20th March 2023

Headteacher: Mrs H L Millett

Dear Parent/Carer,

Student Leadership Opportunities

We are exceptionally proud of our student leadership body. Over the last four years, we have grown from zero to a body of 137 students from years 7-13. These students passionately work with me to support and develop school improvement plans. Alongside this, we raise funds for charity, work on whole school and community projects aiming to make a positive difference in and out of school. Complementing the work of the main body, we also have the splinter groups which focus on anti-bullying, eco-awareness and action and educating students around the issues pertinent to our students. All the groups have had numerous successes in the last three years including raising over £7000 for various charities!

We meet three times every half term. Students are encouraged to complete drop in sessions with their year groups to ask opinion and ideas from the wider community which they feed through to our senior student leaders and myself who meet weekly to agree on agendas and action points.

For the second year, to further enhance student leadership work we are maintaining the opportunity to apply for prefect (in Y9 and 10), senior prefect (in Y11 and Y12) as well as appointing our new senior student leaders (Head Girl/Boy and their deputies in Y13). These students will be appointed through an application and interview process. This area of the student leadership body will be expected to set the example for all. More than that, they will have the opportunity to develop leadership qualities and skills through representing us at school and community functions, support with duties, represent and lead one of our houses, supporting their teams at sporting and achievement events.

All applications should be completed by Friday 31st March, 10:35am. As well as developing their own skills in leadership, this accolade would also be advantageous for them when applying for colleges, university and paid employment.

We have received a number of fabulous applications so far, but would hope to encourage others to do so. Please discuss this opportunity with them. For ease, I have added a list of where and whom students should send their applications to. I have also added a copy of our student leader blueprint so you can see what opportunities are available for your child in this area and with which members of staff.

Student leader opportunities and blueprint 2023-24

- Prefect Applications in Y9 should be addressed Mrs Darbyshire and Mrs Metcalfe and sent to <u>s.metcalfe@stokesleyschool.org</u>;
- Prefect Application in Y10 should be addressed to Mrs Darbyshire and Mrs Bailey and sent to j.bailey@stokesleyschool.org;
- Senior Prefect Applications should be addressed to Mrs Darbyshire and Mrs Jeal and sent to Mrs Jeal on <u>i.jeal@stokesleyschool.org</u>;

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Senior Student Leaders (Head Girl/Boy, Deputy Head Girl/Boy) should be printed off and addressed to Mrs Darbyshire, Deputy Headteacher and Mr McGreal, Senior Assistant Headteacher and brought in person to Mrs Darbyshire who can be found each morning on duty out the front of house or on canteen duty at break time.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Darbyshire

Deputy Headteacher

