

FEATURE FRIDAY

BISHOP ANSTEY HIGH SCHOOL EAST

The position of Head Girl at Bishop Anstey High School East (BAHSE) comes with endless responsibilities. Raynell Ramatali, the newly appointed leader of the BAHSE Prefect body, however, has managed to adapt with ease. Raynell, an extremely assertive, hard-working, and a self-aware young lady, has strived to always be respected by students and staff alike. Although the role of Head Girl appeared to be very overwhelming for her, she has entered the playing field with enthusiasm and grace.

Being a member of several BAHSE clubs, Raynell transfers the skills learnt to her newly attained position. She works alongside Deputy Head Girl, Sumayah Murray, to ensure that the prefects collaborate well and get the job done. She is striving to find common ground with her fellow prefects, ensuring that they are always satisfied and their concerns or issues are dealt with effectively.

Raynell endeavours to inspire her classmates to also become leaders. She encourages the prefect body to strive for excellence and introduces them to new concepts that can help with their development, not only as students but also as leaders. Raynell lives by the quote, "Do everything with purpose". She believes that everything she does is a direct representation of herself, who she is, and what she is made of. She stresses that everyone should give their all in everything that they do and sell themselves as respectable members of society.



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Additionally, Raynell emphasizes her interactions with people; focussing on her treatment of them to hopefully inspire others to do good. She believes that a leader is one that is understanding; humble and flexible. She emphasizes that “a leader is as strong as its followers” and that it all depends on how the followers work with the appointed leaders.

Furthermore, Raynell urges the student body to empathize with the newly appointed prefects. There is often a struggle for respect, and at times it can be difficult to establish themselves as authoritative figures since peers see them as friends. There is a continuous strive to work together as a team and establish solidarity within the core group so that they can be the leaders they need to be.

Though Raynell’s time as Head Girl has just begun, she has found a balance between her leadership roles and her academics. She is currently pursuing 10 subjects including Mathematics, English A, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, French, Spanish, Information Technology, Additional Mathematics, and English Literature at the CESC Level. Making good uses of her trilingual skills, Raynell has high hopes to lecture Physics in Spanish to native Spanish speakers in the future.

To the students aspiring to become Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl in the future; Raynell suggests that they develop a level of assertiveness to show that they can be a suitable candidate for the positions. She states the importance of not only doing well academically but also volunteering in class discussions, joining clubs and obeying the school rules.



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