities and personal confidence development, to more formal leadership roles. Involvement in the Student Leadership program builds citizenship skills so our children can make worthwhile contributions to our school and wider community.



DARKAN PRIMARY SCHOOL WHOLE SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS



INITIATIVE

We are Thinkers

We see something – We do something



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Qualities of a Student Leader

The qualities that a person displays are important in forming who they are as an individual, and also as a leader. A sign of an effective leader is someone who displays these qualities over time out of habit. Some of the leadership qualities we aim to foster, develop and assist our children to display include:

Accountability	Adaptable	Adventurous	Alert
Ambition	Approachable	Assertive	Authentic
Autonomous	Balanced	Brave	Caring
Charismatic	Clarity	Coaching	Collaborative
Commitment	Communication	Compassion	Confidence
Consistency	Contribute	Conviction	Courageous
Creative	Decisive	Delegate	Determination
Diligent	Directive	Discernment	Disciplined
Driven	Empathy	Empowerment	Encouragement
Endurance	Energy	Engaging	Enthusiastic
Excellence	Flexible	Focused	Forgiveness
Friendly	Fun	Generosity	Genuine
Good Judgement	Gratitude	Growth	Guiding
Honesty	Humility	Humour	Imaginative
Initiative	Innovative	Insightful	Inspiring
Integrity	Intuition	Kindness	Listening
Loyalty	Manager	Motivating	Open-minded
Optimistic	Organisation	Passionate	Patience
People focused	Persistence	Persuasive	Planning
Practical	Problem Solving	Productive	Reflective
Relationship	Reliability	Resilience	Resourceful
Respect	Responsible	Role model	Self-Confidence
Selfless	Serve others	Stewardship	Strength
Supportive	Teamwork	Tolerance	Transformational
Transparent	Trust	Understanding	Visionary
Wisdom			



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Expectations of Student Leaders

- Have a clear knowledge, follow and promote the expectations of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Program.
- Are self-aware and build upon their strengths in various in small and large groups, setting personal challenges to develop new skills and strategies
- Can manage themselves, and analyse factors that influence their ability to self-regulate, devise and apply strategies to monitor their own behaviour and set realistic learning goals.
- Have social awareness and will work toward identifying a community need or problem and consider ways to take action to address it.
- Have social skills, that will see them making and responding to introductions, building on the ideas of others in discussions, offering and accepting constructive criticism.
- Contribute to groups and teams, encouraging others, negotiating roles and relationships, managing time and tasks.
- Initiate or help to organise group activities that address a common need

Roles & Responsibilities

All Student Leaders will be involved in the following activities:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambassador for visitors into the school. • Contribute to School Newsletter • Attend meetings, develop and implement action plans. • Everyday raise and collect the Australian Flag from the flag pole • Facilitate fundraising initiatives and participate in school social events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representing Darkan Primary School at community events where required • Prepare and present a speech at Weekly Musters and Assemblies • Assist in setting up for assemblies • Promote sports activities in the school and encourage participation by all.
<u>School Captain</u>	<u>Faction Captain</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare and present a welcome speech at Faction Carnivals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Swimming ○ Cross Country ○ Athletics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate exemplary sportsmanship qualities. • Prepare & present a speech at Faction Carnivals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Swimming ○ Cross Country ○ Athletics • Encourage and foster faction spirit. • Organise war cry cheer leading to encourage team spirit during carnivals

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Selection Procedure

Members of the Student Leadership Team are invited to apply for the following specific Student Leadership Roles:

- School Captain
- Wheatbelt Faction Captain
- Forest Faction Captain

All nominations for position for either School Captain or Faction Captain will be endorsed by staff of Darkan Primary School.

Selection Process

	Date	Action
1	28 th October 2019	Submit application for a specific leadership positions (School Captain/Faction Captains)
2	11 th November 2019	Present pre-selection speech for specific leadership positions (School Captain/Faction Captains) at school assembly. Students in Year 3 – 6 vote
3	18 th November 2019	Interviews for specific leadership positions (School Captain/Faction Captains) with member of Staff, School Board & community. Selection process used to identify: 1. School Captain 2. Faction Captains
4	Week 6	Student Leadership positions announced to school, all nominees and parents will be given a letter acknowledging their efforts.
5	18 th December 2019	Formal announcement of successful nominees



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