



MARSDEN HIGH SCHOOL

PINNACLE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Dear Parents and Carers

Please find attached an application form for the **Marsden High School Pinnacle Program**.

The Pinnacle Program is a Year 7 and Year 8 program that offers extension activities to high achieving, gifted and talented students. If your child is interested in applying for this program, please fill out the application form and return to Marsden High School by **Friday 1 May 2020**.

Please attach the most current school report and NAPLAN results to your application.

THE PROCESS:

1. Submit application by **Friday 1 May 2020**.
2. Selected students will be invited to attend a Pinnacle Preparation Day on **Tuesday 23 June 2020**.
3. Selected students will attend a Pinnacle Assessment Day on either **Wednesday 5 August** or **Monday 10 August 2020**.
4. Successful applicants will be notified on **Friday 21 August 2020**.

If you require any further information, please contact benita.muller1@det.nsw.edu.au

Yours sincerely

Ms S van der Kley
Pinnacle Coordinator

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

will be considered for placement on the basis of the following information:

- * The Application - the Parent Survey and Student Survey**
- * Information provided from your child's primary school (NAPLAN, school reports)**
- * Additional information or evidence provided by you with the application**
- * Attendance and participation on the Pinnacle Preparation Day and Assessment Day**
- * Letter of Support from your child's primary school teacher (when requested)**

Please present this application to school reception or post or email to Marsden High School.

MARSDEN HIGH SCHOOL

22A WINBOURNE STREET, WEST RYDE NSW 2114

POST:

PO BOX 432, WEST RYDE 1685

EMAIL:

marsden-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au



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PINNACLE PROGRAM - APPLICATION FORM

STUDENT INFORMATION:

FIRST NAME:

SURNAME:

DATE OF BIRTH:

PRIMARY
SCHOOL:

LOCAL
HIGH
SCHOOL:

PARENT / CARER INFORMATION:

FIRST NAME

SURNAME:

ADDRESS:

HOME PHONE:

WORK
PHONE:

MOBILE:

EMAIL:

FIRST NAME:

SURNAME:

ADDRESS:

HOME PHONE:

WORK
PHONE:

MOBILE:

EMAIL:

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PARENT SURVEY | SECTION A

Please mark the category you think best describes your child.

STUDENT NAME:

CHARACTERISTICS:

| | Most of the Time | Often | Occasionally | Rarely |
|---|------------------|-------|--------------|--------|
| Has advanced vocabulary, expresses self clearly and fluently. | | | | |
| Thinks quickly. | | | | |
| Recalls facts easily. | | | | |
| Wants to know how things work. | | | | |
| Is an avid reader. | | | | |
| Asks reasons why - questions almost everything. | | | | |
| Likes grown-up things and to be with older people. | | | | |
| Has a great deal of curiosity. | | | | |
| Is persistent. Sticks to task. | | | | |
| Is independent and self-sufficient. | | | | |
| Has a good sense of humour. | | | | |

CHARACTERISTICS CONTINUED:

| | Most of the Time | Often | Occasionally | Rarely |
|--|------------------|-------|--------------|--------|
| Has a wide range of interests. | | | | |
| Shows initiative. | | | | |
| Seeks own answers and solutions to problems. | | | | |
| Has a great interest in the future and/or world problems. | | | | |
| Follows complex directions. | | | | |
| Is a leader. | | | | |
| Enjoys complicated games. | | | | |
| Sets high goals for self. | | | | |
| Has a broad attention span which allows concentration on and perseverance in problem solving and pursuit of interests. | | | | |

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PARENT SURVEY | PART B

STUDENT NAME:

| | | | |
|--|-----|------------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Did your child read before starting school? | Yes | If YES, was the child self taught? | Yes |
| | No | | No |

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|--|-----|------------------------------|
| 2. Does your child play a musical instrument(s)? | Yes | If YES, which instrument(s)? |
| | No | |

3. Out of school, which activities does your child participate in?

4. What are your child's special hobbies or interests?

5. What books has your child enjoyed reading lately? Why?

6. What area of Mathematics interests your child the most? Why?

7. **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Evidence should be attached to your application, e.g. copies of certificates, competition results, articles etc. Photos of awards (trophies, medallions etc.) can be included. Please do not send any original documents or items.

8. **LEADERSHIP:** Evidence should be attached to your application (copies only), e.g. school report, school newsletter, newspaper article, certificates etc. Photos of awards can be included.

Please indicate:

- School Captain
- Vice Captain
- SRC
- Sports Captain
- Prefect
- Other

9. **SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT(S):**
If applicable, please indicate the level of your child's sporting achievement(s).

HIGHEST LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT AT BOTH SCHOOL AND CLUB LEVEL

| | Zone | Area | State | Club | Rep |
|--------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|-----|
| SWIMMING | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| CRICKET | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| FOOTBALL (SOCCER) | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| TENNIS | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| OTHER please specify below. | | | | | |

Please specify
sport:

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STUDENT SURVEY

STUDENT NAME:

PRIMARY
SCHOOL:

AGE:

Dear Student,

I am looking forward to meeting you later this year. In the meantime, please answer the following questions so that I can learn a little more about you. There are no right or wrong answers. Please hand write your responses within the space provided.

Best wishes,

Ms S van der Kley
Pinnacle Coordinator

QUESTIONS

1. Describe one
interest or hobby
you have outside
of school.

What do you
enjoy about it?

2. In what ways
do you think that
High School will
be different to
Primary School?

3. If you could
improve one thing
about the world
you live in what
would it be?
What part can you
play in making this
happen?