

# Enrichment and Extension Activities 2024



## Challenges, Extension and Enrichment

We are pleased to again offer a range of programmes that your child may wish to participate in to enrich and extend their learning. These programmes sit beside other programmes we offer through CAPES, the Allen Centre, lunchtime workshops, inter-school competitions and class programmes.

If your child would like to take part in one (or more) of the programmes, please complete the form and send the appropriate payment to school. Entries for Kiwi Competitions close **Monday 6 May**. ICAS entries close mid July. Maths and Science Awards are available all year.

**Kiwi Competitions** – The University of Canterbury offers your child the opportunity to participate in the KIWI English, Maths and Science competitions. These competitions are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand Curriculum.

The competitions are open to all Year 5 to Year 8 students. Students can enter in one or more subjects. The supervised online tests will take place at the end of Term 2. Each child will receive an Individual Pupil Report of their performance, a certificate and prizes will be awarded to top students. All the papers have a flat cost of \$9.90.

Learn more about Kiwi Competitions here:

<https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam/kiwi-competitions/>

**International Competitions** – Students can participate in the University of New South Wales Australasian International Competitions (ICAS). The competitions are open for Year 4 to Year 8 students. We enter students in Writing, Spelling, English, Mathematics and Science. ICAS provides an opportunity for your child to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. Each student who participates will receive a certificate, either of participation or indicating their level of success, and a detailed results letter indicating which questions they answered correctly.

Learn more about ICAS here: <https://www.icasassessments.com/about-us/>

**Mathematics Achievement Challenge** – This programme challenges students to independently undertake mathematical investigations on a given topic. There are a range of (MAC) topics that Year 6 to 8 can select and four (CRACAMAC) topics for Years 4 and 5.

Details are at <https://www.maths.org.nz/>

## Science Awards –

Year 3 and 4 - Activity Challenges - students choose one of four topic sheets. Pondering on Plants, Tantalising Toys, World of Water, Weather Watch. Details at

<https://sciencebadges.co.nz/activity-challenges/>

Year 5 and 6 – Explorer Badge (Year 5), Advanced Explorer Badge (Year 6 students who have completed Explorer Badge in Year 5) - students complete eight science activities one from each Science discipline. E.g. Planet Earth - record the weather for seven days. Details at <https://sciencebadges.co.nz/explorer-badges/>

Year 7 and 8 Science Badge – Students select a science area of interest e.g. Home Chemistry and complete a range of activities to earn 20 stars. A list of Science Badge topics is available at <https://sciencebadges.co.nz/science-badges/>

The programmes do not suit all students and require an enthusiasm for exploration and investigation, and ability with independent study. If this is your child's first try at this kind of work, select a learning area and topic that they will be successful in. I am happy to talk to any parent about the different programmes.

If all orders for Maths and Science activities could be in by **Friday 10th May** I will make a bulk order as postage is expensive. I will put in an order each term as needed.

It is always a pleasure to share in students' success and present the awards at an assembly.

### **Peggy Stedman Passion Project**

This fund was established in 2017, in memory of Peggy Stedman (12 April 1950 – 30th May 2017), parent, Allen Centre Educator, school librarian, educational innovator and friend to all those who entered the Allen Centre doors. The Allen Centre as a physical entity, and as a programme of learning, is the legacy of the vision and drive of Peggy Stedman.

Valued in Peggy's work with children, was an ability to recognise a 'spark' of interest in an idea; an area of cultural, art or academic endeavour. Peggy would 'ignite' that spark, guiding children to 'think outside the square' and productively and actively follow a newly found passion.

The Peggy Stedman Passion Project is established, to allow the students of Outram School the opportunity to actively and productively follow an area of 'passion'. – Please contact the Principal for guidelines on how an application can be made to access this funding and to support your child to successfully complete their passion project.

Regards



**Kim Allan**  
Principal

*Please note those students who have started their Maths Challenges, and Science Badges in 2023 are able to continue to complete them in 2024.*

# Enrichment and Extension Programmes 2024

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year level: \_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_

Please enter my child in:

## Kiwi Competitions

English	Monday 18 June	\$9.90 <input type="checkbox"/>
Maths	Thursday 27 June	\$9.90 <input type="checkbox"/>
Science	Monday 4 August	\$9.90 <input type="checkbox"/>

## ICAS

ICAS Writing	Monday 5 August	\$27.75 <input type="checkbox"/>
ICAS English	Thursday 13 August	\$21.50 <input type="checkbox"/>
ICAS Science	Monday 20 August	\$21.50 <input type="checkbox"/>
ICAS Spelling	Thursday 22 August	\$21.50 <input type="checkbox"/>
ICAS Mathematics	Thursday 27 August	\$21.50 <input type="checkbox"/>

## Mathematics Achievement Challenge

Chosen topic:	\$10.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
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There is \$6 p&h charge so bulk orders will be made where possible.

## Science Awards

Science Activity Challenge (Year 3-4)	Chosen topic:	\$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Explorer Badge (Year 5)		\$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Advance Explorer Badge (Year 6)		\$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
Science Badge (Year 7-8)	Chosen topic:	\$6.00 <input type="checkbox"/>

**NB:** There is a \$10 p&h charge so bulk orders will be made where possible.

Total Payment Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_