



GIFTED EDUCATION POLICY

School Vision: Building for Eternity

Rationale

We recognise that God has given every individual a unique set of talents and exceptional abilities. Students who have special skills that enable them to understand quickly and grasp difficult concepts need to be acknowledged and supported. We see the value of these students with such talents and would like to encourage and support them to use their talents in service to humanity.

Purposes:

- To recognise students who display such talents and skills;
- To arrange our teaching to cater for all students, as well as those who need greater challenges;
- To nurture all students including talented students;
- To recognise that these students sometimes display challenging behaviours and as teachers to steer their energies into positive outlets

Guidelines:

- The school will encourage students to enrol in extra-curricular programmes where possible;
- Explore the options offered by the Gifted Kids Programme;
- Teachers need to have professional development in this area;
- Ensure that resources are available to assist these students;
- Enter into discussions with professionals and other services, such as the RTLB to receive support in this regard.
- Agencies: Gifted Kids Programme; www.giftednz.org.nz

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