

Pupil Leadership special!



Don't make a decision about me without me...

Pupil leadership has been one of the fundamental drivers of change within the Academy over the last year. We saw the impact of their ideas and leadership in bringing our new school uniform to the Academy, which really does look fantastic.

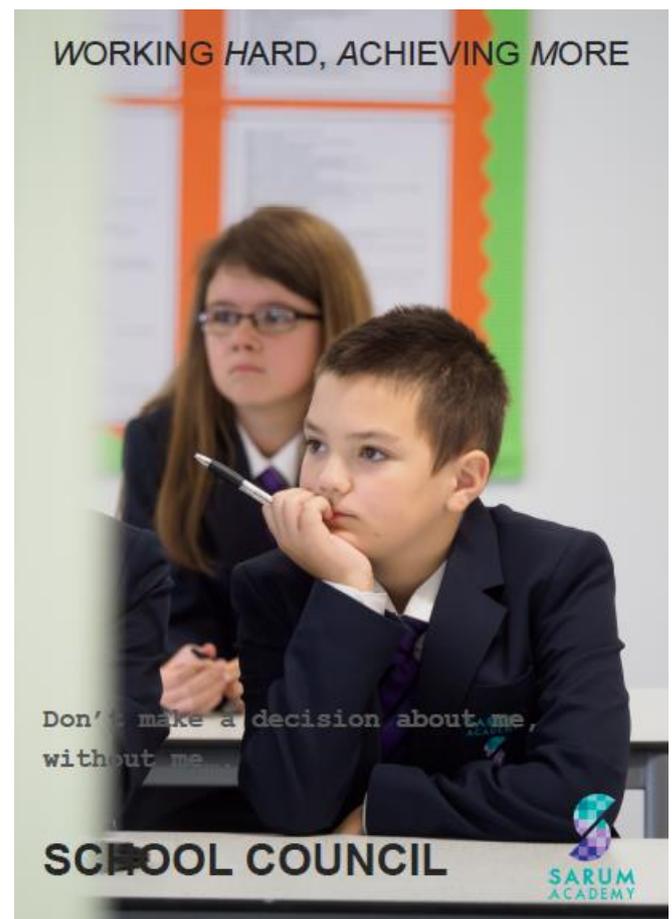
At this time of year the leadership teams are establishing themselves and discussing the focus for the Academic Year.

We have a number of Leadership roles in the Academy namely the **School Council**, the **Ethos Group**, **Anti-Bullying Ambassadors** and **Peer Mentors**. Each group has a particular focus.

This Academic Year the focus for the School Council will be on the **environment**, both the learning environment and the impact of the

Academy on the environment. For the Ethos group their focus is on **feedback from stakeholders**, for Peer Mentors – training the new Peer Mentors in Year 8 and in supporting our new Year 7 pupils, and for the Anti-Bullying ambassadors in maintaining our focus on staying safe particular in relation to **Social Media**.

Peer Mentors at work



Senior Prefects

September is also the time of year when willing participants in the 6th Form put themselves through the application process for Senior

Prefects, and for some the dreaded Head Boy and Girl presentations to staff. Rather than me introduce our Head Boys and Girls this year I have asked them to put something together for you.

Dear pupils and parents



My name is Natasha Rock and I am writing this article for you as **Head Girl of Sarum Academy**. I have been at the academy since Year 7 and have enjoyed every moment so far. After completing my GCSE's, I knew

that the best place to complete my A-levels was at Sarum Academy. I am currently in my second year of A-levels and I am studying psychology and Double Health and Social care as well as completing the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) in my first year. After completing my A-levels I plan to go to university and study midwifery.

Throughout my 6 years at the Academy I have volunteered myself in many extra-curricular activities, including badminton tournaments, parent tours, charity events and reading with the younger years. Each volunteering opportunity has been very different but equally as enjoyable as the last and extremely rewarding when you see what a difference you have made afterwards.

Also, in my first year at Sixth Form I was a Senior Prefect. As Senior Prefect I learnt how to work as part of a team and also increased my leadership skills. Outside of the Academy, I enjoy working on the weekends at G&T's World of Cards. Having this job has allowed me to increase my confidence. I also enjoy meeting my friends and enjoy spending time with my family.

As Head Girl, I want to make sure that students at Sarum academy feel valued and listened to so that they have an enjoyable time at Sarum, as I believe this is one of the most important features of any students overall school experience. This will also bring students and teachers closer. I aim

to be seen as often as possible around the Academy. It is a real honour to be chosen as Head Girl for this academic school year and I feel very proud to be an ambassador for Sarum Academy.

Natasha Rock – Head Girl

Dear pupils and parents



My name is Lewis Dickinson and I am privileged to be writing this article for you as **Head Boy of Sarum Academy**. Having been a student at Sarum Academy for over 6 years, the choice to stay on for Sixth Form to complete my A-

levels was an easy decision. I am currently in my final year of my A-levels, studying History, Psychology and Photography; as well as completing the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) in my first year. Throughout my time at the Academy, I have always been pushed to achieve my best and have always been provided with the tools needed in order to succeed. Following my A-levels, I intend on going to The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, with the intention of graduating as a fully commissioned officer in the British Army.

An interest of mine both inside and outside of the Academy is sport. I am currently playing rugby for Salisbury RFC at Colts level, along with the occasional call up to the men's teams having had my first taste of men's rugby at 16, and playing for them last year. It was a new challenge that was both intimidating and exciting at the same time, but one I was willing to accept. For many years prior I played football both inside and outside of school, competing at some of the highest standards and captaining my team along the way.

Alongside my studies, I also work evenings and Saturdays as a Customer Assistant, a job that has allowed me to increase my confidence and adapt well to speaking to different people from all walks of life on a daily basis.

As Head Boy, I intend to do the best I can in order to make the pupils voices heard, and develop the bridge between staff and pupils, which is a vital part of academy life. I aim to be seen as often as possible around the Academy so that staff, pupils and members of the community have optimum chances to talk to me, put their ideas forward and make a difference. As Head Boy I intend on making Academy life as comfortable as possible for pupils and staff alike, and help them achieve things they never would have thought were possible.

It is a real honour to have achieved the prestigious role of Head Boy and I feel very proud to be an ambassador for the Academy. I will carry out this role with great gratitude and to the best of my ability. Whether it is around the school, on an open evening or out in public, don't be afraid to stop and talk.

Lewis Dickinson – Head Boy

Dear pupils and parents



My name is Lily Siggs, I am in Year 13 and I take Music, Media and Health and social, and I am the **Deputy Head Girl**.

I have been at Sarum since Year 7 and since then I have always had a passion for music, playing and listening as I also play the guitar. This has helped me to realise that I want to go into soundtech once I've left school either via a University course or by getting an apprenticeship.

Outside of school I tend to catch up on lessons and complete any revision that needs doing but make sure I have time to chill. I applied for Senior Prefect but came out with the role of Deputy Head Girl for the second year running. I decided to apply because I felt like I would be a good role model for the school and I would be able to put my ideas across whilst expanding on the ideas that the rest of us have. I am hardworking and will always try my best. As I've been at the school since Year 7 I also feel like I have a good

understanding of how the staff and pupils work and can put forward any ideas that I think would help the school in anyway.

Lily Siggs – Deputy Head Girl

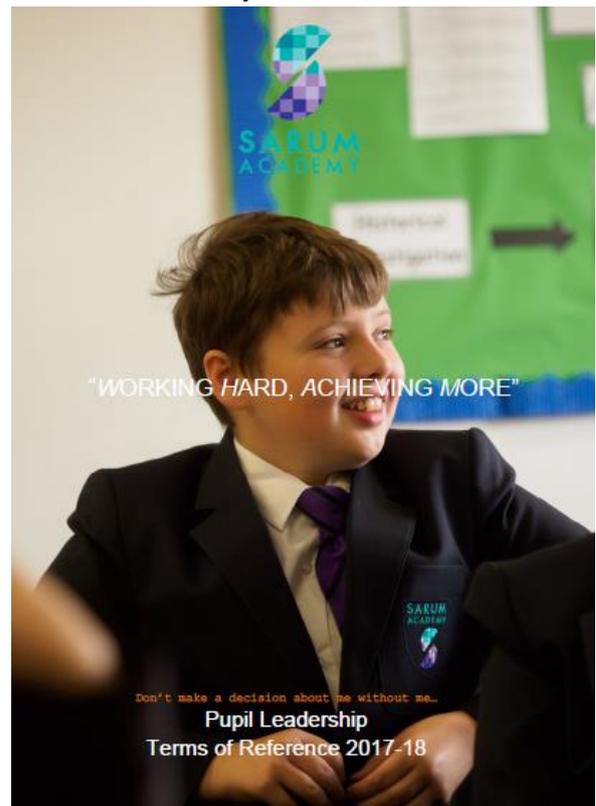


Hello my name is Luke; I had the pleasure to be the **Deputy Head Boy** last year, and this coming year. I'm looking forward to working with the staff, students and parents. Congratulations to all who have got roles as Senior Prefects as well.

Luke Botham – Deputy Head Boy

And can I add my congratulations to **Alice Carthy, Sofia Itskina and Mollie Gardner** in becoming **Senior Prefects**.

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