

The Honours System

Aim

To recognise and reward students for their commitment and involvement at Killara High School across a broad spectrum of curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Students can accumulate merit awards and roll them over throughout their Killara High School experience until they attain an Honour Badge.

Awards students can receive:

1. Merit Award

- Issued by the classroom teacher
- Student takes ten merits to their Year Adviser who signs the back of the merits and hands them back to the student.
- Ten merits equates to a Bronze Award

2. Bronze Award

- May be issued by Year Advisers or Head Teachers (Academic), or Sports Organisers or organisers of curriculum enrichment activities, Performing and Creative Arts and School Service or Student Leadership.
- Issued at Year Meeting
- Students hand these awards to Year Advisers and an entry is made on Compass.

3. Silver Award

- Issued for achieving three Bronze Awards.
- Students take Bronze Awards to their Year Adviser who signs the back, and records it on Compass.
- Silver Awards are issued at Stage Meetings.

4. Gold Award

- Issued for achieving two Silver Awards.
- Students take Silver Awards to Year Adviser who signs the back, and records it on Compass.
- Gold Awards are issued at Stage Meetings or at the Annual Award Ceremony.

5. Honour Badge

- Issued after achieving one extra silver, after achieving a Gold Award.
- Students take Gold Awards and the extra Silver Award to their Stage HT who signs off and organises the Honour Badge to be presented.
- Students can only achieve one Honour Badge in a year.

6. Honour Trophy

- A student receives an Honour Trophy if they receive four Honour Badges over time.

7. Honour Blue

- A student receives an Honour Pennant if they receive six Honour Badges.

Merit Collection Card

At the end of Term 2 and beginning of Term 4, students will also receive a Merit Collection Card, where they can accumulate a variety of different points for curriculum enrichment activities and sports. Organising teachers will need to sign the card as proof of participation. These cards are then traded in for merit points in lieu of physical cards to the Year Adviser. This puts responsibility back on the students, rather than the organising teachers or Year Advisers for collating information on these activities and events. The activities included on the cards will include:

Sporting Activities:

- * Participating in a school sports carnival - 1 merit
- * Age champions: School - Bronze
- * Zone, Area, State, National, CHS Team - Bronze
- * Knockout Team - 3 merits
- * Grade Team: 2 merits per team

Curriculum Enrichment Activities:

- * PAE - 5 merits to possible Bronze, depending on level of commitment
- * Musical - Bronze
- * Drama Ensemble - 2 merits
- * Dance Ensemble - 2 merits
- * DEAS - Bronze - 5 merits; Silver, Gold Award - Bronze
- * Mock Trial - 3 merits
- * Debating - 3 merits
- * Zonta, Lions Youth of the Year - Bronze
- * Chess Club - 2 merits

Service Activities:

- * Student Leadership Council member - 5 merits
- * Light and Sound - 5 merits to Bronze
- * Peer Support - 3 merits
- * TEALS Buddy - 3 merits
- * Assistance at Gala Day, Open Day, Ekuba, Presentation Night, SPRM - 2 merits

Competitions:

- * Maths, Science, English competitions - 1 merit

Academic Effort and Achievement:

- * Report certificate - as determined by the reports spread sheet and YA discretion
- * Top 1-10 percentile range of the cohort receive a Silver award (at YA discretion for cut off)
- * Top 11-25 percentile range of the cohort receive a Bronze award (at YA discretion for cut off)