



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

About G.A.T.E.WAYS Programs

Our program provides an extension and enrichment opportunity for your high ability students. The workshops are designed to meet the specific needs of gifted and talented students and cover topics both above and beyond the school curriculum.

G.A.T.E.WAYS runs extensive programming for primary school students, to lower secondary. We currently run programs in ACT, NSW, QLD, SA and VIC and are about to offer programs in TAS and WA. We offer both on-site and on-line programs.

G.A.T.E.WAYS programs are based on the philosophy that highly able and gifted children have particular needs for stimulation and challenge that match their high level of curiosity, cognitive ability and desire to learn.

G.A.T.E.WAYS believes that children with specialised skills and talents in advance of their age and peers need both affirmation of these abilities and opportunities for challenge and talent development.

Our presenters are inspiring and creative educators whose passion and depth of knowledge is truly infectious. In collaboration with our program development team they create unique learning experiences.

Workshop content is pitched approximately two years ahead of the regular school curriculum, is fast-paced and hands-on. Each program is designed to harness the presenter's passion and skills into a student-centred exploration of the specific subject area.

A snapshot of G.A.T.E.WAYS PROGRAMS

Teacher Nominated Programs (TN)

- Students are required to be nominated by their teacher/ school to participate.
- Teachers select suitable students who display high-ability, gift/talent and/or passion in the program focus area.
- Parents are sent a **Nomination Letter** via their school and can then enrol their child in the program.
- TN programs run during school time and can be hosted at a school, a centrally located venue, or an industry-specific site (e.g. galleries, Synchrotron, recording studio, ACMI, etc.).

Parents Nominated Programs (PN)

- Parents can enrol their child directly without a nomination from the child's school.
- PN programs generally run outside of school hours (e.g. holidays, weekends, and afternoons).
- PN programs can be hosted at a school or a centrally located venue.

TN



Students participate in two workshops over the course of one day. Students participate with like-ability and like-minded peers from surrounding schools.

TN



Students participate in two workshops over the course of one day. Only students from the host school can participate in the workshops.

TN



Deep dive into a subject over four consecutive weeks. Only students from the host school can participate in the workshops.

TN



A national team-based competition for Years 3–6. Students compete to solve four challenges.

TN



On Locations take students out of the classroom and into different learning environments. Students learn at museums, galleries, and more!

PN



Festivals offer a wide range of exciting workshops with an emphasis on fun and discovery.

TN



10-hour program run for half days over four consecutive weeks. Students dive deep into a topic.

PN



A two day series of programs. Students complete three intensive leadership workshops each day of the series.

PN



A Saturday club for like-minded students. A variety of clubs run at different venues for a range of age groups and focus areas. Different learning areas happen at once.

PN



Online established in 2020 to meet a need for flexible, remote learning options for high-ability students regardless of where they live.

TN



G.A.T.E.WAYS International was formed in 2012 with the aim of extending our programs to include students attending International Schools overseas.

Why host a G.A.T.E.WAYS program?

Hosting a G.A.T.E.WAYS program is an opportunity to demonstrate a school's commitment to the educational needs of gifted and talented students.

- This is an opportunity to raise the profile of a school in the local and the wider community.
- This is an opportunity to offer a host school's students challenge beyond a school's regular program.
- Several states have implemented policies mandating the provision of extension opportunities for high-ability students.
- Providing access to G.A.T.E.WAYS programs reflects well on the host school and contributes to the school's wider provision for their gifted students.
- Host venues typically invite schools from their networks or clusters to participate in programs creating an opportunity for schools to acknowledge together the importance of gifted education.

General information

If you would like further information please contact

Meg Pini on **03 9100 1222** or email **meg@gateways.edu.au**

- G.A.T.E.WAYS has Public Liability cover of \$20,000,000.00.
- G.A.T.E.WAYS presenters are registered with their state's statutory authority for the teaching profession and/or have an Australian Working With Children Check/Blue Card (QLD).
- All G.A.T.E.WAYS staff have completed the Anaphylaxis Course or state equivalent.
- G.A.T.E.WAYS liaises with a nominated person from participating schools.
- The G.A.T.E.WAYS supervisor will be first-aid trained and will come with their own First-Aid kit and the Action Plans of any student at risk of anaphylaxis enrolled in the Program.
- G.A.T.E.WAYS has policies for the wellbeing and safety of children which include:
 - G.A.T.E.WAYS Risk management Plan;
 - Anaphylaxis Management Policy;
 - Photographs of Children and Young People Policy;
 - G.A.T.E.WAYS and the Reportable Conduct Scheme;
 - Child Safe Standards Commitment;
 - Child Safety Policy;
 - and COVID Safe Policy.



Program overview

Example of Navigate at a school

How to participate in Navigate programs



Navigate program overview

Navigate programs are extended programs for high ability students, where they take a deep-dive into a specific topic. The subject matter is wide-ranging and can cover areas not taught in the regular primary school curriculum.

Participants as young as six can become detectives solving hypothetical mysteries; work as archaeologists on a 'dig'; explore the wonders of the universe, the mathematics of infinity, the world of the brothers Grimm or Gothic literature; or take part in a philosophical 'community of inquiry'. The possibilities are unlimited!

- **This is a teacher nominated program.**
- The program is run at your school **for your students only.**
- Students attend four **90 minutes** sessions over **four consecutive weeks.**
- Schools provide **ONE teaching space** for the day.
- Each group has a **maximum of 16 students.**
- Three groups (Years 1 & 2, 3 & 4 and 5 & 6) run per program.
- Students receive a report.
- Parents receive our **Insights** digital newsletter that provides an overview of each session.
- 2024 Fee: \$225 per program per student.

Example of Navigate at a school

Navigate Program Details	Possible Times	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Years 1 and 2 Alice in Numberland	Monday 9.30–11.00 am	Session 1 Follow the White Addit	Session 2 Professor Carroll	Session 3 Divisi-billy Tea Party	Session 4 The Take Away Tarts
Years 3 and 4 Charlie’s Chewy Chocolatey Adventures	Monday 11.30 am–1.00 pm	Session 1 The Golden Ticket	Session 2 The Lucky Children	Session 3 The Chocolate Room	Session 4 The Fudge Room
Years 5 and 6 Sheriff Trigger-Nometry	Monday 1.45 pm–3.15 pm	Session 1 Deputies of Deduction	Session 2 Mayor Prime	Session 3 The Cartesian Corral	Session 4 The Angle of Doom



Scan or click the link to view an example of a **Nomination Letter**



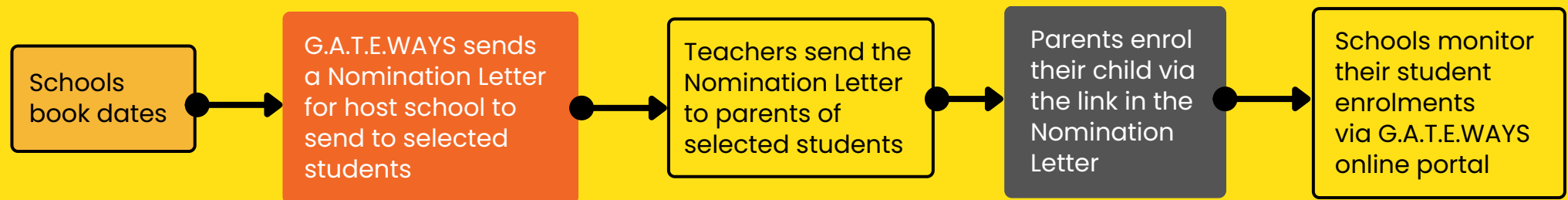
Scan or click the link to view an example of a **Navigate Insights**



Scan or click the link to view an example of a **Student Report**

How to participate in Navigate programs

ENROLMENT PROCESS



Schools are required to:

- select dates for the four weeks of the program,
- nominate suitable students to participate in the program,
- forward the Nomination Letter to parents, and
- provide ONE teaching space for up to 16 students.

G.A.T.E.WAYS aims to impose as little as possible on the Host School, we:

- will be responsible for providing all the information to participating students and their parents,
- manage student enrolment process,
- give schools access to our portal so they can view students who have enrolled from their school,
- provide an insight into the classroom for the parents so they can see the amazing activities and students' engagement over the four weeks duration,
- and provide a Student Report for each student.