

Mrs Simpson's Sizzling Spotlight

Leadership

This week's sizzling spotlight is all about Leadership. On Monday, I was incredibly honoured to present our 2021 Student Leaders with their official badges. During this time, I challenged not only our badge holders, but also all of our year 6 students as leaders to think about being a leader. I posed the questions, "by the end of the year what do you want to achieve and what kinds of leader to do you want to be remembered as?"



IF YOUR ACTIONS
INSPIRE OTHERS
TO DREAM MORE,
LEARN MORE, DO MORE
AND BECOME MORE,
YOU ARE A LEADER.

-John Quincy Adams

Being a leader is a great privilege, especially for our school leaders who have over 800 peers following them. I am a leader who stands by the quote, "it takes a village to raise a child". My 'village' is Mareeba. It's the village I've

chosen to raise my children in. It's the village I've chosen to be a leader in for the past 13 years, working alongside many and varied community, student, staff and parent leaders to build together, in true partnership, educational opportunities to shape the future leaders of our wonderful community - Mareeba.

The Mareeba State School community is also an exceptional example of women in leadership educating our future leaders. With over 90% of our leadership women, we know that a "**strong woman stands up for herself, but a stronger woman stands up for everyone else**" –

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leaders talk about their vision and their beliefs and

prove them through their practices and results. Leading the largest primary school in our district, I am teamed with this strong group of women in leadership.



I finish today with some words of advice for all of our leaders: **always be the kind of leader you would want to follow, have big dreams, one day you will grow into them and remember that mistakes are proof that you tried.**