CLASS OF 2024

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The Class of 2024 have left an indelible impression on the School and their peers. Their energy and enthusiasm to be involved in the broader life of the School has been an inspiration to the younger students and something for them to strive to emulate.

As a Year Group, their sense of compassion, willingness to give of their best and the pride they display for the School have been their trademarks throughout their time at Mentone Grammar. It is not surprising that, as a cohort, they have achieved an outstanding set of VCE results. We applaud the Values of Discipline, Endeavour and Resilience that are embodied by our students in striving to achieve their potential. We also recognise individual excellence – in this case in academia; whilst the best measure of the learning culture that is created by our teachers and Year 12 students is the median Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) for the Year Group. This year it is 84.3, which indicates that 50% of our Year 12 students were placed in the top 15.7% of students nationally.

As mentioned, our Year 12 cohort has also led their peers by example by engaging fully in the life of the School, and in selflessly supporting others. Their support of younger peers and fundraising for worthy causes speaks to our Values of Caring, Integrity, Respect and Service.

On behalf of Mentone Grammar, I congratulate our Class of 2024, who have achieved brilliantly in so many areas, including their studies, and look forward to their continued association as Mentonians.

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VCE RESULTS 2024

84.3

Median ATAR

17%

ATARs over 95

37%

ATARs over 90

61%

ATARs over 80

35

Median Study Score

21%

Study Scores of 40+

99.90

Dux: James Wu

99.85

Dux Secondus: Justin Li & Ella Michell Our Class of 2024 celebrated involvement in sport, drama, dance, music, art, public speaking, debating and social service programs, and many more personal achievements across a wide range of areas.

LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Our Year 12 students embraced leadership roles across the School, inspiring their peers and making a significant impact:

- 36 students served as leaders in the Mentone Grammar Cadet Unit.
- 39 students held leadership positions in various school programs and initiatives.
- Many others demonstrated their leadership as captains of sports and cocurricular teams, reflecting their commitment and teamwork.
- We also acknowledge our 2024 Head Prefects, Justin L, Will S, Bridget S, and Amali V, for their outstanding leadership, unique skills, and perspectives.

CREATIVE EXCELLENCE

Creativity flourished among the Class of 2024, with highlights including:

- 54 students shone on stage, completing performances across nine different genres, showcasing their creativity, dedication, and passion for the arts. This year's senior production of *Grease!* was a resounding success.
- 68 students participated in Colours of Creativity, Mentone Grammar's Art, Design, Media & Technology Expo, which showcased outstanding student works. Special award winners included Sophie F, Nicholas H, Remus N, and Kiyomi R.

SPECIAL AWARDS

We proudly recognise the remarkable achievements of all our 2024 award winners, with special acknowledgment of the following students:

- School Colours Laureate Awards: Louise C, Phillippa D, Samuel F, Aurora H, McKenzie H, Amelia L, Bridget S, Noemi S, Reva T, Hannah W, and James W. These awards reflect exceptional achievement across academic and cocurricular pursuits over several years.
- The Trevor Stevens Spirit of Mentone Grammar Award: Oliver F, for embodying the School's core values and spirit.
- The Simon Appel OAM Medal: Hannah W, for outstanding leadership, academic excellence, and significant contributions to the School community.
- Excellence in Applied Learning Award: Scarlet P, for demonstrating ongoing commitment to vocational training, academic endeavour, and personal growth within the VCE VM program.

SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE

An incredible 117 students earned their Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) certification, supported by The Mentonians Association, equipping themselves with valuable life and workplace skills.

LIFERS

We celebrate and extend our gratitude to this year's Lifers – our Year 12 graduates who have been with Mentone Grammar since their early days in ELC or Foundation: Tomas B, Charli B, Mia C, Charlotte C, Isabel E, Sophie F, Thomas K, Aimee L, Anthony M, Holly N, Lachlan O, Nina P, Justin P, Dimitri R, Noemi S, Sally S, Ayden T, Jake V, and Hannah W.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Our Year 12 athletes led the way to an impressive season of sporting success, achieving premierships in:

- Girls Athletics (fourth consecutive premiership)
- Girls Cross Country (sixth consecutive premiership)
- Girls Swimming
- Girls Touch Football (8 out of the past 9 premierships)

Our Class of 2024 cohort also proudly participated in the AGSV/APS Reconciliation Round, promoting awareness and celebrating the rich cultures and contributions of First Nations people.

S.M.A.R.T. PROGRAM

Many of our talented Year 12 students presented at this year's S.M.A.R.T. Program Showcases, held in both summer and winter, contributing greatly to the success of these events.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The Class of 2024 displayed remarkable generosity and commitment to helping others by supporting a variety of community service initiatives throughout the year, including the Anglicare Food Drive, where they made a record-breaking donation of around 4,000 items. Anglicare was truly overwhelmed by the response, naming Mentone Grammar as the winners of their Per Student Donation Challenge.

