Service as Action
Rijnlands Lyceum 2023
The academic story

• Work hard
• Fulfil your potential
Not good news

Academic pressure (51% of students in NL)
Low self-esteem
Disconnection
Loneliness
Depression
WHY?

Fulfilling your potential only gains meaning if you link your efforts to the world around you.

Now, rather than later!
SERVICE AS ACTION

PURPOSE

To build real connections between what students learn in an MYP classroom and the world around them in the hope that they become caring global citizens.
Each year students need to

1. Complete one service of their choosing - preferably external to the school.
2. Complete one service related to Project Time in Term 2 (or International Award MYP4/5).
3. Complete one service together with their mentor group.
TYPES OF SERVICE AS ACTION

DIRECT ACTION

INDIRECT ACTION

ADVOCACY
What is not counted as a service?

- Any sort of service around the house eg: cleaning, washing, babysitting etc.

- Any activity where students receive some sort of benefit eg: class grade, money etc.
Examples of Service as Action

- Helping a community group
- Starting or assisting in a school club
- Bake sale for a charity
- Recycling plastic in ISW
- Organising a clothes swap
- Helping RLW/ISW Staff on a long term basis
- Tutoring students in lower years.

- Helping a teacher make their room look beautiful
- Student ambassadors for open day
- Coaching a sporting team
- Advocate for an issue that you are passionate about
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• it brought us joy.
• We became more confident in speaking Dutch
• It was relaxing to do, right after school

“We let her win”
MYP5B students organised a friendly football match with Syrian refugees in Wassenaar
Responsibility?

- They will be ultimately responsible for completing their own service.
- Mentors will be there to guide and encourage them.
- All teachers will be available to support them and may at times be their advisor.
Managebac reflection

- They will be required to submit a proposal through Managebac.
- Once approved they will need to gather evidence of their service and upload it to Managebac.
- They will also need to reflect on their Service.
SERVICE AS ACTION OUTCOMES

1. **GROWTH**
   Become more aware of my own strengths and areas for growth

2. **CHALLENGE**
   Undertake challenges that develop new skills

3. **INITIATE**
   Discuss, evaluate and plan student-initiated activities

4. **PERSEVERE**
   Complete a service over an extended period of time

5. **COLLABORATE**
   Work with other people in order to accomplish your service.

6. **THINK GLOBAL**
   Show understanding and awareness for the wider world beyond your normal experience.

7. **ETHICS**
   Consider the implications of your actions on the world and future generations.
Outcomes

• They need to choose ONE outcome per service
Deadlines?

- They need to aim to finish one Service per term.
Consequences for not completing?

- Service as Action is a requirement of MYP
- If they do not complete they will be required to come back at the end of the year to do so.