MHS Academic Awards Scheme

**Principal’s Letter of Recognition**
Criteria: Any area of Recognition  
Determined by: Class teacher  
When awarded: End of Terms 1 and 3

**Recognition of Student Achievement**
Criteria: Any area of achievement  
Determined by: Class teacher  
When awarded: End of Semester 1

**Award For Excellence**
Criteria: Excellence in a Course  
Determined by: HT based on faculty results for each year - admin office to collate info.  
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day (Recognised at Year Assembly)

**Course Distinction Awards**
Criteria: Top 10% of students in each course based on academic half yearly and yearly reports.  
Determined by: HT based on faculty results for each semester - admin office to collate info.  
When awarded: Year Assembly

**MHS Academic Excellence Award**
Criteria: Top 10% of students in a Scholastic Year  
Top 20% of students in each course to be used as the basis for calculation – Total points determines Top 10% in the Year (2 pts if in top 10% in a course, 1 pt if in next 10% in a course)  
Determined by: Year Adviser - admin office to collate info supplied by faculty each semester  
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day (Recognised at Year Assembly)

**MHS Academic Performance Award**
Criteria: Next 20% of students in a Scholastic Year – using the same calculation method as the Academic Excellence Awards.  
Determined by: Year Adviser - admin office to collate info supplied by faculty each semester  
When awarded: Year Assembly

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Course Specific Awards  
Across Curriculum Awards
CLASS MERIT AWARD
Criteria: Sustained effort, significant improvement, outstanding achievement, initiative, participation or leadership
Determined by: Class teacher
When awarded: In class

COURSE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Criteria: 5 Merit Awards from a single course
Determined by: HT of Faculty when student presents the 5 Merit Certificates
When awarded: On achievement, by HT of Faculty (5 merit awards needed)

MHS LEARNING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Criteria: 10 Merit Awards from at least 3 courses
Determined by: Year Adviser when student presents the 10 Merit Certificates
When awarded: Year Assembly (10+ Merit Awards needed)

MHS LEARNING HONOURS AWARD
Criteria: 4 Learning Achievement Awards
Determined by: Year Adviser
When awarded: Special Morning Tea with Principal plus recognised at Year Assembly (40+ Merit Awards needed)

MHS LEARNING BLUE AWARD
Criteria: 3 Learning Honours Awards
Determined by: Year Adviser
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day (120+ Merit Awards needed)

Other School Awards

Merewether Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards
Criteria: Excellent all round performance by students in at least four of the following categories; Performing Arts, Academic Performance, Sport, Involvement in school life, School Service and / or Exceptional nomination.
Determined by: Year Adviser and HT Welfare after the student has successfully completed a STUDENT’S AWARDS RECORD CARD
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day
A Silver Award is awarded when 2 Bronze Awards are achieved. A Gold Award is awarded when 2 Silver Awards are achieved.

Merewether Junior and Senior Leadership Passport
Criteria: Completion of Leadership Challenges as prescribed in the Leadership Passport Policy.
Determined by: Leadership Passport Coordinator
When awarded: Year Assemblies
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**Principal’s Letter of Recognition**
- **Criteria:** Any area of Recognition
- **Determined by:** Class teacher
- **When awarded:** End of Terms 1 and 3

**Recognition of Student Achievement**
- **Criteria:** Any area of achievement
- **Determined by:** Class teacher
- **When awarded:** End of Semester 1

**1st in Course Awards**
- **Criteria:** 1st place in a course
- **Determined by:** HT based on faculty yearly assessment results - admin office to collate info.
- **When awarded:** Year Assembly

**Course Distinction Awards**
- **Criteria:** Top 10% of students in each course based on academic half yearly and yearly reports.
- **Determined by:** HT based on faculty results for each semester - admin office to collate info.
- **When awarded:** Year Assembly

**MHS Academic Excellence Award**
- **Criteria:** Top 10% of students in a Scholastic Year – based on aggregate assessment at end of course: Year 11 - best 12 units, Year 12 - best 10 units
- **Determined by:** Admin office to collate info supplied by faculty
- **When awarded:** Year 11 - MHS Presentation Day (Recognised at Year Assembly), Year 12 – Year Assembly

**MHS Academic Performance Award**
- **Criteria:** Next 20% of students in a Scholastic Year – using the same method as for the Academic Excellence Award
- **Determined by:** Admin office to collate info supplied by faculty
- **When awarded:** Year Assembly

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**Course Specific Awards**
**Across Curriculum Awards**

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MHS Merit Scheme

CLASS MERIT AWARD
Criteria: Sustained effort, significant improvement, outstanding achievement, initiative, participation or leadership
Determined by: Class teacher
When awarded: In class

COURSE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Criteria: 5 Merit Awards from a single course
Determined by: HT of Faculty when student presents the 5 Merit Certificates
When awarded: On achievement, by HT of Faculty (5 merit awards needed)

MHS LEARNING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Criteria: 10 Merit Awards from at least 3 courses
Determined by: Year Adviser when student presents the 10 Merit Certificates
When awarded: Year Assembly
(10+ Merit Awards needed)

MHS LEARNING HONOURS AWARD
Criteria: 4 Learning Achievement Awards
Determined by: Year Adviser
When awarded: Special Morning Tea with Principal plus recognised at Year Assembly
(40+ Merit Awards needed)

MHS LEARNING BLUE AWARD
Criteria: 3 Learning Honours Awards
Determined by: Year Adviser
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day
(120+ Merit Awards needed)

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Determined by: Year Adviser and HT Welfare after the student has successfully completed a STUDENT’S AWARDS RECORD CARD
When awarded: MHS Presentation Day
A Silver Award is awarded when 2 Bronze Awards are achieved. A Gold Award is awarded when 2 Silver Awards are achieved.

Merewether Junior and Senior Leadership Passport
Criteria: Completion of Leadership Challenges as prescribed in the Leadership Passport Policy.
Determined by: Leadership Passport Coordinator
When awarded: Year Assemblies

Other School Awards

MERIT SCHEME COUNCIL

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