



GIFTED EDUCATION PROGRAM

St Paul's College is dedicated to advancing and enriching learning experiences for students who exhibit high intellectual potential. Our Gifted Education Program is informed through strong partnerships with our families, a personalised lens and is supported by the development of a Gifted Personalised Plan for Learning (PPL) for identified students. All St Paul's learners within the Gifted Education Program are encouraged to show an active commitment to life-long learning, accept personal responsibility and strive for continual improvement in all aspects of their learning.

What do we offer?

The Gifted Education Program provides the opportunity to accelerate, extend and enrich the learning of students with exceptional intellectual potential.

Students are given the opportunity to pursue excellence and strive for their personal best within a supportive environment. We aim to support students to develop into critical and well-rounded learners who connect their knowledge and skills with the community to effectively navigate our ever changing 21st Century world. The following is offered to students who partake in the Gifted Education Program; subject and year level acceleration, enrichment, and extension.



Extend

Students are extended by their subject teachers in consultation with the 'Key Teacher - Gifted Education'. Extension at St Paul's College refers to tasks or activities that extend students within their learning and challenge them to utilise critical thinking skills.



Enrich

Enrichment at St Paul's College facilitates students to participate in excursions/incursions, competitive challenges, competitions and workshops that allow students to connect with like-minded peers from other Colleges within Adelaide. Identified students at St Paul's College are involved in a range of programs, including but not limited to:

- ANZAC Spirit Competition (Years 9 & 10) Ethics Olympiad (Years 7 to 9)
- Gateways THINK Masterclass (Years 5 to 9)
- ICAS Assessments (Years 3 to 12)
- Headstart with the University of Adelaide (Years 11 & 12) Robotics Competition (Years 7 to 12)
- Rostrum Voice of Youth, SA (Years 7 to 12)
- Robotics Club (Years 4 to 6)
- Science and Engineering Challenge (Years 7 to 12)
- Tournament on Minds (Years 5 to 6).



Accelerate

Subject acceleration is provided as an option for students who show advanced aptitude of one or more year levels in a specific subject of interest or passion. Students access advanced content in the specific subject area and are graded against alternative achievement standards at the higher curriculum year level.

Year level acceleration is also considered at St Paul's College for students who are excelling by one or more year levels in all academic subject areas. Personal circumstances, wellbeing and other considerations are made by the College who makes the final decision.

How are students identified?

Students are identified using a range of measures, including, but not limited to:

- AGAT 2ND Edition Testing (through ACER) on transition into the College (Years 2 and beyond)
- Formal subject teacher referral
- Information provided from student's previous Primary or Secondary School
- Data analysis
- Consultation with the student and parent(s)/caregiver(s)
- Consideration of personal circumstances, wellbeing and other relevant information.