

# KEY STAGE 2 YOUNG LEADERS AWARD



THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK  
YOUTH TRUST  
*Be the change you want to see*



## Archbishop's Welcome

Never before has it been so important for our young people, regardless of their background or faith, to discover the life skills of compassion, patience, self-control, gentleness and leadership. The Youth Trust is helping to raise a generation motivated by such virtues. Young people are the answer to the challenges facing our communities. I believe they have the potential to change our world for the better and, as Mahatma Gandhi described it, 'be the change they want to see'.

With this in mind, in 2008 I launched my youth charity, The Archbishop of York Youth Trust. Our vision is to see every young person equipped and empowered in leadership and character through our Young Leaders Award Programme. Our work with schools enables young people to fulfil their individual potentials, develop key life skills, and, through youth-led social action, foster a desire for justice and a concern for others that will transform lives and communities.



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# The Young Leaders Award

## VISION

The Young Leaders Award is a fully resourced leadership and character education programme designed to both enhance and form part of the school curriculum. It offers an exciting opportunity for your young people to:

- Engage in new learning experiences
- Grow in leadership, character and key life skills
- Discover the benefits of helping others



## LEARNING

All teaching materials and resources are provided to allow pupils to:

- Explore and identify their leadership skills, character virtues and the importance of serving others
- Investigate the stories and impact of great leaders in society
- Examine the role they can play to lead positive change in their communities, supporting and looking after the most vulnerable
- Develop the skills required to lead others and work effectively in a team

"This award has allowed the children to practise important life skills outside of the classroom."

**YLA Teacher**

## ACTION

As part of the Award pupils are empowered to 'be the change you want to see', taking action and serving others in their community through different challenges. Pupils take part in:

- Personal challenges to help others in small ways
- School challenges to practice leadership skills
- Community Action Project in their local area



# Impact

## VISION

Our vision is to support schools in nurturing the leadership skills and character virtues of their pupils and in developing the whole child, mind, heart and soul. Independent research by the University of Gloucestershire has proven that the Young Leaders Award helps foster a growth mindset in young people raising their aspirations and enabling them to see and achieve their full potential.

## MASTERY

Our Award is achievable for all and offers pupils a wide range of social, personal and educational benefits.

## LEADERSHIP

Develops core Leadership skills including team work, communication, negotiation, creative thinking and initiative. Provides practical opportunities for pupils to practise implementing these skills.

## CHARACTER

Nurtures core Character virtues, such as compassion, humility, and self-control. Provides opportunities for embedding these values in daily life and school culture.

## GROWTH MINDSET

Inspires independent learning, helping shape future aspirations and development of key life skills. Fosters a 'can do' attitude.

## PERSONAL WELLBEING

Encourages self-awareness and emotional intelligence. Increases pupils' levels of confidence, resilience and empathy.

## MOTIVATIONAL FOUNDATION

Cultivates a mind-set for helping others through volunteering and practical action. Many pupils continue their efforts beyond the life of the Award.

## COMMUNITY COHESION

Encourages justice and concern for others; promotes tolerance and respect; and breaks down barriers in our communities. Pupil actions help positively raise your school profile within the community.



# Young Leaders in Action

Serving the Community



"YLA made me care more about my community."

**Millie, 10**

"No matter who you are, everyone can become a leader."

**Tom, 9**



"One small thing can make a big difference when working together."

**Noah, 9**



"Even a small deed can change the world."

**Annabel, 8**



# KS2 Award

How does it work?



## ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL SCHOOLS

A diverse range of school settings run the Award, both faith and non-faith.



## HOW IS IT DELIVERED?

The resources are flexible and open ended and can fit into a variety of delivery models. The majority of our schools embed the Award into their curriculum, often in RE, PSHE or topic time.



## TIMESCALE

We recommend at least a term, but many of our schools choose to run the Award over two terms or the whole academic year.



## CURRICULUM LINKS

The Award has clear links to SMSC, Personal Development, SIAMS, PSHE, Citizenship, Character Education and British Values, as well as many other cross curricular links that can be made.



## WHICH YEAR GROUP?

The Award can work well with all year groups within KS2. We have found that Years 4 and 5 are very popular with our schools.



## ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY

Some schools successfully run the Award after school. This requires commitment from those delivering and attending.



## MEET ARCHIE BISHOP!

Archie has a challenging background but through the Young Leaders Award he becomes passionate about helping others.

Pupils can follow Archie's story, as he learns to be a leader and sets them challenges throughout the Award.

## LAUNCH ASSEMBLY

The Award starts with a Launch Assembly which introduces Archie Bishop and helps the pupils to begin to think about how they can 'be the change they want to see'.

## 6 TOPICS:



### Leadership Skills

How we use them to change the world



### Inspirational Leaders

People who have changed the world for the better



### The Local Community

Identifying needs in your area



### The National Community

Researching national charities bringing about change



### The Global Community

Exploring issues of justice across the world



### Community Action

Your project

## Digital Resource Platform

Our digital resource platform includes on-screen interactive content and all teacher planning and activities



## ARCHIE'S CHALLENGES



1

**Personal Challenges**  
To complete at home

2

**School Challenges**  
To complete as a class

3

**Community Action Project**  
Meeting a need in your community

# Evidence and Reflection

## CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

Each session provides opportunities for formative, self and peer assessment. The Award is flexible for schools to apply their own assessment criteria and techniques.

To end each session pupils complete a 'frame' activity to fill the frame with their learning or thoughts from each session. This can be done as a class or individually.



Only  
£10 per  
learner!



## SCRAPBOOKS

Each pupil receives a scrapbook where they can keep a record of all their Young Leaders work, personal challenges and community action project. This is a great way for them to reflect on their Young Leaders journey.



## CERTIFICATES

At the end of the award a small sample of evidence from pupil's scrapbooks can be uploaded through the digital YLA platform. Pupils are then awarded individual certificates.



## AWARDS CELEBRATION

We encourage our schools to celebrate their Young Leaders with an Awards ceremony or assembly where they are presented with their certificates.

## Cost

For this cost you are provided with:

### Outstanding schemes of work

Complete sets of session plans and associated resources on our **digital platform**

### Team support

Email, phone and online support

### School visits

Choose one Youth Trust team visit from a **Launch Assembly, Teacher Training or Awards Ceremony**

### Ideas for serving your community

Successful community action examples and ideas

### Media coverage

Promotional coverage of your good news stories on our website & social media

### Special commendation

Outstanding pupils can receive a special commendation from the Archbishop of York

### Scrapbooks, pencils & badges

For pupils to record their learning and challenges

### Award certificates

For pupils to receive on completion of the YLA

### Delivery guidelines

Comprehensive teacher guidelines to support your planning and delivery

# Next steps

1

## APPLY

Complete the online application form on our website. On receipt of your application you will be invoiced.

2

## ACCESS THE RESOURCES

On payment of your invoice you will be sent login details for our digital platform. Here you will be able to download all the resources needed to run the YLA, including teacher guidelines to support you.

3

## TEAM SUPPORT

Get in touch with our Primary Strategic Lead Advisor for further guidance and support on delivering the Award successfully.

4

## DELIVER THE LAUNCH ASSEMBLY

Set the scene for the YLA by making a big deal of the launch assembly. We provide everything you will need.

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## RUN THE AWARD

Get going! To run a successful award use the resources to deliver outstanding sessions and get your students engaged in some top quality personal challenges and community action projects.

“This has raised childrens’ consciousness of how they can help others in simple ways every day.”

YLA Teacher



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