

MAHANA SCHOOL PROCEDURE

GIFTED AND TALENTED

Rationale

Mahana School will identify students and groups of students who have special needs including gifted and talented students.

Definition

Mahana School defines the terms “giftedness” and “talent” as:

- Giftedness is seen as potential
- Talent refers to actual performance, which is distinctly above average in one or more fields (academic / intellectual, emotional / social, aesthetic / artistic, physical)

Procedure

- Giftedness and talent will be identified through:
 - Teacher Observation and Nomination
 - Standardised Tests
 - Parent Nomination
 - Self Nomination
 - Performance or Audition
- Children identified as gifted will have their names recorded.
- Teachers will provide curriculum differentiation to meet the needs of identified students through:
 - Cross grouping
 - Programmes outside the classroom
 - On-line learning
- Opportunities for professional development will be accessed as required.
- The programme will be resourced appropriately.

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