

## Special Programs

Points awarded for programs are dependent on the length of commitment.

- Half day per week, per term: 2 points.  
e.g. Young Carers, Messengers Program, School Based Student Services Programs
- Full day per week, per term: 5 points  
e.g. SPICE

## Active Membership of School Committee and Teams (2 points each)

These are activities that require attendance or participation in the student's non-class time e.g. lunch time or after school.

- Gold Creek SRC
- School Board
- Band, Choir, Dance
- Theatre productions
- Environment Club

## Public Performances 1 point each

- Band, singing, dancing, etc
- Participating in a community production
- Eisteddfod

**Personal Challenge** points are negotiable to a maximum of 5 points in each year.

They must be negotiated with the Head of Middle School and approved by the Principal before commencement. Challenges need to be specific and measurable.



## How to Claim your points

Students claim their points by completing a claim form, available from home room teachers and Student Services. Students must have it verified by a staff member; sports coach etc. and submit it in the points box at Student Services.

**All claims are expected to be made by the end of week 8 each term. Students are encouraged to claim their points on a regular basis.**



# Gold Creek Middle School Points System

Points are awarded for the Academic Program and for School and Community involvement. Middle School points accumulate from year to year in Years 7 and 8, but stand alone in Year 6.

Points are awarded in order to acknowledge the students who contribute their time and effort towards making Gold Creek School a happier and more successful experience for students, staff and the wider community.

At the end of Year 8 students will receive a Gold Creek School Certificate of Graduation from Middle School as they transition into Senior School [Years 9 and 10]. The graduate students must earn a **minimum** of 200 points over Years 7 and 8, 100 from the Academic Program and 100 from School and Community Involvement. New students will earn points on a pro-rata basis (50 points per semester).

Successful graduation can be achieved by simply meeting all course requirements and participating in expected school activities.

| Middle School Graduating Level | Minimum total points at each level |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Graduation Certificate         | 200 points                         |
| Graduation with Merit          | 275 points                         |
| Graduation with Distinction    | 320 points                         |

Year 6 student who achieve a level of 100 points for the year will receive a certificate of achievement.

### Academic Programs

#### Units of Study

Students gain 5 points for each semester course they successfully complete [D grade or better or status]. Where the course of study is subject to an Individual Learning Plan and the student is successful in meeting the goals of the ILP, this will generate 5 points per subject even if no grade is awarded.

#### Academic Activities

- Competitions, such as the Science, Maths Informatics, and English Competitions, 1 point each
- Debating Team, 2 points
- Da Vinci Decathlon, 2 points
- CREST, 2 points
- Maths Enrichment, 2 points
- NAPLAN, 1 point

#### Student Portfolio - 5 points

Each element of the student portfolio completed

by the due date (Year 6 only).

### School and Community involvement

#### Work Habits

These points are awarded for the active participation in class activities, completing homework and assignments and being prepared for class activities and are reflected in the end of semester reports under *effort*.

- Effort Grade 1 = 5 points
- Effort Grade 2 = 4 points
- Effort Grade 3 = 3 points
- Effort Grade 4 = 1 point
- Effort Grade 5 = 0 points

These are automatically credited to each student.

#### Active participation in school life

(1 point unless otherwise indicated)

Participation can be as a competitor, organiser, house supporter or volunteer for defined duties

- Attending a sports carnival
- Significant participation in a sports carnival (competing in a lot of events)
- Active participation in class based school culture activities
- Uniform compliance (wearing correct uniform **including footwear**) ½ point per week

Jackets/Jumpers should be plain navy or maroon. In Term 2 & 3 an additional ½ point per week.

**Points will not be given for PARTIAL uniform or uniform with added garments such as coloured undershirts.**

- Sun Smart (regularly wearing a hat outdoors) 2 points per semester
- Punctuality (no late notes or truancy) ½ point per week
- Being a buddy for a new student over a period of time. (1 point, signed off by Executive Teacher)

#### Community and Volunteer work (1 point each)

- Guide or assist at school functions e.g. Year 5 transition visits, open night, parent information evenings, etc.
- Red Cross, St Vincent De Paul, Salvos - door knocks, etc.
- Student representation at official forums
- On-going sanctioned volunteer work in the community

#### Sport and Recreation (1 point each)

- School representative in a sport
- Zone representative in a sport
- ACT representative in a sport
- Australian representative in a sport
- Coaching a team