

# ARCHBISHOPS' YOUNG LEADERS AWARD SCHOOL YEARS 1-3



**Archbishops'**  
Young Leaders Award  
*Be the change you want to see*

**The  
National  
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promoting  
education  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND & CHURCH IN WALES





# Archbishops' Welcome

**"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in faith and in purity. (1 Tim 4.12)**

Timothy's message of encouragement is at the heart of our vision for all young people through the Archbishops' Young Leaders Award. We want to support schools to inspire a new generation who have the confidence and humility to lead by example. A generation who demonstrate God's love in and through their actions; who seek social justice; who model servant leadership and invite others to do the same.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu said, "Give young people a greater voice. They are the future and they are much wiser than we give them credit for." We aim to model this aspiration and to encourage a generation, who are empowered to be agents of change in their communities.



***+ Andrew John***

Archbishop of Wales



***+ Justin Welby***

Archbishop of Canterbury



***+ Stephen Cottrell***

Archbishop of York



# The Archbishops' Young Leaders Award

## VISION

The Archbishops' Young Leaders Award is a fully resourced leadership and personal effectiveness programme designed to both enhance and form part of a school's curriculum. It offers an exciting opportunity for your learners to:

- Engage in new learning experiences
- Grow in leadership and develop skills integral to the four purposes of the Curriculum for Wales,
- Discover the benefits of helping others



“Through the Award, foundations have been laid to make compassionate citizens of the future”  
**AYLA Teacher**

## ACTION

As part of the Award learners are empowered to take action and serve their community through different challenges. Learners take part in:

- Personal challenges to show kindness to others.
- School challenges to practise leadership skills
- A Community Action Project in their local area

## LEARNING

All teaching materials and resources are provided to allow learners to:

- Explore leadership, develop skills integral for the four purposes and develop an understanding of the importance of helping others
- Learn from the stories and impact of great leaders from the past and present
- Discover the role they can play to foster cynefin and bring positive change to their communities





# Impact

## VISION

Our vision is to support schools to nurture leadership, support the development of skills integral to the four purposes of the Curriculum for Wales and develop the whole child mind, heart and soul. Independent research by the University of Gloucestershire has proven that the Young Leaders Award helps foster a growth mindset in young people raising their aspirations and enabling them to see and achieve their full potential.

## MASTERY

Our Award is achievable for all and offers learners a wide range of social, personal and educational benefits.

## LEADERSHIP

Develops core Leadership skills including team work, communication, creative thinking and initiative. Provides practical opportunities for learners to practise implementing these skills.

## VALUES

Nurtures core values, such as kindness, compassion and perseverance. Provides opportunities for embedding these values in daily life and school culture.

## GROWTH MINDSET

Fosters a 'can do' attitude, helping shape future aspirations and development of skills for life.

## PERSONAL WELLBEING

Encourages self-awareness and emotional intelligence. Increases learners' levels of confidence, resilience and empathy.

## MOTIVATIONAL FOUNDATION

Cultivates a mind-set for helping others through practical action. Many learners continue their efforts beyond the life of the Award.

## COMMUNITY COHESION

Encourages concern for others; promotes tolerance and respect; fosters cynefin and breaks down barriers in our communities. Learner actions help positively raise your school profile within the community.



# Young Leaders in Action

Serving the Community



"Being a leader is about having a really good team to help you and being kind to them and working well with them."

**KS1 Young Leader**

"We learned that working together is better than working with yourself."

**KS1 Young Leader**



"I now know that leaders stick at it and I will always try to persevere with things I find difficult."

**KS1 Young Leader**



"One of the children said that it has helped them to become better people and I agree entirely."

**AYLA Teacher**



# KS1 Award

How does it work?



## ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL SCHOOLS

A diverse range of school settings run the Award, both schools of a religious character and local authority schools.



## HOW IS IT DELIVERED?

The resources are flexible and open ended and can fit into a variety of delivery models. The majority of our schools embed the Award into their curriculum.



## TIMESCALE

We recommend at least a term, but many of our schools choose to run the Award over two terms or the whole academic year.



## CURRICULUM LINKS

The Award clearly supports the four purposes of the Curriculum for Wales particularly through its skills and experiences approach as well as many other cross curricular links that can be made.



## WHICH YEAR GROUP?

The Award can work well with any learners in Years 1 to 3. Some schools have also adapted the resources to use with Reception in mixed aged classes.



## MEET GRACIE!

Gracie and her friends are not sure exactly what being a leader means. Follow her journey, in our bespoke story, as she learns about kindness, perseverance, teamwork and action.

Gracie also pops up to encourage your learners and set them their Young Leader Challenges. Explore the theme of...





## LAUNCH SESSION

The Award starts with a Launch Session which introduces the Award through Gracie's story and the 'Small Steps Big Change' theme song.

**Explore 4 characteristics or steps to becoming a Young Leader:**



### Digital Resource Platform

Our digital resource platform includes on-screen interactive content and all teacher planning and activities.



**Each step contains a new story and a range of interactive teaching and learning activities.**

The activities are designed to be flexible and provide lots of opportunities to make cross curricular links and embed the Award into the everyday life of the classroom.



## GRACIE'S CHALLENGES



**Learners complete 3 challenges in school to practise kindness, perseverance and teamwork.**

To complete their Award, they take part in a **Community Action Project** to help their local area.

# Evidence and Reflection



## YOUNG LEADERS PASSPORT

Throughout the award, learners and staff can record examples of their learning and challenges in a 'Young Leader Passport' booklet.

At the end of each step learners are encouraged to share an example from their passport during a 'Show & Tell Circle Time' when they receive a sticker to add to their passport for each step.

## CERTIFICATES

At the end of the Award a small sample of evidence from learners' Young Leaders Passports can be uploaded through the digital YLA platform. Learners are then awarded individual certificates.



## AWARDS CELEBRATION

We encourage our schools to celebrate their Young Leaders with an Awards ceremony or assembly where they are presented with their certificates.



# Price

## Small Box

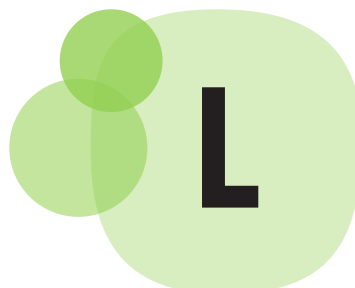
Resources for **15 learners**  
£180 +VAT

## Medium Box

Resources for **25 learners**  
£300 +VAT

## Large Box

Resources for **35 learners**  
£420 +VAT



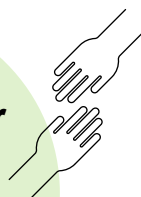
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#### Outstanding resources



Complete sets of session plans and associated resources on our **digital platform**

#### Ideas for serving your community



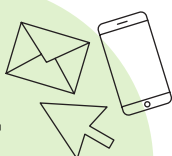
Successful community action examples and ideas

#### Young Leader Passports & Stickers



For learners to record their challenges and collect stickers for each step

#### Team support



Email, phone and online support

#### Media coverage



Promotional coverage of your good news stories on our website & social media

#### Award certificates



For learners to receive on completion of the YLA

#### School visits



Choose one Youth Trust team visit from a **Launch Session, Teacher Training or Awards Ceremony**

#### Special commendation



Outstanding learners can receive a special commendation from the Archbishop of Wales

#### Delivery guidelines



Comprehensive teacher guidelines to support your planning and delivery

# Next steps

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## **APPLY**

Complete the online application form on our website. On receipt of your application you will be invoiced.

"The children are far more aware of how they can help others on a large scale through supporting charities and on a small scale with everyday small acts of kindness. "

**AYLA Teacher**

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## **ACCESS THE RESOURCES**

On payment of your invoice you will be sent login details for our digital platform. Here you will be able to access all the resources needed to run the AYLA, including teacher guidelines to support you.

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## **TEAM SUPPORT**

Get in touch with our Primary Strategic Lead Advisor for further guidance and support on delivering the Award successfully.

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## **DELIVER THE LAUNCH SESSION**

Set the scene for the AYLA by making a big deal of the launch session. We provide everything you need.

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## **RUN THE AWARD**

Get going! To run a successful Award use the resources to deliver outstanding sessions and get your learners engaged in helping others around them.







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