

KEY STAGE 1

ARCHBISHOPS' YOUNG LEADERS AWARD



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Young Leaders Award
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 AYLA 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 a youth award, The Archbishops' Young Leaders Award. The vision is to see every young person equipped and empowered in leadership and character through our Archbishops' 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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AYLA Founder



The Archbishops' Young Leaders Award

VISION

The Archbishops' 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 pupils to:

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



“Through the Award, foundations have been laid to make compassionate citizens of the future”
AYLA Teacher

ACTION

As part of the Award pupils are empowered to take action and serve their community through different challenges. Pupils take part in:

- Personal challenges to show kindness to others.
- School challenges to practice leadership skills
- A Community Action Project in their local area

LEARNING

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

- Explore leadership skills, character virtues and the importance of helping others
- Learn from the stories and impact of great leaders from the past and present
- Discover the role they can play to bring positive change to their communities



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, creative thinking and initiative. Provides practical opportunities for pupils to practise implementing these skills.

CHARACTER

Nurtures core Character virtues, such as kindness, compassion and perseverance. Provides opportunities for embedding these values in daily life and school culture.

GROWTH MINDSET

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

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 practical action. Many pupils continue their efforts beyond the life of the Award.

COMMUNITY COHESION

Encourages 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



“Being a leader is about having a really good team to help you and being kind to them and working well with them.”

KS1 Young Leader

“We learned that working together is better than working with yourself.”

KS1 Young Leader



“I now know that leaders stick at it and I will always try to persevere with things I find difficult.”

KS1 Young Leader



“One of the children said that it has helped them to become better people and I agree entirely.”

AYLA Teacher



KS1 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 KS1. Some schools have also adapted the resources to use with Reception in mixed aged classes.



MEET GRACIE!

Gracie and her friends are not sure exactly what being a leader means. Follow her journey, in our bespoke story, as she learns about kindness, perseverance, teamwork and action.

Gracie also pops up to encourage your pupils and set them their Young Leader Challenges. Explore the theme of...



LAUNCH SESSION

The Award starts with a Launch Session which introduces the Award through Gracie's story and the 'Small Steps Big Change' theme song.

Explore 4 characteristics or steps to becoming a Young Leader:



Digital Resource Platform

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



Each step contains a new story and a range of interactive teaching and learning activities.

The activities are designed to be flexible and provide lots of opportunities to make cross curricular links and embed the Award into the everyday life of the classroom.



GRACIE'S CHALLENGES



Pupils complete 3 challenges in school to practise kindness, perseverance and teamwork.

To complete their Award, they take part in a Community Action Project to help their local area.

Evidence and Reflection



YOUNG LEADERS PASSPORT

Throughout the award, pupils and staff can record examples of their learning and challenges in a 'Young Leader Passport' booklet.

At the end of each step pupils are encouraged to share an example from their passport during a 'Show & Tell Circle Time' when they receive a sticker to add to their passport for each step.


CERTIFICATES

At the end of the Award a small sample of evidence from pupils' Young Leaders Passports 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.



Only £12
+VAT per
learner!

Cost

For this cost you are provided with:

Outstanding schemes of work



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

Ideas for serving your community



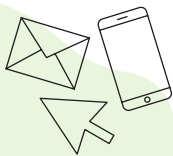
Successful community action examples and ideas

Young Leader Passports & Stickers



For pupils to record their challenges and collect stickers for each step

Team support



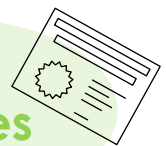
Email, phone and online support

Media coverage



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

Award certificates



For pupils to receive on completion of the YLA

School visits



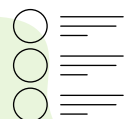
Choose one Youth Trust team visit from a **Launch Session, Teacher Training or Awards Ceremony**

Special commendation



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

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.

"The children are far more aware of how they can help others on a large scale through supporting charities and on a small scale with everyday small acts of kindness."

AYLA Teacher

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 access all the resources needed to run the AYLA, 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 SESSION

Set the scene for the AYLA by making a big deal of the launch session. We provide everything you 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 pupils engaged in helping others around them.



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