

PLEASING PERFORMANCE BY SHORE AT 2003 HSC

In the third year of the new HSC, Shore achieved outstanding results in a wide range of subjects. We had the honour of having six boys from the Class of 2003 in the All Rounders' list. These boys achieved a Band 6 result (a mark of 90 or more) in ten or more units of their HSC studies. We extend congratulations to C W S Ching, R W James, D A Kimber, F C W Rourke, J B Solomons and A G Wood on their fine achievement.

Based on the measure of excellence reported in the Press (the number of students gaining a Band 6 result in any subject), Shore ranked 47th top school overall in New South Wales and **top non-selective boys' school in the Northern suburbs.**

2003 HSC RESULTS

We congratulate the Class of 2003, many of whom achieved pleasing marks in their HSC examinations despite set-backs during the year. It is pleasing to report that many boys worked with concentration and determination and followed closely the advice and support provided to them by staff and such structures as the Holiday Workshops and the Learning Support Centre. Many boys who achieved a mark over 90 (or their own personal best) in any subject have attributed this largely to a regime of regular assignment work coupled with meaningful feedback throughout the Preliminary and HSC courses in that subject. Special thanks to our highly talented staff who have worked hard with these boys during their years at Shore, always with characteristic care, encouragement and concern.

Some outstanding performances:

- Based on average UAIs, 2003 represented our second strongest performance (after 2000) since 1997.
- F C W Rourke, R W James, A G Wood, J B Solomons, M J Aroney, D A G Kimber and C W S Ching all achieved UAIs of over 99, placing them in the top 1% of the State.
- A W Wellings had his HSC Design & Technology Major Design Project selected for the DESIGNTech exhibition in the Powerhouse Museum. M P Hodgkinson was nominated.
- A J Hopkins had his HSC Drama performance nominated for OnSTAGE. R T K Sholl had his HSC Music 2 performance nominated for ENCORE.
- J A Trotter and Z R Thompson had their Visual Arts Major Bodies of Work nominated for ARTEXPRESS.

- 109 boys (60%) obtained a UAI of 80 or more, placing them in the top 20% in the State. This standard was achieved by 57% of our candidates in 2002 and 52% in 2001.
- 66 boys (36%) had UAIs of 90 or more (top 10% of State) compared to 59 boys (32%) in 2002, and 59 boys (31%) in 2001.
- 24% of our boarders gained UAIs of 90 or more (top 10% of the State).
- 55% of those in the Class of 2003 who attended Shore Prep obtained a UAI of 80 or more.
- 85 boys received a Band 6. We achieved a total of 188 Band 6 results (compared to 200 in 2002, 127 in 2001 and 67 in 2000 and 54 in 1999).
- The number of Band 6 results for English and Mathematics was reported in the Press as follows and represents achievement of considerable depth:

	2000	2001	2002	2003
English	10	12	12	15
Mathematics	32	47	80	59

- Our strongest performing subjects, based on the number of Band 6 results, included Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Economics, English (Advanced), Geography, Mathematics, Mathematics Extension 2, Modern History and Senior Science.

% Class in Top 2 Bands (Bands 5 and 6 combined)

Course	Units	2003	
		School %	State %
Ancient History	2	73.4	36.1
Biology	2	71.8	32.2
Business Studies	2	55.8	28.2
Chemistry	2	51.3	25.9
Design & Technology	2	75.0	21.6
Drama	2	34.8	37.9
Economics	2	68.0	43.8
English (Standard)	2	9.6	1.9
English (Advanced)	2	68.5	41.7
English Extension 1	1	100.0	77.1
English Extension 2	1	100.0	84.7
Geography	2	70.8	34.3
Industrial Technology	2	33.3	28.0
General Mathematics	2	42.3	16.3
Mathematics	2	64.5	39.7
Mathematics Extension 1	2	86.7	73.3
Mathematics Extension 2	2	100.0	80.8
Modern History	2	73.1	42.3
History Extension	1	91.3	57.6
Music 1	2	63.6	42.1
Music 2	2	75.0	65.2

Music Extension	1	100.0	89.4
Physics	2	64.3	33.7
Senior Science	2	68.2	31.2
Visual Arts	2	87.5	49.6
French Continuers	2	42.9	49.1
French Extension	1	100.0	85.8
German Continuers	2	40.0	52.1
German Extension	1	100.0	88.4
Japanese Continuers	2	0	54.0
Japanese Extension	1	100.0	94.0
Latin Continuers	2	100.0	88.3
Latin Extension	1	100.0	96.4

UAI (Universities Admission Index) Analysis

- 17% of our boys were in the top 5% of the State, gaining a UAI of 95 or more (compared with 19% in 2002).
- 36% of our boys were in the top 10% of the State, gaining a UAI of 90 or more (compared with 32% in 2002).
- 50% of our boys were in the top 15% of the State, gaining a UAI of 85 or more (compared with 45% in 2002).
- 60% of our boys were in the top 20% of the State, gaining a UAI of 80 or more (compared with 57% in 2002). **This is the highest percentage in this range for the past decade and reflects a considerable level of achievement for a comprehensive boys' school.**