Sale Specialist School
Excellence in Special Education for students in the Wellington Shire

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SALE SPECIALIST SCHOOL
No. 5175

Middle Years
**School Overview**

Sale Specialist School is a purpose built school with attractive secure grounds, well equipped classrooms and a staff who are committed to ensuring each student has the opportunity to succeed in all areas of their school life. A senior campus is housed within the grounds of the local Secondary College. The school Community values respect, acceptance, teamwork, commitment, support, communication and integrity.

The school is a specialist school with teachers and ancillary staff catering for the needs of students with an intellectual disability and many additional needs. Students are aged from 4 years 8 months to 18 years and may be enrolled fulltime or on a dual enrolment basis with a mainstream school.

The school is staffed by trained teachers, teacher assistants, allied health personnel and ancillary staff. Students travel from within the Wellington Shire on transport provided by the Department of Education & Training. Vehicles are wheelchair accessible, equipped with seatbelts and air-conditioning.

**Purpose**

Sale Specialist School provides excellence in Special Education in a supportive and caring environment through the provision of comprehensive individual learning programs that meet the needs of and challenge individual students while building on their abilities.

**Curriculum**

Dedicated teachers provide excellent learning opportunities for all students through quality programs based on outstanding teaching and learning practices. Curriculum areas covered include English, The Arts, Mathematics, Health & Physical Education, Information Technology, Science and Civics and citizenship.

**Individual Education Plans**

Individual Education Plans are developed in consultation with parents/carers and allied professionals. Plans are designed and implemented to meet the needs of and challenge individual students while building on their abilities.

**Communication**

Communication programs developed in conjunction with the speech pathologist are implemented by all staff across the school. Programs aim to further develop the communication, language and literacy skills of all students. Assisted, Augmentative Communication techniques and tools are utilized to give non-verbal students the opportunity to make choices, make their wants and needs known and communicate with others.

**Parental Involvement**

The school has an open door policy and welcomes parents and volunteers into the classrooms and values their assistance in a variety of programs.

**Enrichment Programs**

With a committed staff, small class groupings and a network of enthusiastic volunteers we are able to offer students a wide variety of enrichment programs which include:

- Speech Pathology, Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy
- Health & Human Relations Program
- Swimming, Hydrotherapy, Sailability & Physical Education Programs
- Excursions & Camps
- Homecrafts and independent living skills programs
- Interschool programs in the area of the Arts & Physical Education
- Travel training
- Social skills development
- Student Achievement Awards
- An excellent computer/student ratio
- Annual Christmas Concert and celebration of abilities
- Rev it up—anger management