



EXTERNAL ACADEMIC EXTENSION, CHALLENGE and COMPETITIONS POLICY

Rationale:

We are always seeking ways in which to extend our more talented students
There are a number of academic competitions available for students to take part in.
eg. Mathematics, Science and English.

These competitions come in a variety of formats for academic challenge for students to see how their abilities compare with a cross section of their peers.

Purpose:

1. To provide students with a meaningful challenge beyond their normal classroom boundaries.
2. To recognise outstanding academic rigour.
3. To stimulate students to develop their learning skills.
4. To assist in preparing students for future formal tests.

Guidelines for Implementation:

1. The nature of the competition will be screened with involvement at the discretion of the Principal.
1. Class teachers will be strongly encouraged to nominate possible participants.
2. Parents of nominated students will be invited to allow them to take part and pay the necessary fee.
3. In order to promote equity, all families will be advised of the holding of the competition, with parents able to nominate their child.
4. To ensure that students see this as a positive experience, the Principal will be responsible for the ultimate decision as to who will be invited to take part in the various competitions.
5. Students P-6 will be encouraged to pursue involvement in activities of a local and perhaps less formal nature. These usually take the form of formal tests or tournaments.