YEAR 7, 2016

SELECTION FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM

In 2016 Canterbury Girls High will be offering a Gifted and Talented Program for Years 7 and 8. This program has been highly successful for the last eight years.

The two Gifted and Talented class programs for 2016 are:

1) A **Performance Class** for students with a passion for **at least one** area of the **Performing Arts** (Music, Dance, Drama), who are interested in participating in extra-curricular activities and who are also committed to achieving their best academically. This class will receive extension in the Performing Arts in addition to undertaking a rigorous academic program. Students are selected for this program for 2 years (Years 7 and 8).

2) A **‘traditional’ Gifted and Talented Class** for students who are committed to achieving their best **academically**, and who are interested in extending their talents across all key learning areas. **Extension** will be provided in all subjects to ensure the academic needs of all students are comprehensively met. Students are selected for this program for 2 years (Years 7 and 8).

Entry to these classes is by **successful application and interview**. Please note **first round Interviews are offered to students who have Canterbury Girls High as the first choice on the High School Expression of Interest Form**.

Second Round Interviews will be conducted in June and third Round in August for those students who do not have Canterbury Girls High as the first choice on the High School Expression of Interest Form.

Criteria for selection in the **Performance Class** will be:
- Demonstrated experience in one or more Performing Arts areas (Dance, Drama, Instrumental, Voice, Speaking).
- Evidence of commitment to academic progress.

Criteria for selection in the **Gifted and Talented Class** will be:
- Proven academic record of outstanding results in **most** subject areas.
- Evidence of commitment to achieving personal best academically.

All Applications should include:
- Copies of Year 5 NAPLAN results and a Year 5 end of year report.
- Evidence of past achievements, academic and extra curricula e.g. certificates, awards.
- A one page application form should be submitted with the Expression of Interest.

Applications should be attached to the Expression of Interest Forms families receive from Primary School Principals and returned to Primary School Principals.

Students from private schools should complete the Expression of Interest Form available from CGHS School Administration.

Interviews will be conducted in May 2015.

Applicants will be contacted by phone during the week of 11-15 May 2015 to negotiate an appointment time, during the week of 25-29 May 2015.

**SPECIFIC ENQUIRIES TO**: Sue Holden, Principal, phone 9718 1805.
The experienced staff at Canterbury Girls High are passionate about developing the interests and creative, personal and academic abilities of all students. The school’s HSC results have consistently been of a high standard across all academic areas. Experienced teachers have a long history of extending and accelerating students to achieve their personal best.

The school’s Performing Arts staff consists of 3 Dance teachers, 2 Music teachers, an Orchestra Director, Strings and Percussion Director and 4 Drama staff. All have extensive experience with the regional Performing Arts Unit, state ensembles, the Schools Spectacular, as well as a number of other regional and state opportunities.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE IN 2015

Orchestra
Strings Ensemble
Drama Ensembles Senior and Junior
Percussion Ensemble
Choir
Two Open Dance Ensembles
Year 7 Dance Ensemble
Hip Hop and Tap Dance Ensembles
Debating Year 7 – 12
Annual School Production
Environmental Ambassadors
Recreation Sport – Cycling, Power Walking, Lawn Bowls, Tennis, Ice Skating, Fitness Circuit, Knockout Sport - Basketball, Futsal, Lawn Bowls, Oz Tag, Soccer, Softball, Tennis,
Touch Football, Hockey, Volleyball, Netball
Mock United Nations Challenge
Peer Mentoring
National Competition Entries – English, Writing, Science, Maths, ICT, History, Geography
Leaps Mentoring
Student Representative Council
Rostrum Voice of Youth
Theatresports
Tournament of the Minds
United Nations Young Achievers
Australian Business Week program
Writers In Residence program