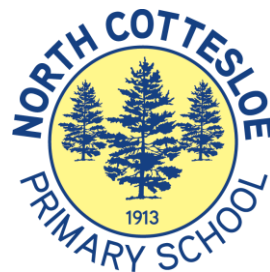


North Cottesloe Primary School Student Leadership Guidelines



Rationale

Central to North Cottesloe Primary School pursuits are our core values; Excellence, Respect, Integrity, Care. The student leadership program at North Cottesloe promotes the skills, values and attitudes needed for effective leadership, in order to make a positive contribution to our school community.

An evidence-based student leadership framework will support the development of our student leaders at North Cottesloe Primary School. The attributes of a leader will be actively taught and fostered in our students from PP to Year 6.

North Cottesloe Primary School will:

- Provide opportunities for student leadership from PP to Year 6
- Provide structured leadership modules/lessons for Year 4 and 5 students
- Provide structured lessons for Prefects and Faction Leaders in peer mediation [Restorative Practice]
- Provide leadership and challenge by choice activities for the Year 6 cohort at the start of the new school year

Student Leadership guiding processes and practices

North Cottesloe Primary School elects Year 6 student leaders for the incoming school year, in November/December of the preceding year, via staff and student vote and committee consensus. The final decision rests with the Student Leader Committee, comprising the Principal, Deputy Principals, Specialist Teachers and Year 5 Teachers. A student's aptitude for leadership, past leadership performance and readiness for a leadership role, will guide the final decisions regarding student leaders. The staff and student vote are just two of the elements which informs the Student Leader Committee, they are not the determining factor in the outcome.

Student Leadership at North Cottesloe consists of:

- **Six** Year 6 School Prefects [where student numbers for Year 6 are greater than 50, consideration to electing eight prefects]
- **Six** Year 6 Faction Leaders [one male student and one female student for each faction; Swan, Canning, Avon]
- **Two** Year 6 leaders – Music Captain and Technology Leader [supported by one Year 5 Deputy Music Captain and one Year 5 Deputy Technology Leader]
- **Six** Year 5 Green Team Leaders
- **One** class representative from Year 1 to Year 6 [per semester] elected to the Student Council by their classroom peers

Year 6 Prefects

- Lead Year 1 to 6 Student Council
- Lead internal awards [ERIC tokens, Tidy Bags, Waste free Wednesday, Walk to School]
- Represent the school at special events
- Prepare and present reports at whole school assemblies
- Support school events and fundraising
- Support playground student mediation – restorative practice

Year 6 Faction Leaders

- Lead students at Faction events/carnivals
- Prepare and present reports at whole school assemblies
- Support the Physical Education Program
- Support playground student mediation – restorative practice

Year 6 Music Captain and Technology Leader

- Lead the school in singing the National Anthem at whole school assemblies
- Support the Music program at North Cottesloe
- Support the running of school assemblies and events

Year 5 Music Captain and Technology Leader

- Support the Year 6 Music Captain and Technology Leader in their roles and responsibilities
- Support the Music program
- Support the running of school assemblies and events

Year 5 Green Team

- Lead school sustainability initiatives
- Support the school Science program
- Prepare and present reports at whole school assemblies

Student Council Yr 1 to 6

- Support the School Prefects
- Support student voice/agency
- Consult with their peers when a wider representation of voice is required

The process for appointing students to leadership roles

1. Students self-nominate for a specific leadership role
2. Students may nominate for more than one leadership role, but may only hold one position
3. Students present their peers and staff with a two-minute speech, outlining why they would be a suitable student leader
4. A formal student vote is conducted
5. A formal staff vote is conducted
6. Student Leader Committee approves the final appointment of incoming student leaders
7. Student leaders for the incoming year announced at the PP to Year 5 Book Awards

Frequency and timing of meetings for elected student leaders

- Frequency of meetings will be on a fortnightly basis for all student leadership groups
- Student leaders meet as a group in their own time with a nominated staff member, who will oversee the student leaders in their role