

Whitfield State School

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Year established: 1989

Number of students: 860

At Whitfield State School we are close to tropical rainforests, the Great Barrier Reef and some of Australia's most beautiful natural environments.

We are one of the larger schools in the Cairns area.

Our teachers use successfully proven teaching practices such as Explicit Instruction and Learning Consolidation to maximise student learning.

We teach structured programs across the school in mathematics, reading, writing and spelling to achieve high levels of literacy and numeracy.

Our school motto 'Each Striving for the Peak' shows our belief that every child can succeed.

We are immensely proud of our reputation for providing an excellent education in a safe, caring environment.



Special programs

- Gifted and Talented Program:
 - Actively identifies students who are gifted regardless of ethnicity, location, (dis)ability, gender or economic status
 - Improves student learning outcomes through innovative curriculum delivery
 - Fosters collaborative partnerships
- Excellence in Sports Programs (Years 4 to 6):
 - Provides expert coaching for identified students to further enhance skill development and knowledge in four chosen sports – AFL, netball, football (soccer) and basketball
 - Encourages students to participate and represent Whitfield State School at inter-school, district, regional and state sporting events

Extracurricular activities

- Dance
- Drama
- Technology (Years 4 to 6)
- Active Student Leadership Programs
- Musical Marvels Cultural Performance Night
- Choral music program
- Cairns Junior Eisteddfod
- Islander Singing Group
- Students' Arts Festival
- Science on the Oval (SOTO) Program
- Annual Athletics Carnival
- International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

School facilities

- Large undercover area and smaller undercover shelters
- Library/Technology Centre
- Two large sports ovals
- Student with Disabilities Centre
- Preparatory classrooms
- Instrumental Music Room
- Tuckshop serving healthy food, open every day for morning tea and lunch
- Multi-level Senior Learning Centre

Languages

- Chinese (Mandarin) (Years 3 to 6)
- Japanese (Years 3 to 6)
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D)

