



THE JANNALI HIGH SCHOOL

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THE JANNALI HIGH SCHOOL & FEEDER SCHOOLS 2021 ENRICHMENT PROGRAM INVITATION AND EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Dear Parent/Guardian

I hope this letter finds you all well as we begin to close the door on a very disruptive 2020 and look forward to 2021.

Your child from Years 5 or 6, 2021, is invited to participate in a Heart of the Shire Community of Schools (HOTSCOS) program designed to enrich the learning of talented students in the Jannali catchment area. This program also offers the opportunity for your child to link with other students from local primary schools and experience the high school setting at The Jannali High School.

In 2021 the structure of the program will continue to offer two courses per term which will run for a duration of either 3, 4 or 5 weeks. Each course will offer a different topic to be explored in more depth. The duration of each course will depend on the selected topic. The courses will be delivered on a Thursday from 9:30am to 3:20pm at The Jannali High School with up to twenty-five students attending from ten different feeder primary schools. A fully qualified Gifted and Talented Teacher from the high school will deliver the program which is now in its sixteenth year.

The cost of each course will be \$32 per student per day. This will amount to \$160 for 5 weeks, \$128 for 4 weeks or \$96 for 3 weeks which contributes to the cost of the teacher's salary and resources. **Any costs for excursions will also have to be met in addition to the upfront fees.** These are noted in the Enrichment Overview which is included with this package.

Selection for inclusion in the program will be based on the following criteria – we are looking for students who are:

- interested in academic and creative pursuits and would benefit from involvement in a challenging enrichment program;
- curious, independent learners;
- able to adapt socially to a variety of new peers;
- demonstrate a passion or talent in a variety of subjects including the creative arts.

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'the place to succeed'

The program caters for high potential children by providing enriching and challenging activities which will broaden their perspective on learning. The focus will be on the use of higher order thinking skills, problem-solving based learning and creative thinking. Activities will complement the Stage 3 curriculum with the aim of laterally extending and deepening students' knowledge and understanding. There will be no overlap with the standard Stage 3 and Stage 4 curriculum.

Each mini course will enable students to be immersed in particular topics and activities to broaden their knowledge and skills. Our aim is to offer each applicant their first or second nomination depending on the popularity of each course. Applicants can select from the variety of courses listed in the enclosed Enrichment Overview. Tasks will require students to collaborate with their peers and to network with each other. Focus areas will include Science & Technology, Creative & Performing Arts, Problem Solving and Creative Thinking. A full outline of the program can also be accessed on The Jannali High School's website @ www.jannali-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

All applicants will be notified about the success of their enrolment into selected courses **by email before the beginning of Term 1, 2021**. Correspondence will be sent to parents by email prior to the beginning of every course with important information about excursions, materials required and drop off and pick up of students from The Jannali High School site.

It will be the parents' responsibility to transport their child to and from The Jannali High School site each Thursday during the duration of the course.

This program is a collaborative local public schools initiative. All efforts will be made to ensure equity of access to the program for those who are currently attending a public school in the Jannali catchment area.

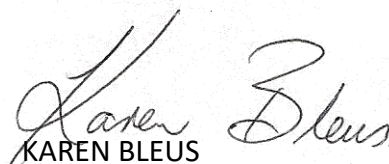
For further details, please contact Karen Bleus, Program Coordinator and Teacher, at The Jannali High School (phone: 9521 2805 Ext 139).

Please complete the enclosed application form and parent nomination form and return to your child's teacher before Wednesday, 9 December, 2020.

Yours sincerely



RICK COLEMAN
Principal



KAREN BLEUS
Program Coordinator



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YES, we are interested in our child,
from Primary School participating in the
2021 HOTSCOS Enrichment Program for talented students which will be delivered at The Jannali
High School site. Please list below, in order of preference, the course or courses in which you
wish to enroll your child: -

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I / we understand that the course fees will need to be paid to The Jannali High School prior to
the commencement of the course. **I / we also understand that excursions will incur an
additional cost which is noted on the course overview included in this letter.**

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Parent/Guardian

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Date

Parent email address:

Parent mobile contact no:

Additional comments (if desired):

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