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Congratulations to the Class of 2015 on their academic results in the Higher School Certificate (HSC), and to their parents and teachers on their contribution to these achievements.

This Year Group made a significant contribution to our College life that has left a legacy of leadership, service and participation. Their academic results are a fitting tribute to their commitment to a holistic experience as students.

Attached you will find some data relating to their performance. We are proud of each of them and hope that their studies at St Aloysius' have provided them with the necessary academic foundation to follow the vocation they are called to.

I wish each young man every success in the future and thank them for their dedication to the College and its mission of Catholic, Jesuit education.

Finally, a special acknowledgement and thanks to the Year 12 teachers for their dedication to each student.

I wish our College community a peaceful, blessed Christmas.

Mark Tannock
Principal





2015 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE REPORT

The Class of 2015 has received a pleasing set of results in the Higher School Certificate (HSC).

There were a number of highlights:

- The College estimates that 80 students (54%) of a cohort of 150 achieved an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 90 or above. Forty students achieved an ATAR of 95 or above, while seven students had an ATAR above 99.
- The Dux for 2015 is **Matthew Fadhil**. Matthew achieved an ATAR of 99.8.
- There were 290 mentions in *Distinguished Achievers* list with 123 students being named. While the total number is slightly less than 2014, ATAR results seem broadly similar to last year. Of note is that this is the largest number of students to make this list.
- Seven St Aloysius' students were named in the *Premier's All-Round Achievers* list.
- There were four mentions for three students in the *Top Achievers in Course* list.
- The percentage of Band 6 (and E4) results achieved from examinations sat is 32.4%. (290 from 894 examinations sat).
- The results in Geography and General Mathematics were particularly pleasing. We had two students in the *Top Achievers in Course* list for Geography, and a school mean which is 15.76 above the state mean. In General Mathematics, the school mean is 17.59 above the state.
- Results in Drama were outstanding both in terms of performances nominated for *OnStage* and contribution to ATAR.
- There were very strong results in both Modern and Extension History.
- Mathematics, Extension 2 Mathematics, Music 1 and Senior Science also performed very creditably

HISTORICAL COMPARISON

Year	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Mentions	290	304	320	273	266	273	236	256	198
% DA	32%	34%	36%	31%	35%	31%	29%	30%	23%
SAC Rank in SMH	29	28	20	30	22	29	35	29	41



RESULTS IN BANDS

The following table reflects strong results across the top bands with fewer students outside the top two bands.

Band Results for all 2-Unit courses*

Band	2012	2013	2014	2015
6	221 (28.6%)	276 (35.5%)	244 (32.1%)	233 (30.3%)
5	412 (53.3%)	378 (48.6%)	394 (51.8%)	385 (50.0%)
4	135 (17.4%)	107 (13.8%)	105 (13.8%)	135 (17.6%)
3	4 (0.005%)	17 (2.0%)	13 (1.7%)	15 (2.0%)
2	0	1	4	1
1	0	0	0	0

(2015: Total of 769 individual student results in 2-Unit courses, including 1-Unit Studies of Religion)

Band Results for all Extension courses*

Band	2012	2013	2014	2015
4	52 (45.6%)	44 (43%)	59 (48%)	57 (45.0%)
3	60 (52.6%)	57 (56%)	64 (52%)	68 (53.5%)
2	2	1	0	2
1	0	0	0	0

(2015: Total of 127 individual student results in Extension courses)

PREMIER'S ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS

There were seven students named in the *Premier's All-Round Achievers* list. These students scored 90 or better in 10 units. They were:

Liam Burke
Peter Dougherty
James Eaton

Matthew Fadhil
Michael McLucas
Christian Pappas

Liam Thorne

It should be noted that we had six students who missed out on this list by one mark in one subject. They were **Liam Denvir, James Shiel-Dick, Liam Shiel-Dick, Julian Sheldon, William Tandany** and **Jonathan Tandjung**.



TOP ACHIEVERS IN COURSE

Three students were named in the *Top Achievers in Course* list.

Dance

Lachlan Mitchell (Year 11: 5th in State)

Geography

Christopher Ducklin (4th in State)

Liam Thorne (6th in State)

Extension History

Liam Thorne (2nd in State)

ATAR CALCULATIONS

- Seven students achieved an ATAR above 99, with 40 students scoring between 95 and 99.
- 80 boys achieved an ATAR over 90. Thus about 54% of the cohort achieved this rank compared to 16.5% in the state.
- The median ATAR was 91.
- The following students achieved an ATAR above 99:

Matthew Fadhil

Michael McLucas

Liam Burke

Peter Dougherty

Christian Pappas

Liam Thorne

Jonathan Tandjung

CREATIVE ARTS

The Class of 2015 has had a significant number of students nominated to display/perform in the varying showcases for HSC creative arts courses. This reinforces the healthy state of Creative Arts at St Aloysius' and the important place it plays in both the cultural and academic life of the College.

Dance

Lachlan Mitchell was nominated for *Callback*.

Drama

1. **Matthew Kell, Luca Trovato, Joel Vozzo** and **Daniel Wade** were nominated for *OnStage* (Group Devised Performance)
2. **Alexander Graham, Benjamin Jones** and **James Mukheibir** were nominated for *OnStage* (Group Devised Performance)
3. **James Mukheibir, Alexander Tonkin** and **Daniel Wade** were nominated for *OnStage* (Individual Performance)
4. **Julian Sheldon** was nominated and subsequently selected for *OnStage* (Director's Folio)

Visual Arts

Steven Heyen and **Nicholas Paton** have both been nominated for *ArtExpress*, the Visual Arts showcase. Steven was nominated for his piece of artwork *Eden Transcends*, while Nicholas was nominated and subsequently selected for his short film *Balloon*.



SUBJECT RESULTS

The following table presents all the HSC test results with figures representing the actual student numbers in each band.

Subject	# students	Band 6	Band 5	Band 4	Band 3
Ancient History	22	4	12	3	3
Biology	30	4	16	10	0
Business Studies	23	4	16	3	0
Chemistry	45	6	27	11	1
Dance	1	1	0	0	0
Drama	15	10	5	0	0
Economics	29	5	19	3	2
English (Standard)	21	0	3	16	2
English (Advanced)	129	44	69	15	1
Geography	20	11	9	0	0
Legal Studies	15	0	11	4	0
General Mathematics	38	12	22	2	2
Mathematics	107	48	42	17	0
Modern History	67	30	31	6	0
Music 1	3	3	0	0	0
Music 2	5	1	4	0	0
PDHPE	24	8	9	7	0
Physics	42	9	17	14	2
Senior Science	7	3	3	1	0
SOR 1	43	9	29	3	1
SOR 2	40	8	23	9	0
Visual Arts	26	8	14	4	0
French Continuers	13	4	3	5	1
Japanese Continuers	3	1	1	1	0



SUBJECT RESULTS CONTINUED

In Extension Courses, there are four bands E4 to E1, with E4 being the highest.

Subject	# students	E4	E3	E1-2
English Extension 1	23	17	6	0
English Extension 2	6	3	3	0
Mathematics Extension 1	47	16	31	0
Mathematics Extension 2	16	7	9	0
History Extension	23	11	12	0
Music Extension	4	1	2	1
French Extension	6	2	3	1
Japanese Extension	2	0	2	0

STATE COMPARISON

In 28 of 31 subjects offered at St Aloysius' College, the school mean was above the state mean.

Two subjects (Geography and General Mathematics) were more than 15 marks above the state mean.

Nine subjects were more than 10 marks above the state mean including Biology, Business Studies, Drama, Modern History, Music 1, PDHPE and Senior Science.

Neville Williams
Director of Studies