Student Positive Recognition Policy



Information for Students & Parents

PURPOSE

The Student Positive Recognition Policy celebrates and reinforces the behaviours, attitudes, and contributions that strengthen a positive school culture at Margaret River Senior High School. Guided by our values of **Respect, Responsibility, and Resilience**, the RRR system acknowledges students who demonstrate positive behaviour, strong effort, meaningful engagement, and active contribution to their school community. Its purpose is to build a sense of belonging, promote positive relationships, and encourage students to strive for their personal best in all areas of school life.

In addition to recognising excellence, improvement, and commitment, the RRR recognition system works in clear alignment with Good Standing to create a consistent and transparent approach to student behaviour and engagement. While Good Standing sets the baseline expectations for attendance, conduct, uniform, technology use, and coursework completion, the RRR system provides a structured way to acknowledge students who uphold—and often exceed—these expectations.

Student Positive Recognition explicitly acknowledges:

- Positive behaviour that reflects Respect, Responsibility, and Resilience.
- Strong academic effort, progress, and achievement.
- Active participation and contribution to class learning and school activities.
- Community involvement and service that reflects school values.
- Positive contributions to House spirit, school culture, and peer relationships.
- Improvement in behaviour, engagement, attendance, or commitment to learning.

RRR AWARDS

RRR Awards recognise students who demonstrate our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience in their daily interactions, effort and engagement. These awards are issued by staff through Chronicle entries across the year and contribute to each student's RRR Points total. Individual student RRR points also contribute to their House's overall tally, supporting a strong sense of connection, belonging and healthy competition across the school.

Individual certificates are digitally issued to students based on their accumulation of RRR points during each year:

- 100 points Bronze Certificate
- 200 points Silver Certificate
- 300 points Gold Certificate
- 400+ points Platinum Certificate

RRR AWARD TABLE

Category	Description	Points
RRR General Award	Demonstrating Respect, Responsibility or Resilience at school.	5
Commendation Award	Personal best; strong academic achievement; top marks in assessment; outstanding classroom effort; teacher-nominated encouragement.	10
Service & Representation – School	Participation in non-sport school service roles (e.g., Student Council, Head Student).	15
Service & Representation – Community	Community involvement or representing MRSHS at local events (e.g., ANZAC Day, MR Agricultural Show).	30
Service & Representation – State/National	Representing MRSHS or the region at state or national level activities (non-sport).	40
Meritorious School Representation	Exceptional contribution to school representation as nominated by staff.	25
Sporting Participation	Participation in school carnivals or sporting events.	5
Sporting Achievement – 3rd/4th/5th Place	Placing 3rd, 4th or 5th in year-level or whole-school carnival.	10
Sporting Achievement – Runner-Up Champion	Runner-up champion at MRSHS carnival.	15

Sporting Achievement – Champion	Champion boy/girl at MRSHS carnival.	20
Sporting Representation – Interschool	Representing MRSHS in interschool sport or Country Week.	25
Sporting Record/High Achievement	Achieving a school sporting record.	30
Interschool Runner-Up Champion	Runner-up champion at interschool competition.	30
Interschool Champion	Champion at interschool competition.	35
Sporting Representation – State Level	Representing Western Australia in sport.	40
Meritorious Sporting Achievement	Exceptional sporting performance as nominated by PHE staff.	25

MRSHS HOUSE CHAMPIONS

At the final assembly in Term 4, the MRSHS House Cup is awarded to the House with the highest points total for the year. The winning House receives a celebratory BBQ lunch after the assembly.

SEMESTER ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

Certificate of Achievement

Awarded each semester to the highest-achieving student in each class or course. In subjects with multiple classes, certificates will be awarded to the top-ranking students across the cohort, based on the number of classes operating. These certificates are issued digitally via Compass.

Certificate of Effort

Awarded each semester to students who demonstrate sustained effort, improvement, or strong engagement in their learning. These certificates are issued digitally via Compass.

Achievement Assemblies – End of Semester Awards

Achievement Assemblies are held at the end of each semester. Certificates presented include:

• Academic Excellence Certificates

These awards recognise the top students in each year group for their outstanding academic achievement across all subjects. Awarded to students who receive a Certificate of Achievement in more than two subjects during the semester, with final selection determined by the Student Services Manager.

• Endeavour Certificates

These awards recognise the top students in each year group for their consistent dedication and positive approach to learning. Awarded to students who demonstrate strong effort and commitment across multiple subjects, with eligibility based on receiving more than two Certificates of Effort during the semester, with final selection determined by the Student Services Manager.

Excellence in School Values

These certificates recognise students who exemplify our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience through exceptional contribution to the school community. Awarded to students who consistently demonstrate exemplary conduct, support their peers, and model positive citizenship, selection is based on a strong pattern of RRR Awards, maintained Good Standing, with final selection determined by the Student Services Manager.

YEAR 12 FAREWELL ASSEMBLY AND VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

Margaret River Senior High School recognises and celebrates the culmination of students' secondary education through two key events designed to honour their achievements and formally mark their transition beyond school:

Year 12 Farewell Assembly

Held on the final day of Term 3—the last day the whole Year 12 cohort attends. This assembly marks the beginning of the graduation period and includes announcements such as incoming Head Students, next year's Student Councillors. Awards announced at this assembly are formally presented at Valedictory.

Year 12 Valedictory Ceremony

A formal event that recognises all Year 12 students and their achievements. Subject awards, major academic honours and special recognition awards are presented in celebration of students' accomplishments and their completion of schooling.