



2007 HSC

SHORE GAINS DISTINCTION AT THE HSC

In the seventh year of the revised HSC, Shore achieved outstanding results in a wide range of subjects. We had the honour of having fifteen boys from the Class of 2007 gain Premier's Awards. 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 T R Bayley, L R Carey, T D Clark, T M Frazer, W T Hawker, J R Lawson, I H Mack, J W Morrison, J P Nunn, J A O'Bannon, A W Sideris, J M Smith-Davies, W Tian, C Wang and L J Westhoff.

Based on the measure of excellence reported in the Press (the number of students gaining a Band 6 result in any subject) Shore ranked 45th top school overall in NSW and 6th top boys' school in NSW. **Shore ranked top non-selective boys' school in NSW, a distinction Shore has gained also in 1999, 2002 and 2005.**

2007 HSC RESULTS

We congratulate the Class of 2007, many of whom worked with diligence and determination and followed closely the advice and support provided to them by staff and such structures as the Holiday Workshops and the Study 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 staff who have worked hard with these boys during their years at Shore with dedication, encouragement and care.

Outstanding performances:

- Thirteen boys achieved UAIs over 99 placing them in the top 1% of the state. We extend our congratulations to C Wang, W Tian, J M Smith-Davies, I H Mack, J W Morrison, L R Carey, T D Clarke, J R Bayley, L T Westhoff, M D Middleton-Jones, J A O'Bannon, P J Coates and J R Lawson.
- 22 boys gained UAIs of 98 or more (top 2% in the state). This compares with 16 boys in 2006, 25 boys in 2005, 9 boys in 2004 and 14 boys in 2003.
- C Wang gained a perfect score of 100.00 – he placed **1st in the state in Continuers Latin and 1st in the state in Extension Latin**.
- I H Mack placed **1st in the state in Geography**.
- A W Thompson (Year 11) placed **3rd in the state in Continuers Classical Greek**.
- D G Houston had his Visual Arts Major Body of Work nominated for exhibition in ARTEXPRESS at the Sydney College of Fine Arts. A J Best, N E Chadwick and H C Woodhead received nominations.
- In Music 2, T D Clarke, J R Bayley and T L Ledgerwood were nominated for ENCORE.
- S W Middleton had his D&T Major Design Project (*'Elastoband'*) selected for DesignTECH at the Powerhouse Museum.
- T L Ledgerwood gained Most Improved at the HSC examinations.
- One third of our boarders gained UAIs above 90.00.
- The benchmark of 80% of our candidature with a UAI of 65 or more was achieved with 85.0% achieving this standard, compared to 86.0% in 2006, 90.0% in 2005, 85.6% in 2004 and 82.5% in 2003.
- We achieved a total of 244 Band 6 results (compared with 232 in 2006, 237 in 2005, 215 in 2004 and 188 in 2003)
- There were 488 Band 5 results (marks in the range 80-89), compared with 522 in 2006, 483 in 2005, 431 in 2004 and 398 in 2003.
- We obtained 30 Band 6 results in **English** (compared with 21 in 2006, 19 in 2005, 20 in 2004 and 15 in 2003), most notably in Advanced English. In Standard English our examination mean of 74.73 was well above the state mean of 65.16 and in Advanced English the mean of 84.65 was also above the state mean of 78.60.

- In **Mathematics**, we gained 66 Band 6 results (compared with 65 in 2006, 75 in 2005, 72 in 2004 and 59 in 2003).
- In all courses with ten or more candidates our means were well above those of the state. Some of the highest were Mathematics Extension 2 87.93, Continuers French 87.71, History Extension 43.82/50, Visual Arts 87.31, Advanced English 84.65, Chemistry 84.54, Geography 84.52, English Extension 1 42.18/50, Ancient History 84.05, Drama 84.00 and IPT 83.32.
- Our strongest performing large-candidate subjects based on the number of Band 6 results included Advanced English, Business Studies, Modern History, Geography, Mathematics Extension 1, Chemistry, General Mathematics, Economics and Visual Arts.

UAI (Universities Admission Index) Analysis

- 19% of our boys (*39 boys*) were in the top 5% of the state, gaining a UAI of 95 or more (compared with 22% in 2006 and 20% in 2005).
- 33% of our boys (*68 boys*) were in the top 10% of the state, gaining a UAI of 90 or more (compared with 42% in 2006 and 33 % in 2005).
- 47% of our boys (*97 boys*) were in the top 15% of the state, gaining a UAI of 85 or more (compared with 56% in 2006 and 55% in 2005).
- 60% of our boys (*123 boys*) were in the top 20% of the state, gaining a UAI of 80 or more (compared with 66% in 2006 and 62% in 2005).

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

Course	No. of boys in course	Units	2007	
			School %	State %
Ancient History	16	2	68.8	35.9
Biology	51	2	39.2	32.6
Business Studies	106	2	62.3	24.9
Chemistry	48	2	81.2	39.2
Design & Technology	15	2	60.0	23.8
Drama	11	2	72.7	41.3
Economics	53	2	71.7	46.5
English (Standard)	115	2	13.0	3.4
English (Advanced)	91	2	81.3	46.9
English Extension 1	20	1	95.0	80.5
French Continuers	13	2	92.3	57.5
Geography	80	2	82.5	49.0
General Mathematics	82	2	42.7	22.5
IPT	10	2	70.0	37.3
Mathematics	97	2	60.8	39.5
Mathematics Extension 1	60	2	95.0	74.6
Mathematics Extension 2	15	1	100.0	82.9
Modern History	64	2	89.1	43.7
History Extension	12	1	100.0	72.7
PDHPE	44	2	36.4	35.6
Physics	50	2	58.0	34.0
Senior Science	15	2	60.0	37.4
Visual Arts	21	2	90.5	52.0

Notes:

- 1) Subjects with small candidatures (less than 10) have been omitted. It can be misleading to interpret statistics for such small numbers.
- 2) This table is meaningful only for comparing School % with State % **in each subject**. We warn against superficial comparison between subjects and courses. Such comparisons are invalid because of different sizes of candidature and different percentages in Bands 5 and 6 awarded State-wide.