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# Parafield Gardens R-7 School

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## Additional Experiences and Programs

### Gifted and Talents of Students

All students are challenged through teachers differentiating the curriculum within classrooms. On occasions individual students are accelerated in curriculum areas through specific programs and opportunities. This has been evident with the school's industry partner SAAB Australia.

### Choirs

Students in both the Primary and Middle Years can volunteer their participation in the school choir. Committed students participate in different performances such as in the Festival of Music performance in September. A Junior and Signing choir are also available for students to participate in.

### Festival of Music Troupe

Students in Years 6 and 7 have the opportunity to audition for the Festival of Music Troupe. The Troupe is a dance and drama program made up of students from DECD schools from across the state. Successful students attend rehearsals and then perform at both the Festival of Music program and the Gawler Festival of Music.

### Paws and Claws

Paws and Claws is a club open to all students in Years 5-7. The extra-curricular club meets once a week to raise awareness about endangered species and protect the wellbeing of all animals. Working together they strive to bring peace to the environment. Past experiences within the club has led to different fundraising events for organisations such as the Animal Welfare League, Save the Quoll, Orangutan Foundation International and *Voiceless*.

### Youth Environment Council

Students in Year 7 are invited to submit an application to be on the Youth Environment Council. The Youth Environment Council is a state wide initiative that enables members from Year 7 through to High School increase their awareness of environmental issues, and advocate for change in the school and wider community. Students selected meet with other members from around the state; attend different forums, and also a camp. In Term 4, students present their project at a special event, enabling them to develop their leadership and public speaking skills. Over the past two years, students from Parafield Gardens R-7 School have been selected on the council.

### Wakakirri

Wakakirri Story Dance is a primary school dance festival that promotes health and wellbeing. Currently students in Years 6 and 7 have the opportunity to participate in the program both as a member of the cast or the backstage crew. Successful students rehearse each week during school time as part of an arts program in preparation for their performance which is held at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre in Term 3.

### SAPSASA

Students in Years 5-7 are eligible to participate in various sporting events throughout the year. Specialist teachers are responsible for organising trials, selecting teams, training and coaching participants.