
Year 6 Leadership Program



LORETO
Mandeville Hall Toorak

Loreto schools offer a Catholic education which liberates, empowers and motivates students to use their individual gifts with confidence, creativity and generosity in loving and responsible service.

Mary Ward believed that “women in time to come will do much” and the values of freedom, felicity, sincerity, verity and justice are at the core of a Loreto school.

Loreto Schools of Australia Mission Statement

Leadership Program

The Year 6 Leadership Program runs throughout the year and aims to deepen the students' understanding of leadership; nominating characteristics and qualities of effective leaders as well as identifying their own personal qualities and how these may be used in their capacity as a leader. This exploration is facilitated through workshops, activities and presentations by inspirational leaders in the school and broader community.

The Year 6 Leadership Program is a strengths-based, inclusive program that allocates all Year 6 students to one of six Councils. The Councils meet fortnightly in a committee type format providing opportunities for conversation, brainstorming, negotiation and compromise, project planning and implementation. The students are mentored and guided by a staff facilitator throughout the year.

Councils

The six Councils are:

- Arts
- Health and Fitness
- Innovative Learning
- Positive Engagement
- Social Justice
- Sustainability

Appointment to a Council is allocated alphabetically across the Year 6 homerooms and the announcement of the Councils is made at the beginning of the Year 6 Leadership Day, held early in the year. The students are involved in a number of workshops throughout the Leadership Day.

During committee meetings, plans and projects are workshopped, and once ready for implementation, it is expected that students will take the lead in the promotion, set-up and running of the activity. While some activities may be a single event, others will be short term projects or school-based initiatives. The staff facilitator will support the students throughout this process.

Guest Speakers

In addition to serving their school community, the Year 6 Leaders will have the benefit of listening to guest speakers invited into the school to share their inspirational stories and journey of leadership.

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Parent & Daughter Evening

The Year 6 Leadership Program is complemented by a Parent and Daughter Evening early in the year, supported by professional, external facilitators. This opportunity provides quality time for both students and parents to reflect upon situations, share memories and set goals for the future as the girls embark on this exciting leadership journey.

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