

Avon Valley School

Student Leadership Information Pack



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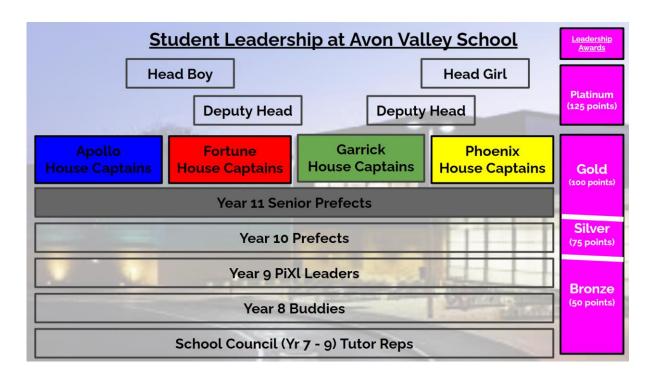
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The Student Leadership Programme (SLP)

The aims of the Student Leadership Programme (SLP) at Avon Valley School is to provide students with a variety of opportunities to develop their personal skills, whilst developing their leadership credentials in and outside the classroom.



As you can see from the diagram above, there are opportunities to join the SLP at AVS in Year 7 all the way through to Year 11.

Why become a member of the \$LP?

Thinking of becoming an AVS school leader? When you are involved in the Student Leadership Programme, there are numerous opportunities to develop areas of your personal development. You will be able to develop your;

- Leadership skills (Leading on projects)
- Communication skills (Leading assemblies, small talks, presentations for tutors)
- Organisation skills (Organising projects, charity and in school events)
- Social skills (Meet people during projects and meetings on the SLP)

By developing these skills and engaging in opportunities, this may support a variety of things later on in your life, such as;

- Adding this to your Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Education applications (College, Sixth Form, UCAS applications, Universities)
- Applying for senior leadership positions
- Gaining an advantage over others (work experience)
- Applying for jobs in the future

The basics of a Student Leadership member

As an aspiring or current member of the SLP, you should;

- Have exemplary correct uniform at all times
- Demonstrate excellent behavior at all times
- Have outstanding attendance to school
- Ensure you are always fully equipped for the day ahead
- Be to be punctual to lessons and SLP events
- To attend all scheduled meetings
- To use social media in the correct way
- To take responsibility for yourself and the way you conduct yourself inside and outside of school
- Demonstrate the schools core values

Our Core Values

Doing our best
Being proud of ourselves and our school
Behaving well and being honest
Showing respect and caring for each other
Getting involved

What's involved in each role?

School Council

The school council contains a member of each tutor group from Year 7 – Year 9. Once selected/ voted by your tutor group, you will choose what council group you want to be part of. You will meet as a group once every half term.

Eco – Working on mini projects to improve the school facilities and environment.

Press – Working with a faculty and produce reports for the newsletter and advertise events within that department.

Wellbeing – Improving the wellbeing of students and staff in school as well as educating our community with themed months such as Black History Month. The wellbeing group will work also closely with the Anti Bullying Ambassadors.







Year 8 Buddies

Working closely with the school's transition leader. You will act as buddy/ role model to a new Year 7 tutor group. You have just been through the same experience and know what new members of the school will be going through. You will visit your tutor group once a week and run tutor activities and answer any questions or worries they may have.

Year 9 Pixl Ambassadors

All of Year 8 take part in the Pixl Edge Award. You will have your own account where you will need to complete 10 activities throughout the year to develop your LORIC skills (Leadership, Organisiation, Resilience, Initiative and Communications). In Year 9, you can apply to become an ambassador if you have completed the award to support the Year 8s. You will visit your allocated tutor group on their selected Pixl day during tutor.

Year 10 Prefects

To apply to be a Year 10 Prefect, you must have gained 75 leadership points (explained on page 9). If you are selected, you will represent a faculty of your choice in school. You will then support that faculty with extra-curricular clubs, revision or organising events. You can also select to become an Anti Bullying Ambassador and receive in house training for this. You will attend whole school events (opening/ parent evenings)

Year 11 Senior Prefects

To apply to become a senior prefect or above, you must have achieved 100 leadership points. During Year 11, you can continue to work towards the in house leadership awards. A senior prefect will oversee the Year 10 prefects and below. You will be assigned a faculty to oversee. You will liaise with the member of staff and prefects to ensure they are meeting the expectation of an AVS Prefect.

House captains

There are two house captains for each house (male and female). Your role as a house captain is to work alongside the Achievement Leaders and Student Welfare Leaders to promote good behaviour and engagement throughout the house. You will also present awards to members of the house on the last Friday of each month. House captains will also support the delivery/ control of assemblies within the house.

Deputy Head

As a Deputy Head, you will oversee the house captains to ensure they feel supported and are doing their job. You will also work closely with the Head Boy/ Girl in planning and organising whole school events.

Head Boy/ Head Girl

The Head Boy/ Girl position is the highest in the SLP at Avon Valley. You will have engaged with the SLP throughout your time at AVS and been heavily involved in school life. You should have completed the Platinum Level Award to apply for this role. You will attend whole school events (opening/ parent evenings) as well as organising and supporting events such as the Prom, Christmas dinners and whole school assemblies.

Opportunities for all

Members of the SLP at AVS will get the opportunity to engage with the following throughout their time at Avon Valley School;

- A press release in the local paper
- A picture/ article on the schools social media accounts
- Engage in school tours for visitors
- Be on a student panel for staff interviews
- Engage in the student voice
- Organise charity events
- Support house competitions
- Deliver/ plan or support an assembly
- Photo opportunities
- The opportunity to make a difference and to have your voice heard.

All SLP members will sign an agreement before taking on their role. Failure to act as a role model will result in your position being removed from you.

Student Leadership awards

All members of the school can gain in house leadership awards. Leadership points can be collected in and out of lessons. You will see on the diagram on page 3, how many leadership points you need to apply, for certain positions. Leadership points are allocated through the class charts behavior system.

Student Leadership at Avon Valley School

Leadership points are on offer from Year 7 - 11. You must have earned 75 Leadership points (Silver) by the end of Year 9 to apply to become a Prefect in Year 10. There are opportunities to join the Student Leadership Programme (SLP) in each year group. You will receive a badge when you achieve a leadership level.

How to earn Leadership points?

- High quality leadership roles within lesson (Leading on speeches, warm ups, plenaries, experiments, reading, captaining a sports team or, leading a subject/house competition)
- 2. Attending Student Leadership/council meetings
- 3. Attending and supporting school events (Parents/ Open evenings)
- 4. Leadership roles within the programme
- Completing Leadership section on PiXl Edge
- Completing tasks on the Cultural Capital passport where the leadership logo appears (11 on offer)

Bronze 50

Leadership points

Silver Leadership points

Gold 100 Leadership points

<u>Platinum</u> 125 Leadership points





How to apply?

All applications for positions on the SLP will be through google forms. Mr Hartfield will distribute these links to the correct year groups, when the application process opens. For Senior Perfects and above, formal interviews will take place with the Head Teacher and Achievement Leaders.

Badges

All members of the SLP at Avon Valley will receive a badge to proudly wear on their blazer. All leaders will received an 'AVS Leader' Badge. You will then also receive a badge depending on your role.



What do Ex \$LP members

say?

"I wanted to become a prefect to show that if you put your mind to it, you can achieve anything. I've always wanted to be a prefect since year 7. I like being a part of something bigger than myself, it's another way to help people. The role of prefect is to represent the school and to act as a role model for the younger years to look up to. When you are assigned to your faculty, you need to help them out with anything they need. This could be from helping them by planning an assembly to writing articles."

Treasure (Yr 10 Prefect; 2020)

"I wanted to become Head Girl because I have always wanted to be working with other students in ways that I wouldn't have before and working with teachers. In addition I think that you need a great deal of confidence in yourself with public speaking, meeting new people and really just putting yourself out there and resilience. There are going to be times where you will struggle but you have to push through because there is always light at the end of a tunnel. It also feels great when you know you have achieved great things by helping others. I think that the first steps to be a senior leader is to believe in yourself, set a good example and be kind to everyone."

Katie (Yr 11 Head Girl; 2020)

"I wanted to become a prefect because I liked the idea of representing the school. I also wanted to become a prefect because it had a lot of opportunities that sounded interesting to me, like taking part in the school council, helping out faculties. I also thought becoming a prefect would help me learn new skills like public speaking. I think the main qualities a prefect needs is to be open minded and a good listener as a prefect needs to be able to take on others ideas to help students and make the school a better place. As part of my prefect role so far, I have had to help out at my chosen faculty (PE) by creating new display boards that show all the opportunities in PE at Avon Valley. I have also been part of the Well-being council, and as part of this I have helped make posters and notice boards for students to see and am currently making a school podcast with the rest of the well being council."

Ellie (Yr 10 Prefect; 2020)

Staff Contacts

If you would like more information on a certain role within the SLP, please contact the relevant member of staff.

Lead on Student Leadership - Mr Hartfield chartfield@avonvalleyschool.uk

Senior Leadership Liaison - Mr Hawkins

Senior Prefects - Mr Hartfield

Apollo House Captains - Miss Labreize

Fortune House Captains - Mr Phelan

Garrick House Captains - Mr Hartfield

Phoenix House Captains - Mrs Owen

PiXI Leaders - Mrs Hallam

Year 8 buddies - Mrs Bearpark

Anti Bullying Ambassadors - Mrs Kanyoli - Ojo

PE - Mrs Jackson

Science - Mr Whitehead

Maths - Miss Quarmayne

Business, Media and Computing - Mrs Gore

Library - Liberian

English - Mr Duke

PSHE - Miss Vella

Performing Arts - Miss Wheatley

School Council - Press Group - Mr Owen

School Council - Wellbeing Group - Miss Howe

School Council - ECO Group - Mr Phelan