ENRICHMENT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- Gift of the Gab
- Quicksmart (numeracy support)
- Support a Talker (oral language practice)
- Guided reading tutorials
- Access to interactive technology that targets specific learning difficulties eg. Reading Doctor
- Reading Programs
- Chess Competitions
- LAP (Learning Assistance Program) – Mentoring support by volunteer tutors
- Philosophy for Children
- Rock and Water and Drumbeat
- Curriculum differentiation

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ENRICHMENT

Seeds of excellence are always within us.
Let us nurture and encourage their growth.
ENRICHMENT ROLE
Our goal is to construct the best possible environment to ensure the academic, social, emotional, physical and spiritual well-being for each child. Our teachers aim is to provide enrichment opportunities for all students to help them reach their potential.

The role of the enrichment team is to work co-operatively and collaboratively with the school community to provide optimal participation and learning for all children.

We aim to develop confidence and competence in our students by providing:

- Individual Education Plans that make adjustments to teaching and learning.
- Extension curricula for students with potential gifts and talents.
- Social and emotional well-being support plans.
- Access to community resources for specific programs and activities.
- Access to a range of academic and artistic competitions.

Qualified enrichment staff (teacher, tutors and counsellor) are employed to support students with specific needs providing valuable programs and services.

The Parent School Forum includes a sub group called the Enrichment Activities Group who organise whole school enrichment experiences for all children eg. Postcards from... Gift of the Gab and an Art show.

THE ENRICHMENT TEAM SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING CURRICULUM PRACTICES. WE CAN:

- Assist Teacher to make adjustments to curriculum to suit the needs of the student.
- Provide feedback to teachers regarding levels of difficulty, responsiveness of students and assessment progress.
- Engage in class activities with students.
- Listen to students and recognize their goals and strengths.
- Provide parents with appropriate referrals to and assessments by therapists and psychologists.
- Remain flexible and adaptable to a variety of student competencies and behaviours.
- Assist staff access to professional development.

THE ENRICHMENT TEAM FUNCTIONS WITH THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONAL PRACTICES:

- The Enrichment team collaboratively plan with teachers eg. Individual Education Plans.
- Teachers access the Enrichment referral process to identify student needs.
- The Enrichment teacher communicates with other agencies such as Community Health Paediatric assessments teams.
- The Enrichment team keeps appropriate student records such as daily journals on student progress.
- The Enrichment team are timetabled to support student needs and utilise teaching times in the most efficient way possible.

THE KEYS TO SUCCESS ARE:

- trusting relationships
- advocacy for children’s participation
- positive focus
- regular meetings
- timely advice
- effective communication