



# THE LAKES SOUTH MORANG P-9 SCHOOL

## Student Leadership Policy

### Rationale:

The Lakes school is a partnership between teachers, parents, students and the community. Student input into formal decision-making is integral to our mutual success. A formal and structured Student Representative Council, House Captain and School Captain forums will provide an opportunity for students to express their views, to have them heard and to act upon them. They will also take on roles and responsibilities that will assist in the daily operation of The Lakes School.

### Aims:

To provide a formal and recognised process to effectively and fairly gather and express students' opinions, suggestions and recommendations regarding school direction and day-to-day decision making.

### Implementation:

- Each year, the Student Representative Captains will be elected by their peers from Prep to 9. Students in Year 1 – 4 will attend SRC meetings on the Early Years Campus. Students in Year 5 – 9 will attend SRC meetings on the Middle Years Campus.
- Membership of SRC, House Captains and School Captains, will be proportionally representative, providing a balance of girls and boys. Numbers of members representing each year level of students will be determined by the number of home groups in each year level.
- House Captains will be nominated and elected by staff based on involvement and participation in school activities.
- Year 9 School Captains will write an expression of interest and will be selected by staff after an interview process.
- Year 4 School Captains will be nominated and selected by staff.
- Students may not be excluded from Leadership positions due to any reason such as race, religion or non-payment of voluntary contributions.
- Elected members will receive badges, will be recognised in the newsletter, and will receive directions as to their role and basic meeting procedures and protocols.
- The elected School Captains will chair all SRC meetings.
- The SRC will meet monthly prior to School Council, or more frequently if required.
- SRC issues will be placed on the School Council agenda, and the School Captains will be invited to participate in School Council meetings as SRC representatives.
- House Captains will meet on a regular basis with the Health & PE team and will work in conjunction with the SRC.
- The opinions expressed by Student Leaders will be carefully considered by the School Council and the principal, and will receive appropriate feedback.

- Student Leaders will have available, a regular section in the newsletter to report to the community.
- School Council will provide an annual lunch for all Student Leader representatives.
- The Coordination of all Student Leaders will be managed by one Early Years, one Middle Years and one Health & PE staff member who will work together to support the students.

**Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed in consultation with all members of the Student Leadership groups and School Council as part of the school's three-year review cycle  
This policy been endorsed by School Council 19.5.09