



## **Year 7 High Potential & Gifted Education Academic Program 2023 Intake**

NBSC Cromer Campus offers an extension program in Years 7 and 8 followed by graded classes in all core courses for Years 9 and 10. The program aims to extend and challenge students in all courses with an emphasis on English, Mathematics and Science. Expectations are high in terms of the performance and quality of work delivered by students. There is a focus on the development of higher order thinking skills, problem solving and on the use of differentiated models of learning.

Placement in the High Potential & Gifted Education Academic Program is based on performance in the Year 5 NAPLAN tests, performance in state-wide competitions, recommendations from Year 6 teachers, performance in an external Academic Placement Test and demonstrated commitment to achieving personal academic excellence. The child's eligibility to attend the school and the school's ability to accommodate the child is also considered when a placement is offered. Review of individual student performance occurs at the end of Semesters 1 & 2 of each year and students may change classes as determined by their individual performance and application.

In the Mathematics Extension class students work at a faster pace and follow strands which require a deeper understanding of more sophisticated techniques, proofs and methods of solution. In English, the selection of texts is more challenging with an emphasis on higher order thinking skills and critical analysis. Students in Science research more complex concepts and in greater depth. Laboratory work and the use of technology underpin the development of a deeper knowledge and understanding of Science topics.

NBSC Cromer Campus allocates teachers to the extension classes who have the expertise to develop and challenge these students, expand their knowledge and inspire them to maximise their full potential.

Information detailing the program can be accessed on:

<http://www.nbscromer-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>