**SEAL AT GLADSTONE PARK**

**WHAT IS SEAL?**

The SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING program is designed to cater for the special educational needs of gifted and highly able students. There are 39 accredited SEAL schools in Victoria, and we are proud to have been a SEAL school since 2007.

**CURRICULUM ACCELERATION**

Students in the SEAL program experience the full breadth of curriculum offered at the college, however, they move through their learning at a faster pace. This method of curriculum acceleration is called telescoping. Telescoping is when a group of students complete several years of the school’s curriculum in less time. For example, Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 are completed in a total of three, rather than four years. In a ‘telescopied’ curriculum, material is not ‘skipped’ but students are able to move speedily through a topic. In this way, the needs of gifted and high potential students are met by eliminating repetition and considerably increasing the pace of instruction. In the SEAL program at Gladstone Park, SEAL students will be supported to achieve AusVELS level 10 by the end of Year 9 in core subjects. This provides students with a challenging and engaging learning environment.

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SEAL is a specialised accelerated learning program specifically designed for Gifted and Highly Able Students. Gladstone Park is the only school in the area authorised to offer the state accredited Select Entry Accelerated Learning program.

“I have achieved more and I like learning at my standard”

**KNOWLEDGE IS POWER**
In order to promote holistic and engaging learning, the curriculum for Gladstone Park’s SEAL program is designed around the Harvard Graduate School of Education’s framework of ‘Metacurriculum’. This specifically addresses the development of student’s higher order knowledge and ability to problem solve. Specifically, this framework addresses:

• Building deep levels of understanding
• Encompassing students’ intellectual passions
• Developing / utilising a deep language of learning
• Developing sound personal and interpersonal learning to learn strategies
• Providing frameworks and tools for transfer of knowledge and skills
• Developing strong and proficient skills in using ICT.

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Further information

See contact details below if you would like to discuss this program further with: The Junior School Principal or the SEAL Coordinator. For important dates & application forms, see GPSC website.

Useful tool

A useful tool for identifying gifted and high potential students can be found at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/primary/Pages/gifted.aspx

Zone boundaries

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