

Ashvin Balavignan – 2023 Speaker

Highest Score Achiever of Quantitative reasoning and Abstract Reasoning. Total GATE score 317.23

Perth Modern School

Dear parents, students and staff

My name is Ashvin Balavignan. I am studying Year 7 at Perth Modern School. I have been attending the school for a term, and it is one of the most academic, successful schools in Perth. The way to attend this academic high school is through the Gifted and Talented Program examination.

Year six was a big and eventful year for me, I sat the GATE examination and received the highest score in Quantitative Reasoning and Abstract Reasoning, and my total score is 317.23.

North Shore has been a big part of my life. I am lucky that my parent had chosen North Shore where is a learning centre that strives to educate anyone in Maths, English, Non-Verbal and even Science. It is suitable for all ages, from kindergarten to ATAR/WACE students. The North Shore program is an accomplished, renowned program that is built on many different experiences, following a tested model that is known for educational success.

The classes that run at North Shore are designed to embrace children's education. I started class in the morning, where I can utilise my ability in a fresh way. If a class member has performed well to a good standard, then they are given "certificates". These are unique to only one or two members of the class and encourage the studying spirit even more. After a student has collected a certain number of certificates, they are presented with a trophy at the end of the year or term. I feel proud of these trophies that are made of a varnished, silver and gold surface, and can be an admirable reward for my hard work and dedication.

Do not let North Shore's passion for education and high GATE and ATAR scores scare you into thinking that it is a prison with people being forced to study for more than three hours. The teachers at North Shore, besides from being incredibly accomplished, are good collaborators with children. They ensure that the environment is friendly and fun, and entertaining in a positive way. This social, welcoming environment is acknowledged to give North Shore its spot as one of the most effective tuition centres.

My experience with North Shore is very influential to my academic life. In my junior primary years, the child-teacher, and pleasant class relationship ensure my success in my primary years. My collaboration and experience with North Shore allowed me to receive a high GATE score, and consequently a place in Perth Modern School. To all the students who are experiencing hard times now, keep working hard to reach for your dream goal, when you have reached it, think back at the progress you've made, you'll feel proud of yourself.

Thank you for listening and I wish you all a successful journey on the way to your goal.