



# St Anthony's School

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"A light beneath our feet"

	Student Leadership
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## OVERVIEW

At St Anthony's School, all students are encouraged and supported to develop the qualities of effective leaders. Students in Year 6 take on the role of leaders of their own learning. Through the curriculum and extra curricula activities, students are encouraged to develop the skills necessary to be a leader. This ensures that students recognise themselves as leaders and have the opportunity and confidence to take on leadership roles. Servant leadership is nurtured in the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. Student are challenged to develop a sense of vision and purpose as they take on responsibilities and use decision making skills to carry a project through to a successful conclusion. They develop interpersonal and intrapersonal skills including communication, negotiation, teamwork and reflection. Students are given opportunities to develop the skills of active, reflective listeners who respond effectively as they work with others to determine and achieve collective goals through their ministries.

## OBJECTIVES

- St Anthony's School Student Leaders reflect and demonstrate the School's PADUA values:
  - Personal Best
  - Model faith in Action
  - Embrace diversity and difference
  - Being unite
  - Appreciate and respect each person equally
- St Anthony's School Student Leaders reflect and demonstrate the attributes reflected in the St Anthony's Way:
  - Strives to act like Jesus
  - Accepting
  - Demonstrates resilience
  - Responsible
  - High expectations of self
  - Engaged
  - Demonstrates good manners
  - Cares for others
  - See mistakes as a learning opportunity
  - Works as a team
  - Problem solver
- St Anthony's School Student Leaders reflect, demonstrate and model the expectations of the Students Code of Conduct:
  1. Respect Self
  2. Respect Others
  3. Respect Property
  4. Think Safely

## **PRACTICES**

Student leadership will include all Year 6 students and comprise four Ministries.

Four Ministries (~16 students per ministry)

- Year 6 students present to the Year 5 students during the end of Term 3.
- Year 5 students put in their top 2 preferences for ministries that they would be interested in being a part of.
- Year 5 teachers and specialist teachers will give feedback on students who have shown leadership skills.
- Year 6 teachers will allocate the ministries based on identified student leaders, student preferences and teacher feedback.

Three leaders will be elected from within each ministry.

- Students will nominate themselves and present to their ministry members while on camp.
- The students in each ministry will elect their ministry leaders as the culmination of camp.
- 3 students will be elected from each ministry.
- These elected students form the student council.
- Student councillors will meet regularly with the supervising teacher of their ministry.

Two School Captains are elected from within the student council

- Students must nominate themselves.
- Nominees must submit an application, followed by an interview with the school principal or assistant principal.
- The School leadership team will select the School Captains.

[The student ministries seek to provide opportunities for students to embrace and promote the PADUA Values.](#)

Personal best: Student leaders are tasked with providing a good example to others of striving for excellence by demonstrating exemplary behaviour and putting effort into their schoolwork and leadership responsibilities.

Faith in action: Student leaders are called to model their leadership on that of Jesus through acts of service.

Embrace diversity and difference: In working as a member of their ministry, students come to recognise and value the unique contribution that can be made by each individual.

United: Students work cooperatively as members of their ministry for the benefit of the school community

Appreciate and respect each person equally: By working in teams, students have the opportunity to work with different people than they are used to working with and develop a greater appreciation for the other students in their year level.

Student Ministries			
Faith in Action	Library & Social Skills	Environmental Action	Sport & Health
Reading birthday over PA (weekly)	Shelving books in the library (twice weekly)	Pickup rubbish after lunch (daily)	Recess and lunch sport equipment (daily)
Reading notices over PA (weekly)	Returning books after lunch (twice weekly)	Food scraps (daily)	Class sport setup (daily)
Value of the week (weekly)	Library setup and tidy (twice weekly)	Environmental Awards (weekly)	Sport equipment maintenance (daily)
Birthday stickers (weekly)	Social skills Friday (weekly)	Garden maintenance (twice weekly)	Organising lunch activities (weekly)
Setup PA for pickup duty (daily)		<a href="#">Advertise and Promote environmental issues and our school initiatives at community events.</a>	<a href="#">Developing and supporting health initiatives in the school (Act Belong Commit) Newsletter?</a>
Hand out lost property (weekly)		<a href="#">Support the Waste warriors</a>	<a href="#">Promote health initiatives on Fathers Night / family night / community events.</a>
Put up and take down flag (weekly)			<a href="#">Represent their factions at sporting events.</a>
Mini Vinnies (weekly)			<a href="#">Assist in the organisation of school sporting events.</a>

### Election Procedures

During Year 6 camp there is a strong focus on individual and group leadership. Students who wish to be considered for leadership of their Ministry will have time during evening activities to write speeches to present to their group on the Friday morning of camp.

On the last morning of camp students will gather together in their Ministries (allocated at the end of the previous year) and deliver their speeches. Each ministry will vote to elect their own leaders. Voting will be preferential, and three leaders will be elected per ministry. The elected leaders will be announced all together at camp.

The three elected leaders per ministry will form a Student Council. The student council will meet with school leaders twice a term to share ideas about how they are supporting the school values and ethos. Week to week the leaders from each ministry will help manage their team and rosters.

From the twelve elected leaders, two School Captains will be chosen. Students who wish to be considered for the position of School Captain will self-nominate and write a letter of application. Nominees will then have an interview with the principal or assistant principal. The school leadership team will decide who is chosen as School Captains. This process is to be decided as soon as possible after camp and School Captains and Student Council are to be officially announced at the next school assembly or mass.