Celebrating the Class of 2020

At Scotch we never shy away from our fundamental belief that if we work closely with students to give their best effort then they will reap the rewards. It is not only a strong sense of self and purpose with which our students leave the College. They also depart knowing they are well equipped for the next steps in their lives. And what a fabulous start that journey has been afforded as evidenced by the impressive SACE and ATAR results for the Class of 2020.

Results at a glance for the 2020 cohort:
- 50 students with an ATAR of 90 or above
- 25 students achieved a score of 95 or above
- 4 students with a score over 99
- 30 Merits across 15 subjects, of these 7 were achieved by Year 11 students
- 100% SACE completion

This year our students have achieved outstanding SACE performances with 4 of the cohort achieving an ATAR over 99 out of a possible 99.95. We celebrate that 25% of the cohort achieved an ATAR of 95 or better, 45% of the cohort attained an ATAR of 90 or better and 70% of the cohort had an ATAR of 80 or better and it is wonderful to have so many of our students ranked in the top 20% of the country.

We would like to congratulate our Dux of the College for 2020, Lucy Knight, with 4 Merits in Chemistry Physics, Biology and Research Project and achieving an ATAR of 99.90. Lucy excelled this year in her stimulating and challenging mix of subjects. She was also the recipient of the Margery Cottle Memorial Prize for Outstanding All Round Contribution to the Life of the School in recognition of her years of personal growth and service during her 13-year Scotch journey.

We would like to highlight and congratulate Ewan Wallace, Zachary Horbelt (Vice Captain) and Hugo Walter (College Co Captain) on their remarkable scores each achieving an ATAR over 99.

We also celebrate those students who have done it particularly tough this year. Your tenacity and strength of character have served you well. Our hearts pound with pride at your achievement.

“Each year our students choose a broad and diverse range of post school pathways,” enthused Dr John Newton, Principal. “The achievements today are a celebration of hard work, sheer intellect and reflect a true collaboration between students, their families and staff. The decisions that students can now make with confidence are inspiring and we know that their dreams have been realised.”

The Class of 2020 have shown remarkable resilience and determination to get the job done. They have been there to support each other when the going got tough. They haven’t let pessimism about circumstance be their narrative they have looked for the opportunities to shine. We thank them for showing us what community truly means in a time of COVID and although now they will take their separate paths, we know that they will be there for each other celebrating great achievements together albeit through Snapchat or Instagram. They have led the College with distinction during this most extraordinary year.

Over the years we have witnessed stunning achievements in the Performing Arts from this cohort. We know of at least five students who have been accepted into leading Performing Arts programs around the country. In sports and an array of cocurricular activities the students have excelled.

The staff of the College have encouraged and supported each student to give of their best. Their commitment is demonstrated with notable subject cohort performances. The results in our new subject Sports Science were outstanding. Across the board there was an increase in the A Grade band for all subjects.
Year 11
In addition to the fine achievements of the Class of 2020 students there are many other strong results for our current Year 11 students.

In the subject Research Project 64 of our students achieved in the A grade band.

In all 73 Year 11 students studying a Stage 2 subject achieved in the A grade band (56%). This bodes well for next year, which promises to be another high performing cohort.

Scotch90 Club Students

Samuel Atherton
Tess Bolnar
Millie Brake
Margot Bricknell
Alison Brown
Lara Brown
William Castine-Price
Emma Cooper-Baldock
Lucy Doney
Sophie Dunow
Daniel Frateman
Jessie Giaretto
William Hentschke
Zachary Horbelt
Finley Hyde
Holly Hyde
William Jackson
Billy Jaffray
Grace Johnston
Annika Jones
Elise Keenan
Lucy Knight
Grace Le Monnier
Ben Legoe
James Martin
Eliza Maslin
Isabella Mennillo
Charlie Miller
Ewan Mitchell
Layla Moseby Read
Kristen Nunan
Jack O’Connor
Emilie Rainbird
Teja Ranger

Josephine Read
Prudence Robinson
Georgina Taeger
Mieka Thompson-Mills
Brianna Tulla
Fletcher Turale
Thomas Voyvodic
Ewan Wallace
Hugo Walter
Ned Walter
Xinyi (Jane) Weng
Xinyun (June) Weng
Amelia Williams
Cassandra Williams
India Wilson
Zi Han (Lily) Wu

We will formally recognise the Merit students, Scotch90 Club and Duces at the Scotch Commencement Chapel Service to be held on Friday 29 January 2021.

Dux of Combined Studies – Emilie Rainbird
Dux of Humanities – Zachary Horbelt
Dux of Science – Lucy Knight

Year 12 students who achieved Merits in 2020

Ewan Wallace
Lucy Knight
Layla Moseby Read
Georgina Taeger
Millie Brake
Liam Cameron
Emma Cooper-Baldock
Lucy Doney
Zachary Horbelt
James Martin
Eliza Maslin
Charlie Miller
Prudence Robinson
Fletcher Turale
Hugo Walter
Ned Walter
India Wilson

Specialist Mathematics, Physics, English, Mathematical Methods
Chemistry, Physics
English, General Mathematics
Music Performance – Solo, Health
Music Performance - Ensemble
Flinders University – Mental Health and Psychological Wellbeing
Food and Hospitality
General Mathematics
Mathematical Methods
Drama
Health
Drama
English
Flinders University – Essential Multimedia
Biology
Scientific Studies – Sport Science
Flinders University - French
Year 12 students who achieved a Merit in 2019
Lara Brown  
Zachary Horbelt  
Annika Jones  
Lucy Knight  
Josephine Read  
Ella Slee  
Fletcher Turale  
Thomas Voyvodic  
Ella Slee  
Hugo Walter  
Amelia Williams

Year 11 students who achieved a Merit in 2020
Ru Jin Yi (Ruby) Chen  
Kyla Davis  
Laine Evans  
Jessica Klose  
Ned Merrigan  
Hugo Rimington  
Grace Seppelt

The following graph compares Scotch College students with results in the state. As is evident we have done particularly well in the A grade band – 51.5%

In the 15th Century the great Renaissance Man, Alberti, observed that “ignorance of the way to learn, more than the effort of learning itself, breaks the spirit of those who are anxious to do so”. We are confident in saying that at Scotch your education for life stems from knowing how to learn not just what you are learning. Congratulations to our fabulous cohort the Class of 2020!

Wishing you and yours a peaceful, safe and fun festive season.

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Deputy Principal Teaching and Learning
Dale Bennett  
Deputy Principal, Head of Torrens Park Campus