HIGH ACHIEVER’S PROGRAM 2014

Thornbury High School conducts a High Achiever’s Program for Year 7 students. The students who are selected to participate in this exciting program will cover the regular Year 7 curriculum, but will also be undertaking activities which will provide extension and additional challenge in their learning.

The High Achiever’s Program encompasses the Key Learning Areas of English, Mathematics, Humanities, Science and Art, with the students remaining as a discrete group for their tuition in these subjects. However, it is important that students within the Program have the opportunity to socialise and learn with a larger cohort of students and so they undertake their studies within the areas of LOTE, Physical Education and Sport in mixed groups.

The High Achievers’ Program initially runs for two years in Years 7 and 8. In Year 9 students are involved in an authentic learning program with an emphasis on team learning, connections to the local community and extensive use of Information and Communication Technology. When these students are in Year 10, they will be provided with the opportunity for extension and challenge through a combination of extension mathematics, elective subjects and some VCE studies. The participation of all students in the Program will be reviewed every six months to ensure that they are making satisfactory progress.

The School believes that students in the High Achiever’s Program:

- will be more motivated and productive because they will be learning at a more advanced level
- will enter VCE with highly developed study skills; and
- have the opportunity to study subjects in depth and to employ a greater range of higher order thinking skills.

The School also believes in the importance of all students achieving their personal best and the High Achiever’s Program is one of a number of initiatives which will help us achieve this goal.

If you and your child are interested in the program please fill out the Application Form on the back of this letter and return it to Thornbury High School with a copy of your child’s Grade 5 NAPLAN results.

Yours Sincerely,

Peter Egeberg
Principal
THORNBURY HIGH SCHOOL
HIGH ACHIEVERS PROGRAM 2014
Application Form

FAMILY NAME OF STUDENT: .................................................................

GIVEN NAME: .......................................................... SEX: MALE / FEMALE

PARENT[S]/GUARDIAN[S] NAME[S]:

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TELEPHONE NO: HOME: .................. MOBILE/WORK: .................

NAME OF SCHOOL IN 2013...............................................................

NAME OF TEACHER IN 2013............................................................

Why do you want to be part of the High Achievers’ Program? [Student to Answer]

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