

Whitfield State School

A world of opportunities...

Resilience, Responsibility, Respect



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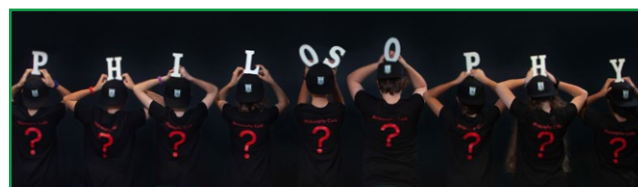
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Whitfield State School PEAK Programs

A Quality Well-Rounded Education and a Place for Everyone!

At Whitfield State School, our priority is to ensure that every day, all of our students have access to a high quality well-rounded education that meets their learning and interest needs.

Connecting students of similar interests and abilities through a wide range of quality general, specialist and extra-curricular activities is fundamental to our success and to student engagement and building strong self-esteem. That is why in addition to accredited high quality teaching, we offer the widest range of specialist and extra curricular opportunities of any primary school in Cairns.



Excellence in Gifted Education



Whitfield State school is the recognised school of choice for educating gifted students. This reputation is due to our: Strong experience with early identification; Research accredited high potential learner ready classrooms; Deep learning focus; and Range of extension pathways such as our **Philosophy Café, Mathematics Extension, Astronomy Extension, Sustainability Projects** and the **Solid Pathways Program**. Our nationally recognised Gifted Education Coordinator, Mrs Annette Ryan, supports students, teachers and families in all areas of this program.



Early Years Nature Play

An integral element of the suite of opportunities our school provides to support our children's physical, emotional and academic growth is our nature playground. The playground, which has been built based on a narrative of Rooey the Kangaroo and his friends, is a specially designed play environment that consists of elements and textures from the earth such as tree logs, tree stumps, boulders, hills, plants and drainage paths, with the addition of other man-made structures. The natural landscapes and challenging elements include materials that are not evenly spaced or predictable and lend themselves to providing opportunities for children to play, explore, use their senses, imagine and be challenged. Our play area invites open-ended interactions, spontaneity, risk taking, exploration, discovery and connection with nature - a great opportunity for children to build their confidence through play.



Excellence in Languages and Culture

Tolerance, understanding and cultural celebrations are an important part of our diverse school. Whitfield students come from more than 25 different countries and speak just as many different languages in their homes. We hold a full accreditation to provide **international study programs** to students on visas as well as for school study programs and tours. These opportunities add strongly to the vibrancy and experience of our school language programs where students from years 3 to 6 study either **Japanese or Mandarin** on a weekly basis. A range of other cultural and language clubs further support the diversity of student learning.



Excellence in The Arts

With **specialist Music, Dance and Drama teachers** providing a wide range of programs across the school, our School Arts' program is second to none. From dedicated specialist weekly lessons across the school to lunchtime Dance, Visual Arts, Drama clubs and Choirs students can build their skills and interest.



From Year 3, interested students can study **Brass, Woodwind, Strings and Percussion instruments** through our award winning instrumental music program.

Older students have the opportunity to hone their performance skills in our **Dance Extension, Drama Extension and Song Writer Academies**.

Regular performances such as music nights, academy shows and assembly performances in addition to our school musical provide lots of opportunities for students to showcase their talents.



Excellence in 21st Century Ready Learning

Ensuring that our children are prepared for the learning and employment opportunities of the future is a critical role that schools play. At Whitfield we want to ensure that our children not only have the digital skills to be able to navigate those opportunities but the thinking and communication skills to take advantage of these as well.



We work to ensure that students are ready for this challenge by:

- Learning through activities related to sustainability, design, entrepreneurship, technology and citizenship in our general classrooms.
- Learning coding and robotics in specialist lessons.
- Interests and passions are extended and enriched through lunchtime clubs as well as our **Digital Technology Academy** in our **Imaginarium** space.



Excellence in Sport and Fitness

Excellence in sport is an area that Whitfield prides itself in and we have a proud history of success. The school has a wide range of opportunities, from participation through fun clubs and activities like our before school Spark program, lunchtime clubs and team practices all the way through to representative and high performance coaching opportunities with our **after school excellence programs** or our **Sport and Fitness Academy**.





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Each striving for the peak

Expression of Interest for Enrolment

Entry Details

Desired Level/s: Prep Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

Commencement Year: Current School/Kindy:

Enrolment Type: In Catchment Out of Catchment Sibling Excellence Program

Reason for Out of Catchment Enrolment (if required)

Student Details (youngest child if more than 1)

Multiple Enrolments: Yes

Student Name:

Date of Birth: / /

Correspondence Details

Full Name:

Postal Address:

Email: Phone:

Please return completed EOI and attach most recent report card (if school aged) to the school's Administration:

Email: enrolments@whitfieldss.eq.edu.au

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