

Outstanding 2013 HSC results for Pymble Ladies' College

Pymble Ladies' College 2013 Year 12 students have excelled in the Higher School Certificate with two students, Kim Zhang and Judy Wu, achieving a perfect Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 99.95. An impressive 12% of students achieved an ATAR of 99+, 39% of students achieved an ATAR of 95+ and 59% of students ranked 90+ in their ATARs.

Pymble students topped the State in three subjects and 16 students earned a place in the Top Achievers in Course list.

Pymble students performed brilliantly in English Extension 1 with six students in the first ten places in the State. Six students achieved 100% in Music Extension.

"The *Pymble* Year 12 cohort of 2013 has achieved brilliant results for a non-selective school and is to be congratulated for their outstanding achievements," said Mrs Vicki Waters, Principal of Pymble Ladies' College.

On the Sydney Morning Herald Honour Roll, which acknowledges students who earn 90 or above in one or more subjects, 185 *Pymble* students earned 619 places. Seventeen

percent of *Pymble* students were named in the All-round Achievers lists for achieving Band 6 results (90 or better) or a Band E4 result (45 or better) in an Extension course in 10 or more units.

Pymble students' success in the HSC was also recognised in Visual Arts with six students selected for ARTEXPRESS 2014. These students will have their Bodies of Work exhibited at a number of venues around the State. Ten Music students were nominated for ENCORE and Irene Ju was selected to perform at the ENCORE concert in March 2014.

"The outstanding HSC results have been achieved through the application, dedication and hard work of our students and their teachers."

"For many students, their academic focus and commitment has been complemented by wonderful achievements across a range of co-curricular programs in areas such as sport, the performing and visual arts, leadership and community service," said Mrs Waters.

Overview of 2013 HSC

In 2013, 258 students from Pymble Ladies' College sat for the NSW Higher School Certificate in 50 courses. On average, 96% of candidates across all 2 Unit courses offered at the College achieved results in Band 4 and above. In the 1 Unit Extension courses, on average, 90% were placed in Band E3 or E4.

When compared with the State average, results in Bands 5 and 6 have remained consistently high, with student achievement above State level in all courses offered at the College. In 2013, the Bands 5 and 6 results were 40% or more above the State percentages in the following subjects: Agriculture, Biology, Business Studies, Drama, English as a Second Language, Food Technology, Geography, Legal Studies, Modern History, Physics, Senior Science, Textiles and Design, Visual Arts and Hospitality.



Perfect ATARs for two Pymble students

Kim Zhang and Judy Wu attained a perfect ATAR of 99.95. Kim and Judy are looking forward to commencing their studies at university in 2014. Kim will be studying Classics at the University of Oxford (England) and Judy will be attending the University of New South Wales for Actuarial studies.



Best in Subject

The following students earned a place in the top achievers in their course across a variety of subjects:

Vivian Au – 5th in Food Technology

Sinclare Cheung - 4th in English as a Second Language

Genevieve Graham - 9th in Drama

Irene Ju – 4th in Music Extension

Sophia Kwiet – 10th in History Extension

Victoria Lim-Howe – 10th in English Extension 1 and 3rd in History Extension

Monique Masling – 8th in Geography

Charlotte Middleton – 4th in Italian Beginners

Michelle Wang – 5th in English Extension 2 and 7th in English Extension 1

Debby Xu – 6th in English Extension 1

Judy Wu – 15th in Chemistry

Chantelle Yeung – 2nd in Italian Beginners

Helen Zhang – 4th in Classical Greek Continuers, 5th in Classical Greek Extension and 5th in English Extension 1

Yining Zhang – 9th in English as a Second Language

Kim Zhang – 3rd in English Extension 1

Vanessa Zhu – 10th in English as a Second Language



College Leaders Excel

Congratulations to 2013 Head Prefect Samantha Bear and Deputy Head Prefect Julia Tsolakis for attaining outstanding results in their HSC.

Samantha is spending 2014 as a Gap student at St Catherine's School in the United Kingdom before she returns to Sydney to commence her study in Arts / Education at the University of Sydney in 2015. Sam was thrilled to achieve an ATAR of 99.85 and commented that she is very grateful for her *Pymble* education. "My time at *Pymble* has been incredible," said Sam.

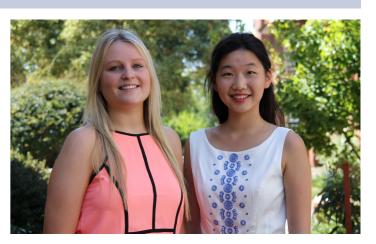
Julia is hoping to attend the University of Sydney to study Advanced Science.

All-round Achievers

Forty-four *Pymble* students were named in the Allround Achievers lists. We acknowledge the outstanding achievement of the girls listed below who achieved Band 6 results (90 or better) or a Band E4 result (45 or better) in an Extension course in 10 or more units:

- Aisha Arain
- Samantha Bear
- Tanyi Chan
- Helen Chen
- Laura Chung
- Jessica Everingham
- Georgia Fallon
- Irene Ju
- Eleanor Katelaris
- Sophia Kwiet
- Avalon Langdon
- Rose of Sharon Leake
- Rebecca Lyons
- Nicole Ma
- Katrin Mannes
- Lucina Martin
- Monique Masling
- Laura Maxwell
- Lucy McConnell
- Charlotte Middleton
- Laura Newman
- Amanda Ong

- Mehar Pathak
- Cassandra Poon
- Ciara Smart
- Mia Stone
- Beata Szabo
- Julia Tsolakis
- Patricia Tsong
- Vanessa Van
- Christine Wang
- Michelle Wang
- Imogen Wirth
- Julie Wong
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- Judy WuKeqi Yan
- Regitali
- Yi Yang
- Chantelle Yeung
- Theresa Yu
- Elissa Zhang
- Helen Zhang
- Kim Zhang
- Roxanne Zhang
- Vanessa Zhu



First in State

Congratulations to the three *Pymble* students who topped the State in subject:

Helen Chen – English Extension 1

Rebecca Cheney – Hospitality Examination

Kim Zhang – Classical Greek Continuers (equal first)

Honour Roll

The Honour Roll acknowledges students who earn a Band 6 result (90 or better) in a 2 unit course or a Band E4 result (45 or better) in an Extension course in one or more subjects. In 2013, *Pymble* students earned 619 places on the Honour Roll. These places were achieved by 185 individual students.

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Italian duo for Pymble

Well done to Charlotte Middleton and Chantelle Yeung who came second and fourth respectively in Italian Beginners.





Pymble students place well in Classics

Well done to *Pymble* Classics students for their outstanding results in the HSC. Congratulations to Kim Zhang and Helen Zhang for placing first and fourth in Classical Greek Continuers. Helen Zhang also came fifth in Classical Greek Extension.





HSC Showcases and Exhibitions

ARTEXPRESS

Six *Pymble* Visual Arts students were selected to display their Bodies of Work in ARTEXPRESS. Artworks by Georgia Fallon, Genevieve Graham, Ji Su Lim, Jessica Long, Kaitlyn Seeto and Kelly Stuart will be displayed at a number of different venues around the state as part of ARTEXPRESS 2014.

ENCORE

Pymble Music students shone in the HSC with Irene Ju placing fourth in Music Extension and also being selected to play the violin in the ENCORE concert in March 2014. Nine Pymble Music students were nominated for ENCORE in performance and one student was nominated in composition. Music student Theresa Yu will travel to England to accept her scholarship offer to study for a Bachelor of Music (Honours) at the Royal College of Music in London. Tanyi Chan, Maxine Poon, Patricia Tsong and Gabriella Vici are looking forward to continuing their Music studies at the University of Sydney.

The following Music students are to be congratulated for their nomination for inclusion in ENCORE 2014:

Performance:

- Tanyi Chan
- Laura Chung
- Irene Ju
- Avalon Langdon
- Jane Liu

- Maxine Poon
- Olivia To
- Patricia Tsong
- Theresa Yu

Composition:

Georgia Campbell



Pymble music students performed brilliantly in the HSC.

OnSTAGE

Congratulations to Georgia Fallon and Genevieve Graham for their inclusion in OnSTAGE 2014 for Costume Design and Beata Szabo for her nomination for inclusion in OnSTAGE 2014 for Performance.