



Thinking Outside The Box Programs

Programs for Term 1, 2012

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Introduction to 'Thinking Outside The Box' Programs

These programs are for children who have been identified as having high ability. They are available to students from local schools.

The goals of each program are to:

- Develop deeper thinking habits and strategies.
- Learn and practise a range of problem-solving skills.
- Foster each child's ability to work in groups of like-minded children.
- Develop reflective skills and encourage students to challenge themselves in any learning environment.
- Build children's confidence in their abilities and increase their expectations about what is achievable.
- Encourage each child to develop and pursue personal interests and passions.
- Develop children's skills at asking 'good' questions based on deeper thinking and evaluation.
- Provide a forum for exploring what it means to be 'highly able' in a like-minded community.

The programs described in this flyer may also include:

- Use of a range of thinking strategies and learning habits.
- Maths, logic and word challenges designed to stimulate creative thinking and problem solving.

Programs for next term

Programs are being offered for a range of age groups, times and subjects next term. The details of the programs are attached to this notice.

Host schools for next term

- Scoresby Primary, 11 Ingrid St, Scoresby, 3179. Tel: 9763 7484 Assistant Principal: Mrs Chris McEvoy
- Tecoma Primary, 1536 Burwood Highway, Tecoma, 3160. Tel: 9754 2354 Principal: Mr Rohan Thompson

How to register

1. Select the program you would like your child to attend. (Please consult with your child's teacher about the most suitable times and programs.)
2. Complete and send the enclosed Registration Form to P.O. Box 1389, Upwey, Victoria, 3158 or register by phone or email by **Wednesday January 18th 2012**.
3. You will receive an invoice and your **payment** will be due by **Wednesday February 8th 2012**.

Price & payment information

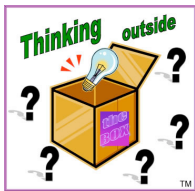
The costs of the programs are shown on the enclosed registration form and reflect the number of hours of each program. You will be issued with an invoice after your Registration Form is received. Your child's place on the program will be confirmed upon receipt of your full payment.

Guarantee

We are so confident in the quality of *Thinking Outside The Box Programs* that we offer a refund if you are not satisfied.

Registrations must be received by

5pm, Wednesday January 18th 2012



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Grades 1 & 2

<p>Day: Tuesdays</p> <p>Times: 1:30 - 3:30 pm (No breaks)</p> <p>Dates: 14th February 21st February 28th February 6th March 13th March 20th March</p> <p>Venue: Tecoma PS</p> <p>Cost: \$193.60 (Incl. GST)</p>	<p>Mostly Poetry Teacher: Penny Willoughby (English) 6 weeks</p> <p>Let's have some fun with words! In this program, we'll play with words in lots of different ways. We'll write some funny and strange poems. Would you like to learn how to write a caterpillar poem? How about writing a poem about doors? We'll also read lots of poems like the <i>Triantiwontigongalope</i> and <i>Mulga Bill's Bicycle</i>. You'll love <i>Jeremiah Obadiah</i>. It's so much fun to say and do the actions!</p> <p>You'll also have a chance to illustrate and publish a poem you've written. Before you know it, you'll be a poet!</p> <p>If you like words and rhyming, you'll love this program.</p>
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Grades 3 & 4

<p>Day: Thursdays</p> <p>Times: 9:00 am – 12:30 pm (Includes one break)</p> <p>Dates: 23rd February 1st March 8th March 15th March 22nd March 29th March</p> <p>Venue: Scoresby PS</p> <p>Cost: \$279.40 (Incl. GST)</p>	<p>Mysterious Stories Teacher: Rachel Whitworth (English) 6 weeks</p> <p>Do you enjoy stories that are mysterious or strange in some way? Would you like to write a story that makes the reader wonder, get goose bumps, or makes their hair stand on end?</p> <p>In this program you will start with a set of wonderful illustrations that were found in mysterious circumstances. One or more of these illustrations could be just the inspiration you need to write an amazing story. You'll explore the genre of fantasy and how to write convincingly about the strange world or circumstances in which the characters in your story find themselves. You will have the opportunity to present your story to an audience, making them wonder, giving them goose bumps and maybe even making their hair stand on end!</p> <p>If you'd like to be the author of a mysterious story, wonder no longer - book in to this program.</p>
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Grades 5 & 6

<p>Day: Tuesdays</p> <p>Times: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm (Includes one break)</p> <p>Dates: 21st February 28th February 6th March 13th March</p> <p>Venue: Tecoma PS</p> <p>Cost: \$222.20 (Incl. GST)</p>	<p>Myths and Legends Teacher: Penny Willoughby (English) 4 weeks</p> <p>Myths and legends create a mystical, fascinating world. In this program you will write your own myth or legend. To help you do this, you will first explore myths and legends from a range of times and cultures, including ancient Greek, Asian and Aboriginal Australian. You'll find out how these magical stories originated and their purposes. You'll decide who were the central characters and why they were important.</p> <p>To write your own myth or legend, you will work individually or in a group. You might choose to use original ideas or adapt a favourite myth or legend in some manner. Perhaps you'll convert an ancient myth to modern day times or make major changes to the characters. Something to consider is the contextual setting for your myth or legend. Also, it will be important to ensure your story is sensitive to the audience or its cultural origins.</p> <p>You can choose how to present your myth. Some examples are acting out a drama, writing a children's book, producing an artwork or developing a cartoon. At the end of the program, you will be able to present your myth to an audience.</p>
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