

REVESBY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL



Student Leadership Policy

Preamble:

Revesby South Public School encourages the development of student leadership. There are a number of leadership positions within the school which any student, may aspire to hold.

The school encourages the development of self-responsibility as the basis for taking on greater responsibilities. Each student is expected to achieve at a level of personal excellence which demonstrated through safe, respectful behaviour and active citizenry (thinking of others, caring for themselves and school property and the reputation of the school).

Student Leadership Opportunities:

Each class from Years 2 to 6 will elect two Student Representative Council (SRC) Members. Kindergarten and Year One will be represented on the SRC by the Captains and Vice Captains.

In Year Six, students have the opportunity to lead the school by fulfilling a number of elected positions.

Elected Positions

- Two School Captains- one boy and one girl
- Four School Vice-Captains- two boys and two girls or three of one and one of the other
- Eight Sports House Captains

Nomination and Election Procedures for School Captains and Vice Captains:

Selection Criteria

- Obey school rules- Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be an Active Learner
- Positive involvement in school activities
- Good role model
- Pride in school (uniform)
- Show initiative
- Reliable
- Punctual
- Kindness/Thinking of others

All Year 5 students are asked to nominate two boys and two girls and give a valid reason for each of their nominations. Students **cannot** nominate themselves for the position of School Captain.

A committee comprising of the Principal, school executive and Stage 3 staff will look at all nominations. The highest scoring boys and girls (no more than 10) are selected to proceed with the captain nomination process as the final candidates.

A student may be excluded from the ballot process due to attendance or behaviour in the preceding two terms at school. Students who have been suspended are automatically excluded from the ballot process. Students who have continuously received a red level card **may** also be excluded. Letters informing parents will have been sent before the ballot process begins. These students will be notified of their exclusion from the ballot, by the Principal, prior to its finalisation.

Final candidates will create an A4 poster using a photo provided by the school. The poster will outline the qualities they feel will make them a good School Captain. The poster will be placed in the hall on the Monday of Week 2, Term 4 and taken down on the Friday of that week. These candidates will also speak at a special assembly, in the same week, outlining the purpose of their candidature. Students are asked to create their speech to be no longer than 3 minutes and not include unachievable or unrealistic promises. Year 2-5 students will attend the assembly.

Voting:

Students from Revesby South Public School's Years 2-6 classes will be eligible to vote. Elections will occur in Week 2 of Term 4.

The ballot paper will be in random order. All voting will be on the formal ballot paper. Each eligible school student will vote for three students, this can be boys, girls or a mixture of both, who are their preferred choices for the captaincy of the school.

Each staff member, teaching and ancillary, may vote for three candidates. Each staff member's vote will have a weighting of two, that is, each vote will be counted twice. The nominated staff, not a stage 3 teacher, will organise the election procedure. After the ratification of elected Captains all ballot papers will be destroyed.

Role of the Captains and Vice-Captains:

As a Captain you will be expected to fulfil the following responsibilities:

- To conduct weekly assemblies including setting up the hall.
- To put the flag up before school in the morning and take it down at 3:15pm each afternoon.
- Assist in the organisation for Year 6 fundraising for the school present in consultation with Stage 3 teachers, Principal and Year 6 peers.
- To conduct special assemblies and participate in official functions as required eg ANZAC day.
- To have initiative to cope with unanticipated situations which may arise

within the school

- To be a spokesperson for our school eg vote of thanks to visitors
- To display positive involvement in school activities and be a good role model.
- To demonstrate pride in our school at all times, including wearing of correct full school uniform.
- To be reliable, punctual and a model of good manners and sensible behaviour.
- To be a responsible student who demonstrates kindness and thinks of others.
- Attend all SRC meetings
- To ring the school bell before school, at lunch, afternoon tea and home time.

Sport House Captains:

Students can nominate themselves if they would like to be elected as a Sports Captain.

Candidates will create an A4 poster using a photo provided by the school. The poster will outline the qualities they feel will make them a good Sport Captain. The poster will be placed in the hall on the Monday of Week 2, Term 4 and taken down on the Friday of that week. These candidates will also speak at a special sport house assembly to be held in Week 2, Term 4, outlining the purpose of their candidature. Students are asked to create their speech to be no longer than 3 minutes and not include unachievable or unrealistic promises. Year 2-6 students will attend the sport house assembly.

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All nominated students are put on the ballot paper. A vote will take place at the end of the meeting.

Role of the Sport Captains:

As a Sport Captain you will be expected to fulfil the following responsibilities:

- **Friday Sports Assembly-** Captains will run the assembly, organise awards, banners and house point tallies.
- **Friday sports equipment.** –On Fridays organise equipment for K-2 and 3-6 school sport.
- **House Points-** Collect house points from classes on a Monday prior to the school assembly. They add up the points determining the weekly winner.
- **Year 6 Fundraising-** Along with captains, organise fundraising for the Year 6 school present in consultation with Stage 3 teachers, Principal and Year 6 peers.
- **Gates-** Lock the school gates after the bell (Approx 9:30am) and reopen them at 3pm.

Announcement:

Captains, Vice-captains and Sport House Captains will be announced on Presentation Day. Inductions will be held after the announcement at Presentation Day.

Dismissal:

A Captain, Vice Captain or Sport Captain may be dismissed from office by the Principal for serious misdemeanours or repeatedly failing to adhere to school rules in accordance with Revesby South PS Student Welfare and Discipline Policy.