The Scots College HSC and Senior School Achievements 2021



The Scots College Sydney Australia

Our 2021 HSC Achievers

66 I am exceptionally proud of the excellent results from our boys this year.

Dear College Community

It is wonderful to be able to reflect upon what was quite a turbulent year and be able to celebrate the achievements of our Class of 2021. I am pleased to be presenting our HSC results highlights package for 2021. It has been a challenging yet inspiring two years for our boys with great achievements across the board.

In summary, the boys have performed incredibly well; despite the uncertainty and ever-changing goal posts, they are a credit to themselves, their parents and the College. Of course, true success is not only measured by marks, things or status. True success is concerned with the kind of person one becomes and the positive impact one makes in the world.

As a College community, we should be very proud of our focus on striving for excellence in all Academic, Co-Curricular and Sport programs. I trust this highlights package will provide you with an appropriate measure of our success in all domains.

These achievements would not be possible without the hard work, dedication and support of our staff, parents and broader community. Most importantly this would not be possible without the effort, teamwork and determination of the 2021 Year 12 cohort.

Please join me in congratulating and thanking the boys for striving for excellence and making The Scots College community proud. I look forward to following the boys' progress as they move into the next phase of their journey. At The Scots College, we emphasise The Quest for Excellence and Excellence Through Teams. There are many boys whose names and images do not appear in this publication who have achieved personal and team excellence by serving in the Chapel choir, playing in a 4ths sporting team, achieving a rank in Cadets or working very diligently to get their best ATAR or Applied Entrepreneurship Program course pass. You are all part of this story of excellence. Being a team player is your greatest achievement and individual successes are our collective successes. You are all fine Scots boys!

Scots to the fore!

Dr Ian PM Lambert Principal

99.80 ATAR



Edwin She Subjects: Chemistry, English

Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

99.40 ATAR



Joshua Wei Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Music 2, Physics

99.25 ATAR



James Mackay

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

98.95 ATAR



Hamish Robertson

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Latin Continuers, Latin Extension, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1

98.85 ATAR



Charles Sayers

Subjects: Ancient History, Drama, Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2

98.75 ATAR



Ethan Chandler

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, English Extension 1, English Extension 2, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

98.70 ATAR



Harry Murfet

Subjects: Ancient History, Chemistry, English Advanced, English Extension 1, English Extension 2, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2

98.70 ATAR



Alec Rozenbergs

Subjects: Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History, Physics

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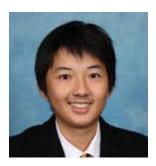
98.50 ATAR



Charley Huang

Subjects: Chinese Continuers, Chinese Extension, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Music 2

98.50 ATAR



Mason Yu Subjects: Chemistry, Chinese

98.05 ATAR

Shimin (William) Lu

Subjects: Chemistry, Chinese

and Literature, English as an

Additional Language/Dialect,

Mathematics Extension 1,

Mathematics Extension 2,

Physics, Science Extension

Continuers, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

98.45 ATAR



Aaron Forman

Subjects: Economics, English Advanced, History Extension, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History

97.90 ATAR



Jaidyn King

Subjects: Chemistry, Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

98.40 ATAR



Kyle Soepono

Subjects: Design and Technology, Economics, English Advanced, Indonesian Continuers, Indonesian Extension, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2

97.85 ATAR



Joshua Gale

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Justin Qiao Subjects: Chemistry, English

Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

97.75 ATAR



Luka Mattani

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Modern History, Physics

97.30 ATAR



Charles Carmont

Subjects: Ancient History, Economics, English Advanced, History Extension, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1

97.25 ATAR



Nicholas Reilly

Subjects: Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History, Physics

97.20 ATAR



Louie Gu

Subjects: English Advanced, English Extension 1, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Music 2, Music Extension

97.20 ATAR



Dylan Pye Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics,

Science Extension

96.75 ATAR



Johnny Anderson

Subjects: English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History, Physics

96.75 ATAR



Matthew Fahy

Subjects: Chemistry, Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

96.20 ATAR



Alexander Richardson

Subjects: Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Physics, Software Design and Development, Studies of Religion 1

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95.90 ATAR



Alexander Photios

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics, Software Design and Development





Edward Shelbourne

Subjects: Drama, Economics, English Advanced, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Physics



95.40 ATAR

Seth Abood

Subjects: Chemistry, English Advanced, Latin Continuers, Latin Extension, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2

95.05 ATAR



Sean Leong

Subjects: Biology, English Advanced, English Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

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Simon Naglost

Subjects: Chemistry, Engineering Studies, English Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics

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2021 Scots State High Achievers



Thomas Choong

9th Mathematics

Kyle Soepono

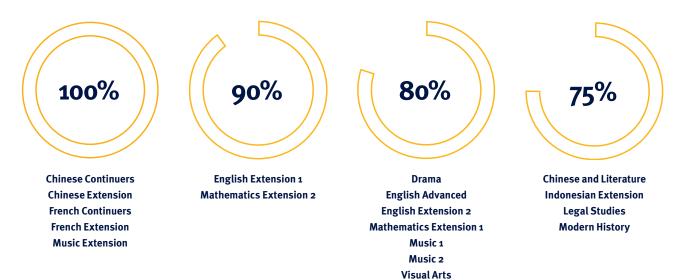
5th Indonesian Extension

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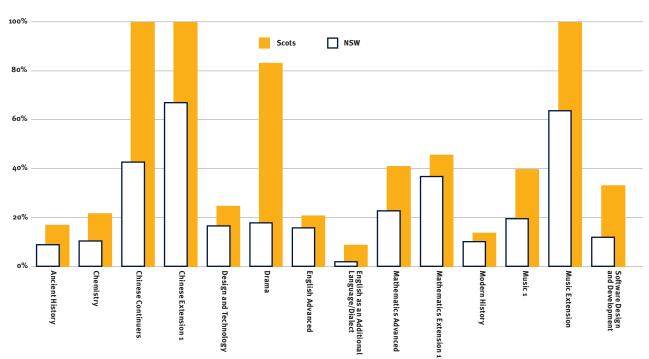
HSC 2021 – Highlights

Proportion of Boys in Top Two Bands by Subject



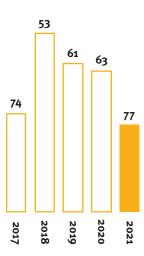
Scots Boys Awarded Band 6

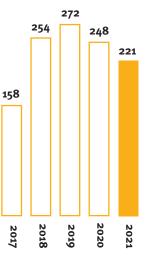
Compared to the state average



HSC 2021 – Highlights

Year on Year Comparison





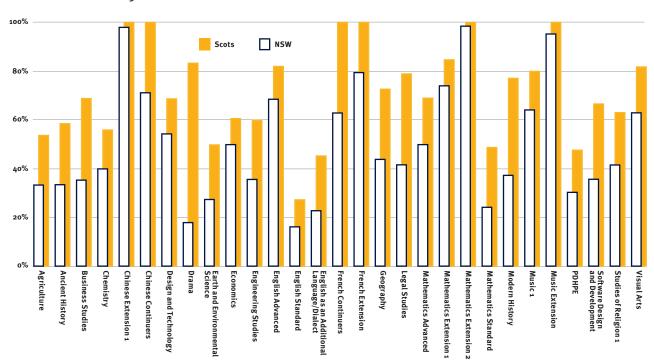
The Sydney Morning Herald HSC ranking top 100 schools

Number of Band 6 results awarded to Scots boys



The number of boys who earned their Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Top Performing Courses 2021

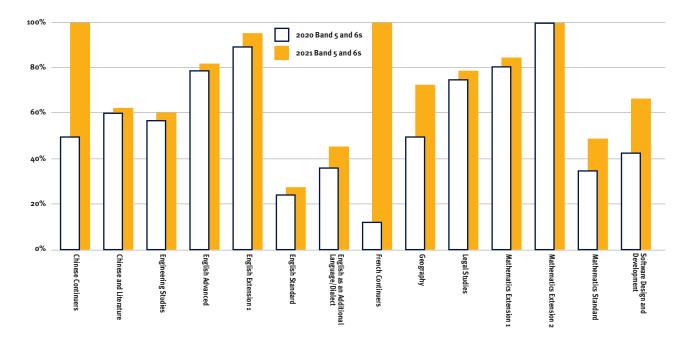


State versus Scots Bands 5 and 6 combined

HSC 2021 – Highlights

Most Improved Scots' Courses from 2020 to 2021

The following courses have seen significant improvements in the combined number of Band 5 and 6s awarded to Scots boys compared to the previous year.



Australian University Offers

Australian Universities and Colleges	Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) Offers
The University of Sydney	65
University of New South Wales	33
University of Technology Sydney	30
Macquarie University	15
University of New England	6
Other Universities and Colleges	5
The University of Newcastle	5
University of Canberra	4
Australian Catholic University	3
Australian National University	3
University of Wollongong	3

Premier's All-round Achievers

To be selected on the Premier's List, a student must achieve a Band 6 in at least ten units of study. For most students, this means achieving at the highest level in all of their selected subjects.



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HSC Showcase Nominations

ARTEXPRESS is an exhibition of exemplary artworks created by students for the HSC in Visual Arts. In 2021, NSW Education Standards Authority permitted only one student from each school to be submitted for nomination to the ARTEXPRESS. The Scots College also acknowledges two additional students' major works that would have been submitted for consideration were the submission criteria the same in years past.



Harry Prodes

ARTEXPRESS Nomination (Visual Arts) Major Work – Vital Signs



James Huon

ARTEXPRESS Intended Submission (Visual Arts) Major Work – Solitary Contemplation



Louis McCarthy

ARTEXPRESS Intended Submission (Visual Arts) Major Work – Dystopia

OnSTAGE is a presentation and exhibition of group and individual performances and projects by HSC Drama students. The following two students' works were submitted to OnSTAGE for consideration.



Charles Sayers

OnSTAGE Submission (Drama) Individual Performance – *Mensa* by Woody Allen



Edward Shelbourne

OnSTAGE Submission (Drama) Individual Performance – *Dog* by Steven Berkoff

HSC Showcase Nominations

Shape is an exhibition of exemplary bodies of work created by students for the HSC in Design and Technology. In 2021, all Design and Technology major works were internally marked. The Scots College acknowledges the following students' major bodies of work that would have been submitted for consideration to Shape 2021.



James Fredricson

Shape Intended Submission (Design and Technology) Major Body of Work – Upcycling wine barrel to a unique and functional coffee table.



Rupert Hanning

Shape Intended Submission (Design and Technology) Major Body of Work – Utilising CAD/CAM technology to create a study desk.



York Swan

Shape Intended Submission (Design and Technology) Major Body of Work – Utilising CAD/CAM technology to create a multipurpose bed frame.

State, National and International Representatives

The Scots College congratulates our Year 12 boys who have represented New South Wales and Australia in their respective academic, co-curricular and sporting areas.



Otto Brown

Sailing 2021 NSW Secondary Schools Sailing Teams Racing Champions



Luke Clark

Volleyball 2021 Under 19 Volleyball NSW team



Tyler Creevey

Sailing 2021 NSW Secondary Schools Sailing Teams Racing Champions



Darby Lancaster

Rugby Australian Sevens Men's Squad, NSW Academy 1



Harvey McGregor

Rugby NSW Academy 1



Connor McMullen

Rugby NSW Schoolboy Rugby



Edwin She

Mathematics Australian Mathematical Olympiad – Perfect Score and Gold Award



Joshua Wong

Rugby NSW Academy 1

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Sydney Eisteddfod (Online) - Highly Commended

Year 12 Music students were heavily involved in leading Scots musical ensembles to the following successes in the prestigious Sydney Eisteddfod. It was held online in 2021 and attracted entrants from across Australia, New Zealand and Asia.

Premium Youth Orchestra - Symphony Orchestra

Secondary School Jazz Band – Impulse! Jazz Combo

Secondary School Premium Concert Band - Robinson Wind Ensemble

Secondary School Premium Stage Band - Big Band 1

Secondary School Premium String Ensemble - Chamber Strings

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Outstanding Pathways



Nicholas Asteraki Parish

Humble and Dedicated Servant Leader

Nicholas joined Scots in 2016. During his time at the College he established himself as an authentic Christian leader in our community.

In Year 9, Nicholas participated in the College's annual Vanuatu Mission Trip. He showed maturity and an eagerness to learn and serve, helping in many ways at the schools and churches visited. Nicholas displayed commitment within the Christian Union (CU), helping lead Bible Study groups, participating in CU camps, giving devotions in Assembly and always looking to encourage younger students. A wonderful role model and example of integrity, kind-heartedness and care for others.

Using his love for middle and long distance running, Nicholas selflessly dedicated this talent to completing gruelling trials to raise money for Australian Breast Cancer Research. In the process he accrued thousands of dollars for a cause very close to his heart.

Through quiet, stoic and determined leadership, Nicholas is an inspirational young Scots man and a credit to himself, his family and his College.



Connor McMullen Tenacious Excellence in School and Work

The son of an Old Boy from Wagga Wagga, Connor's time in the Applied Entrepreneurship Program was characterised by tenacity, academic excellence and the world of work.

Beyond his commitment to being the Head Boarder Prefect and a member of the 1st XV Rugby, Connor embraced the range of opportunities presented to him, creating the hugely popular 'Up and Coming' podcast whilst also undertaking industry placement at the National Rugby League.

Excellent scholarship in the classroom also allowed Connor to complete his first-year economics subject, Economics for Business, under the Bachelor of Business degree, as part of an accelerated program at the University of Technology Sydney – a program designed to transfer the skills and experiences between school and university.



Guy Ruse

Following in the Footsteps of Australian Jazz Greats

Jazz guitarist, electric bass player, composer and orchestral bassoonist, Guy certainly has an eclectic musical background. He developed value for and skills in a diverse range of musical settings through the wideranging opportunities at the College.

Guy performed with Big Band 1, Impulse! Jazz Combo and Rock Band 1 on both guitar and bass, as well as holding the position of Principal Bassoon with the College's Robinson Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra. In his Senior School years, Guy studied composition and jazz improvisation with some of Sydney's finest musicians. His commitment to personal growth was rewarded when he was offered a place in the prestigious Jazz course at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music after a rigorous audition process. This program has fostered the talents of countless top Australian jazz musicians and entry is notoriously difficult.

Guy's humble nature and servantheartedness are particularly noteworthy for a young man who is one of the College's most well-rounded, proficient and talented musicians in recent years.

From the Staff

"Don't worry sir, we've got this ..."

The Class of 2021 will be long remembered for their good humour and hard work. It has been a privilege to get to know and work with these terrific young men who have given so much to our community over the years. Well done boys and good luck as you start a new chapter.

Mr James Bowles

Head of Students (7-12)

This year will go down as one of the most challenging years the boarding community at Scots has experienced in recent times. Yet our 2021 Year 12 boarding cohort will be remembered as one of the finest groups of young men to graduate from the College. Though disconnected physically due to the pandemic, they still managed to bring all boarders together, whilst always remaining positive and finishing the year exceptionally well. Congratulations to Head Boarder Prefect, Connor McMullen (Royle) and his team of House Captains: Tom Baldry (Kirkland), Hugh Ricardo (Royle), Bentley Thorn (Fairfax), Joshua Wong (Aspinall). From the outset until the end, they set an outstanding example to our younger boys, whilst inspiring our staff with their good nature and resilience. Each boarding graduate can look back on their time with a great deal of pride and a worthy sense of achievement. They go with our very best wishes, and we hope they will all return to visit us in the coming years.

Mr Kevin Brennan

Director of Boarding and Assistant Head of Senior School

The College is very proud of what the Class of 2021 have achieved as a group. In many respects it was a year of two halves, with everything returning to near normality and then quickly shutting down. Although it was disappointing not to see the end of what began in the Winter Sport season, the boys should all feel proud in how they prepared, and the position they were in when it was cancelled. The summer season was excellent, with most teams finishing in the top three of the Athletic Association of the Great Public Schools competition. A special mention goes to our 1sts Tennis team who won the AAGPS Premiership. Well done! Also, congratulations to all Co-Curricular Activities teams, in particular Pipes and Drums for their opportunity to defend their title at the NSW Pipe Band Championships. It was also a blessing to have seen the exceptional Live Winter Music Showcase and the boys across all areas of Co-Curricular Activities perform at Speech Day. Year 12 2021 have been an exceptional group throughout their Senior School years, and the College will look back on all their achievements with pride. Best wishes for all your future endeavours.

The Class of 2021 showed great resilience, determination and above all, a sense of camaraderie that meant they were able to navigate the challenges of their final two years. For six years in the Senior School, this group of young men were able to perform at the highest levels in academic, sport and co-curricular and will be defined in history for their growth and impact on the younger boys. They led from the front and have left the College in a better place, which ultimately, will be their legacy.

Mr Andrew Potter

Head of Senior School

An enormous congratulations to the Class of 2021 on their exceptional work throughout the last two years. Having had two disrupted years of academic and school life, it was an extraordinary show of character to see them continue to strive for academic excellence. Many of these young men have been awarded early entry into multiple universities or internships and industry placements for 2022. The life lessons of the past two years have equipped them well to thrive in their coming years outside of school. As a collective, I am extremely proud of their accomplishments.

Ms Andrea van den Bol

Head of Curriculum (7-12)

Year 12 2021 faced this unique year with a sense of purpose and resolve that spoke to their great strength of character. This cohort seemed committed to ensuring that restrictions – and even a long lockdown – was not going to define their journey or their final year at Scots. As the final exams dragged on, the boys kept their spirits high and their mateship strong. In fact, the connection between these boys seemed to become stronger through the tyranny of distance in Term 3. I will remember the boys of 2021, not for the year that was, but for their disciplined approach to their skills acquisition across all areas of College life, and willingness to turn this personal growth toward the service of others, whether it was teammates, younger boys, their families or the community. With continued application and this concern for others, I have no doubt that these boys will significantly impact society for good.

Mr Paul Vickers

Director of Music and Director of College Improvement

Mr Graham Pattison

Director of Sport and Co-Curricular Activities

The Quest for Excellence

i.C.A.R.E

This year was certainly a year where many students could have looked at the difficulties of home-based learning and capitulate. Though instead, it was exceptionally pleasing to see the vast majority 'take the bull by the horns' and persisted, with the aim to exceed their own limitations and ultimately produce excellent academic results.

This year, the i.C.A.R.E philosophy was never more vital for the development of Scots young men in their academic, sporting and co-curricular growth. Especially when they were presented with the difficulties of learning from home, seemingly alone, for over 14 academic weeks.

Despite the fatigue of moving in and out of Zoom classrooms and a lockdown that meant external academic motivators (such as national and international competitions) were unavailable in 2021, it was exceptional to see that so many boys saw the importance of collaboration and setting strong development intentions to continue their growth in learning. It was also impressive to note that we had the largest number of Years 7 to 10 students engage in the Honours Quest. There were 70 boys from Years 7 to 10 completing their Honours Quest and an additional 13 boys being awarded Renaissance status by having completed their Honours Capstone products in multiple disciplines.

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Teaching Excellence

At the founding of The Scots College in 1893, the moderator of the Presbyterian Church described its teachers as those who had won the highest honours in university, knew how to teach Australian boys, and saw their vocation as "a work of faith, a labour of love and a patience of hope".

Amidst all the challenges of 2021, teachers at the College continued in that spirit to advance our calling to a "higher learning for the common weal". Through a range of applied professional learning programs and courses of study, they have been developing the technical skills of the classroom and the deeper elements of expertise: vocational clarity, philosophical depth and entrepreneurial thinking. Highlights of staff learning this year included the College being recognised as one of The Educator's 5-Star Innovative Schools, our Teaching for Character teams redesigning curriculum to better develop boys' character, the mentoring leadership of our Master Teacher Fellows, individual staff scholarships and the successful completion of Learning Enrichment Teacher, Dr Caroline Basckin's doctorate.

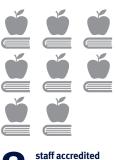




PhD research







Achieving excellence in 2021 ... and so much more

AAGPS 1sts Tennis – Premiership

NSW Secondary Schools Sailing Teams Racing Championship – 1st place

NSWCIS Cross Country Under 175 – Champions

NSWCIS Cross Country Under 165 – Champions

NSWCIS Cross Country Under 155 – Champions

NSW Pipe Band Championships – A Band

Beach Volleyball Schools National Championships – 2nd place

GPS 1sts Debating – 2nd place

GPS 2nds Debating – 2nd place

AAGPS 1sts Water Polo – 2nd place

AAGPS 2nds Water Polo - 2nd place

Sydney Eisteddfod Youth Choir for Male Voices (online), The Roar Vocal Ensemble – 2nd place AAGPS 1st XI Cricket – 3rd place AAGPS 2nd XI Cricket – 3rd place

AAGPS 1st VIII Rowing – 3rd place

AAGPS 2nds Tennis – 3rd place

AAGPS Opens Swimming Relay – 3rd place

Sydney Eisteddfod Youth Vocal Ensemble (online), The Senior Highlanders Vocal Ensemble – 3rd place