

## REALISING THE VISION – THE STAR DIPLOMA

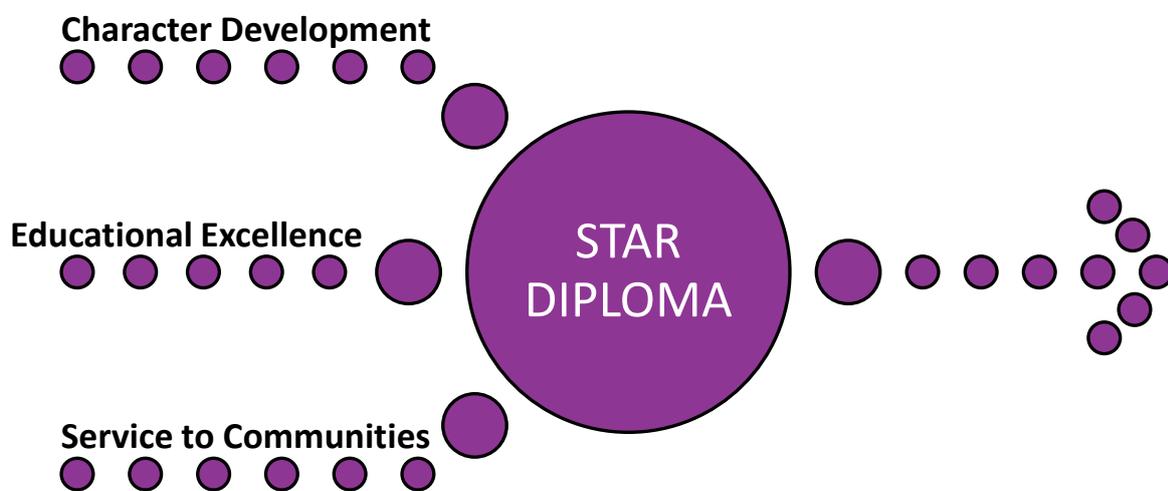
The Star Diploma embodies the Trust’s ambition to develop well-rounded, ethical and accomplished leaders of tomorrow.

It is a prestigious award implemented across all Star schools and endorsed by a growing number of leading national companies and organisations.

The Diploma comprises three elements of Attendance, Behaviour and Community Service, which together provide a formal structure that:

- encourages positive conduct and pupils’ commitment to their education.
- promotes SMSC and fosters active citizenship and community involvement.
- develops more rounded individuals by extending pupils’ education, experiences and personal growth beyond their academic study.
- promotes development of the R-18 Leadership Competencies and Virtues

The Star Diploma will provide the overall framework for accreditation against our vision. Accordingly, the Star Diploma brings together the three curricular drivers – educational excellence, character development and service to communities – in a single accreditation framework.



The Star Diploma is a **points-based award**. Pupils accrue points across each of the **three elements over the course of an academic year**. Scores are assigned to activity in each element. **Thirty Star points** are available in total over the three indicators as set out below.

## Star Diploma Awards

Achievement of the Star Diploma is recognised at four award levels based on the total Star points accrued at the end an academic year:

Level of Award	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum
Minimum Star points needed	10	15	20	26

The Star Diploma will be awarded to students who through service, commitment and personal excellence, act as living examples of the Star educational model.

Through its award, the Star Diploma will recognise not only the commitment of its holder to study and to outstanding attendance and behaviour; but also reflect how they will embrace their role as a future citizen, leader and entrepreneur in the community in which they will live and to which they will contribute. To gain the points at each stage a student must reach minimum standards in each of the categories as shown below.

THE STAR DIPLOMA POINTS FRAMEWORK			
STAR POINTS	A	B	C
	ATTENDANCE (%)	BEHAVIOUR (NET)	COMMUNITY SERVICE (HRS)
10	100 (0 days missed)	50+	80+
9	99.5 (1 days missed)	45-49	72-79
8	99 (2 days missed)	40-44	64-71
7	98.5 (3 days missed)	35-39	56-63
6	98 (4 days missed)	30-34	48-55
5	97.5 (5 days missed)	25-29	40-47
4	97 (6 days missed)	20-24	32-39
3	96.5 (7 days missed)	15-19	24-31
2	96 (8 days missed)	10-14	16-23
1	95.5 (9 days missed)	5-9	8-15

## Examples of community service at home

Read to little siblings/children	Record you and your sibling/parents reading a story and give it to a children's hospital	Teach an elderly friend how to use a computer or the Internet
Wash up or clean-up for parents and other family/friends	Read books or the newspapers and record for blind or visually impaired people.	Run or walk in a charity race with friends
Make cards for the elderly or those in hospital/nursing homes	Clean the yard for a neighbour who cannot do it themselves	Create displays for the school
Help pick up litter from the school playgrounds	During bad weather, visit the elderly and make sure they have everything they need	Make/give gifts with friends for children who are in hospital