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Respect, Responsibility, Excellence

Friday, 18 March 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Figtree High School values excellence for all students. The Enrichment Class is one way we have broadened our curriculum to better support high potential and gifted students to develop their knowledge, application, thinking skills and attitudes to a degree of complexity appropriate to the student's developmental level.

At the forefront of the Enrichment Classes, future-focused learning is a student-centric approach where fun, interest, wellbeing and interactivity are valued. Teachers differentiate teaching and learning to meet the needs of high potential and high achievement students across the four natural ability domains (intellectual, physical, social emotional and creative).

**Application**

Application forms can be downloaded from our school website. Applications close **16 September 2022**.

**Selection Criteria**

Places in the 2023 Enrichment Class will be limited. The placement of students into this class will be determined by the information we collect on their **learning ability** and their submitted application. The student application must be submitted with their **most current school reports, NAPLAN Year 5 Report** and a supporting **handwritten response from the student**. Furthermore, we will communicate with Year 6 teachers to fully appreciate each applicant's suitability.

Figtree High School teachers will be administering a general ability online assessment in collaboration with our local primary schools that relates to student engagement and progress at school. We will administer the online assessments at our local primary schools to the class as a whole or in focus groups. Please note that any information gathered from this project will not be published outside of the school and will only be used for the educational outcomes of all students at Figtree High School.

Student's hand-written one-page response should address the following criteria:

- What skills and qualities do you bring to the Enrichment Class?
- Why would you like a place in the Enrichment Class?
- Examples of your strong work ethic and personal interests.

A school panel consisting of a Deputy Principal (Year 7), Year Advisor and DP Instructional Leader will meet in early Term 4, 2022 to consider the applications and allocate positions.

Parents will be advised of the outcome of their child's application by **14 October 2022,** whether their child is being offered a place, or has been placed on the reserve list, or has been unsuccessful.

Thank you for supporting Figtree High School's academic initiative.
Kind regards,

Mr. Peter Hewitt
DP Instructional Leader

Mr. Daniel Ovens
Principal

# Year 7 2023 Enrichment Class – Application Form

**Process:**

- Please read this document carefully, complete all relevant details on the application form and keep a copy.
- All applications must be completed in the spaces provided below.
- Lodge the application form, attach a copy of your most recent school reports and NAPLAN 5 Report to Figtree High School by **16 September 2022**.
- The general ability online assessment will be facilitated in partnership with our Community of Schools in **Mid Term 3 2022.**
  Students applying from our local area enrolment who are not enrolled in Figtree Community of Schools can apply – please contact Peter Hewitt by email or phone for further information.

**Applicant details:**

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| First name: | | Surname: | |
| Street address: | | | |
| Suburb: | | Postcode: | |
| Parent/carer contact: | | Phone number: | |
| Email: | | | |
| Primary School: | | | |

| Brief list of school involvement (Leadership, School Awards, Sport, Cultural, Competitions Creative and Perform Arts). |
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| Brief list of interests, hobbies and community participation. |
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Supporting documentation:

- ☐ Most recent school report (Semester 1, 2022)
- ☐ NAPLAN Year 5 Report
- ☐ Student's handwritten one-page response should address the following criteria:
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    - Examples of your strong work ethic and personal interests

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**Verification:** I verify that the above information is true and accurate.

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| Parent/carer name: | | | |
| Parent/carer signature: | | Date: | |

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Please attach copies of supporting documentation to this form and mail, email or drop off to Figtree High School's school front office by **16 September 2022.**

**Important dates:**

- Applications close **16 September 2022.**
- The general ability online assessment will be facilitated in partnership with our Community of Schools in **Mid Term 3 2022.**
- Class placements will be sent to families on **14 October 2022.**

**For more information:**

- Call (02) 4271 2787
- Email figtree-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au (attn: Peter Hewitt – DP Instructional Leader)
- Visit our website