

# Nowra East Public School



## Student Leadership Policy

### Rationale

Our leaders represent Nowra East Public School on a daily basis and it is important that students who are elected for this role represent our school values of being a safe, respectful, responsible learner consistently. They will be a role model for all students and represent our school when needed both at school and in the community.

### Election of Students to Leadership

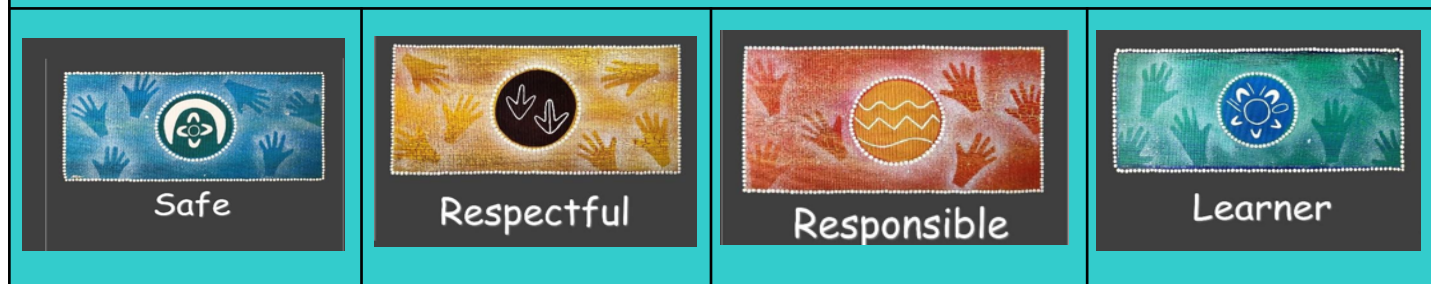
Students in Year 6 who have consistently displayed NEPS values may nominate themselves for the position of a School Leader (2x School Captains, 2x Vice Captains and 2x Prefects). All nominees will be required to prepare a speech that will be delivered to the whole school. The speech will clearly detail why they should be elected as a school leader and how they will approach the role.

Students from Year 3 to Year 6 will vote. All staff will also vote. They will use a preferential system of voting, numbering their preferences in order from first (1) to last (dependant on number of candidates). They will vote after the Year 6 students have delivered their speeches.

There will be a separate ballot paper for the nominees. On the ballot paper there will be the students' names and photos. Votes will be counted by the Principal and Executive Staff using the preferential system.

The School Captains and Prefects will be announced once the Principal has had the opportunity to inform all candidates of the outcome. School leaders will receive their badges and will acknowledge their willingness to accept the position with the Captains' Pledge. This will take place at an assembly.

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## Roles and Responsibilities

- Running assemblies
- Setting up and packing up assemblies
- Putting the flags out and bringing them in daily
- Thank special guests
- Representing the school on special occasions
- Assisting all staff with jobs as requested
- Captains report at Presentation Day
- Attending SRC and Leadership Meetings Weekly – giving up one lunchtime
- Modelling, supporting and encouraging peers to follow school values
- Model and lead others to care for our school environment
- Value and respect all cultures

Prior to nominating for the position of a leader, all students should be clear that these are the roles and responsibilities as well as the expectations of the leadership role. Students who do not comply with this will result in the loss of the position.

## Expectations of Leaders

- Wear full school uniform and badge when undertaking roles and responsibilities
- Consistently following school values within the school and community
- Treating all students, staff and community members with respect
- Being a role model to all students

## Loss of Position:

Following formal complaints by members of the school community and depending on the severity of the behaviour, action will be taken as follows:

1. Warning and counselling by the Principal, in consultation with relevant staff.
2. Loss of position (badge and privileges) for 2 weeks. The position remains unfilled for these 2 weeks.
3. Loss of position (badge and privileges) for the rest of the year.

If the position is lost for the remainder of the year, or if a student leaves the school, the position will be filled by another member of the student leadership team.

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## School Captain Nomination Guide

Students in Year 5 who **have consistently displayed NEPS values** and do not have record of suspensions and regular behaviour incidences can nominate themselves for the office of School Leader. All nominees will be required to prepare a speech that will be delivered at an assembly. The speech will clearly detail why they should be elected as school captains and how they will approach the role.

Below are the criteria the students need to meet to nominate

- I am always kind
- I have a go at all school activities
- I am always truthful
- I show respect towards teachers, parents and other students
- I try my best to meet my learning goals
- I wear my school uniform with pride
- I use my time well
- I am a good role model for other students
- I play fairly
- I include other students
- My school reports show that I have good attendance
- I will commit to attending SRC and Leadership meetings weekly

I \_\_\_\_\_ believe I have met all the above criteria and would like to nominate myself for School Captain..

I have the support of my family and my class teacher.

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*signed by parent/carer*

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*signed by class teacher*

## Student Leadership Agreement

Name: .....

I have discussed with the Principal my roles and responsibilities as a school leader. I will be proud to fulfil my duties as outlined.

I understand that failure to follow the requirements will lead to the consequences outlined in the section titled "Loss of Position."

I have discussed with my family my roles and responsibilities as a school leader. My family understand that failure to follow the requirements will lead to the consequences outlined in the section titled "Loss of Position."

Signed..... Date: .....

(Student)

Signed..... Date: .....

(Parent/Carer)

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## School Leaders Pledge

*I, (name) am aware of my responsibilities as a leader of the school. I will always assist all members of my school community.*

*I pledge my loyalty to Nowra East Public School and promise to cooperate to the best of my ability with school staff, students and community members. I promise to represent the school to the best of my ability, to display the quality of leadership and set an example for other students to follow.*

*I ask the students and staff of Nowra East Public School and my family for their support so I can carry out my duties well.*