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LEADERS INDUCTION CEREMONY – STRATHPINE WEST STATE SCHOOL

Good morning staff, parents and students. It's an honour to be back at Strathpine West today to congratulate your 2013 school leaders on their selection for these important leadership roles.

Any leadership role is an important role, because as a leader you always have others watching you and following your example. As student leaders you'll have other students watching what you do and thinking that if that's what my leaders are doing, then it's ok for me to do the same.

So if you're setting a good example, then great. Let's hope others follow you. But if you're setting a bad example, then unfortunately it's almost certain that others will follow you.

So, as a leader this year, I encourage you to set a good example by always giving everything your best effort and being the best that you can be.

If you want to get to the end of this year and be able to look back and say "that was a great year", then you have to make a choice every day to always be doing your best.

That means today, you need to decide to do your best.

Then again when you wake up tomorrow, you need to decide to do your best.

And if you make that decision day after day, and you constantly give your best to your classwork, your Student Council, your sports, your music, your leadership role, then I have no doubt that you'll be able to look back at the end of the year and be really proud with everything you've achieved.

And the bonus is, that if you, as leaders, are doing your best, then the rest of the students in the school who are following your example will also be trying to do their best and they'll have learned that from following your example.

I hope that 2013 will be another fantastic year for the Strathpine West school community and for your student leaders, and I look forward to being back here at your school throughout this year seeing you all doing your best.