



Queensland Baptists Education Company Ltd
Trading as Bayside Christian College Hervey Bay
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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

Bayside Christian College offers extension opportunities to foster and develop the special abilities of high ability students. The Spinnaker Extension Program is committed to optimising students' educational outcomes and complement the classroom teacher's extension activities, to develop critical, creative and reflective problem-solvers. We strive to provide challenging and meaningful learning experiences within a supportive environment. Students participate in a range of internal and external competitions, as well as lessons to extend and enrich their problem-solving abilities. Through the development of an extension program the college addresses an educational commitment to allow all students to have access to learning experiences to reach their full potential.

Students will have the opportunity to participate in various project-based learning activities that will support and provide deeper extension into the curriculum. Our Years 5 and 6 students are invited to attend Extension Numeracy and Extension Literacy classes each week that will best prepare them for their transition to Secondary School. Students will be supported, both in and out of the classroom, to develop their critical thinking skills to become lifelong learners.

Selection to the Spinnaker Extension Program will be based on the following criteria:

- Consistent and high levels of academic performance on semester reports
- Evidence of consistently high levels of behaviour and effort in all subjects
- High level of results obtained in PAT-M and PAT-R testing
- Teacher nomination form
- Student self-nomination form
- Positive commitment to the Spinnaker Extension Program

The final selection of students will be decided by the Principal, Director of Learning Enrichment, Head of Senior School, Head of Junior School and Extension Coordinator. Successful students will receive a welcome letter and further information regarding the Spinnaker Extension Program.

Student self-nomination forms are available at the Office. Please return the completed form to the Office by **Wednesday 16 March 2022 @ 3:15 pm.**

Yours faithfully

Bianca Carter
Spinnaker Coordinator

Kathy Jamieson
Director of Learning Enrichment