



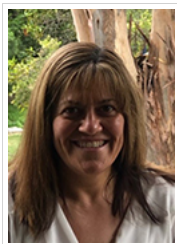
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Principal's Report



Welcome

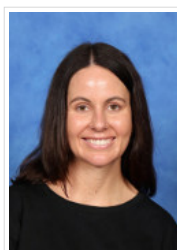
A big welcome to all parents and students to the 2022 academic year after what I hope was a restful and enjoyable holiday, despite the ever-present threat of COVID-19 and the disruption it causes. I especially welcome our new Year 11 parents. I sincerely hope your involvement

with GRC Oatley Senior Campus will be happy and beneficial. While traditionally most students who are new to our school quickly settle into school routines, it can be a difficult transition from one school to another for some students. Should any student or parent require assistance, I encourage you to make contact with the school as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, this year due to COVID restrictions, we were unable to run our scheduled 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon. We will be opening our school to the school community shortly and will communicate the relevant dates via email.

New Staff for 2022

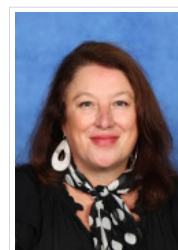
We are very fortunate a number of enthusiastic new staff members have joined the teaching team at GRC Oatley this year. A big welcome to:



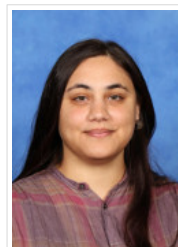
Hayley Dewar
YOUTH WORKER



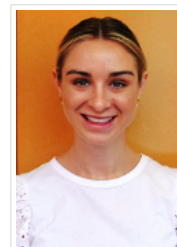
Jesse Mawson
YOUTH WORKER



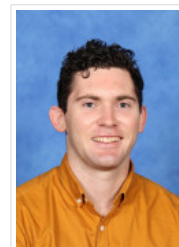
Annette Falconer
CAPA



Niranjana Sattarshetty
ENGLISH



Dijaan Morgan
TAS



Connor Tamblyn
TAS



Stephanie Yates
PDHPE



Charlene Su
HSIE



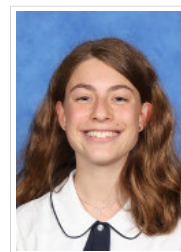
Natalie Rasic
HSIE

Fiona Stone
PDHPE

Katherine
Theofanopoulos
MATHEMATICS



Riddhi Tanjil Karim
Legal Studies
7th in the State



Ebony Lagarez
Earth and
Environmental Science
9th in the State

Outstanding HSC Results

Congratulations to our 2021 Year 12 students who, individually and collectively, performed exceptionally well in the Higher School Certificate (HSC). This group of students faced many obstacles throughout the year but dug deep and found the strength to get through to the end. There is an expectation that we will do well, that our students will be stretched and challenged and that our teachers will do their very best and more to assist students in realising their potential.

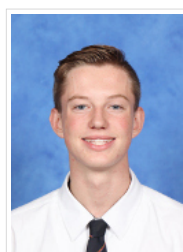
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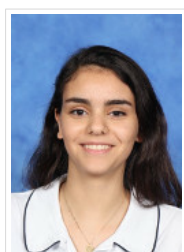
Katrina Lo 98.3

Top Achievers List

Top Achievers in Course lists the student(s) who achieved one of the highest places in an HSC course or VET examination and also achieved a result in the highest band (Band 6 or Band E4). The maximum place in Top Achievers for each course varies according to the candidature of the course as outlined in the table below.



Cooper Appleby
Food Technology
4th in the State



Armina Pakniyat
Persian Continuers
4th in the State

HSC Distinguished Achievers List

Band 6 - equivalent to 90% or above in any 2 Unit HSC Course / E4 - 45 out of 50 in any extension HSC course

- 44 students were named on the list
- Our students were awarded 407 Band 5/6 – Top 2 Band in the HSC

Major Works Excellence Nominations

Year 12 (2021) have had some outstanding results for their HSC performances and practicals from our Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) and Technical and Applied Studies (TAS) students.

- Peter Atzemis - ENCORE nomination for 'Spain'
- Brooke Cotton - ENCORE nomination for 'Sleepsong'
- Jazmine Gaymer - ENCORE nomination for 'I know where I've been'
- Tayanytah Iverach - OnSTAGE nomination for Individual Performance 'Pig Life'
- Patrice Merkouris - OnSTAGE nomination and selection for inclusion
- Acacia Wait - SHAPE nomination
- Yu Rachel Wang - ENCORE nomination for 'Paper Boats'

Our students were ranked highly in the following subjects:

- Community and Family Studies
- Dance
- Design and Technology
- Earth and Environmental Science
- English Studies
- English Extension 1
- English Extension 2
- Entertainment Industry VET
- Food Technology
- History Extension
- Japanese Continuers
- Mathematics Extension 2
- Mathematics Standard 1

- Music Extension
- Entertainment Industry VET
- Hospitality (Kitchen Operations) VET
- Hospitality (Food and Beverage) VET
- Retail Services VET

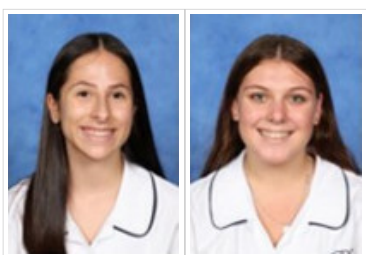
Student Leadership

Student leadership at GRC Oatley Senior truly reflects the quality of students we have in our school. At our school, student leadership is expected and practised on a daily basis. The quality of this leadership, especially that demonstrated by the Captains, Vice Captains, SRC Presidents and the SRC, is a critical determinant in creating loyalty, pride and ethics within our school. Student leadership is about giving respect, not demanding respect. It's about respecting the human rights of everyone, of other people and your own.

I am extremely confident that our incoming 2022 SRC will rise to the challenge and build on the strong legacy that last year's student leadership team have left. They will be charged with successfully implementing changes to structures within the school from a student perspective, as well as being the sounding board when students' views on issues relating to their school are required.

I am delighted to announce again the following executive of the student leaders:

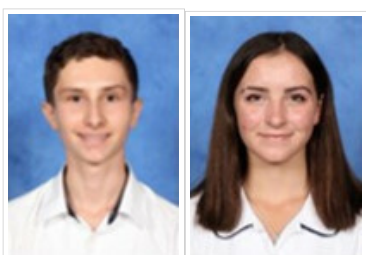
Captains: Anastasia Karatasoulis and Chloe Tzanis



Vice Captains: Andrei Esdaile-Watts and Tala Sayrafi



SRC Presidents: Brendon Lambert and India Roberts



Year 12 Student Representative Council

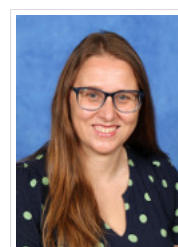
Alex Trong Le Victoria Fong Menem Chehab Skye Shek Parneet Garha	Leon Jin Jaafar El Anmar Dominique Richardson Samantha Murray	Fotini Kefalianos Sammi Leung Jeffrey Wang Andreas Chambers
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Year 11 Student Representative Council

Cameron Appleby Lara Bazzi Emily Edvell Oka Hayashi Sabrina Jin Mariane Khoury	Reuben Rattansone Latu Suli Bahrez Baloch Charmaine Chu Aliyah Fonseca	Thomas Jenson Aliyah Jurd Lachlan Ram Chloe Shaylor Yve Waetford
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Anti-Racism Contact Officer (ARCO)

The NSW Department of Education rejects all racism and is committed to eliminating all forms of racial discrimination so that all students can flourish in a safe and cohesive environment of respect and opportunity. Our school is committed to embracing all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds.



At GRC Oatley Senior Campus, Ms Peta La Motte is our Anti-Racism Education Officer (ARCO) and is trained to support students, teachers, parents and community members that experience racism. So, if you experience racism yourself or see/hear of any incidents of racism, then please speak to your ARCO because racism is destructive and it hurts everybody.

Facebook and Instagram

A reminder to follow us on social media. Please like both our Facebook and Instagram pages. Links are below.

<https://www.facebook.com/grcoatleyseniorcampus/>

<https://www.instagram.com/grcoatleysenior/>

School Website

Please take them time to look at the information available to parents.

<https://oatleysnr-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

P&C AGM

Our P&C AGM will be held on Monday 28th March 2022 in the Horseshoe Theatre. Parents, as partners in the education process, have a right and a responsibility to play an active role in the education of their children. The P&C enables parents and citizens to meet together to determine the needs and aspirations of the school community.

P & C meetings provide a forum for parents to learn about the activities at the school, raise concerns and have input into the decisions affecting their children. I am looking forward to meeting with you on Monday.

School and P&C Contributions

The School Contribution schedules will be sent out to all families shortly. These schedules enable parents to identify what monies are owed for their child. Invoices will include any outstanding compulsory subject fees owing from last year.

Our P&C Association welcomes payment of the P&C contribution, which also assists the school to provide additional resources above those provided for through global funding sources.

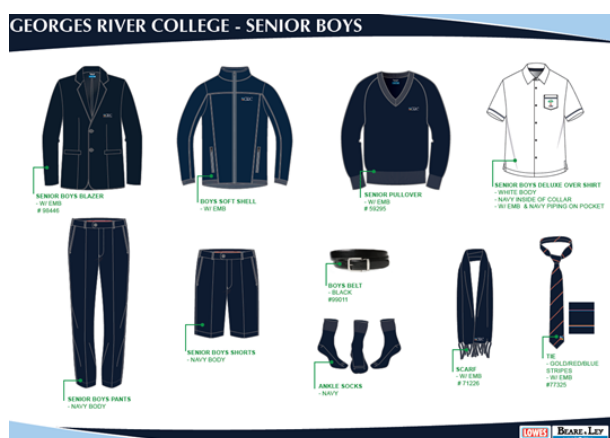
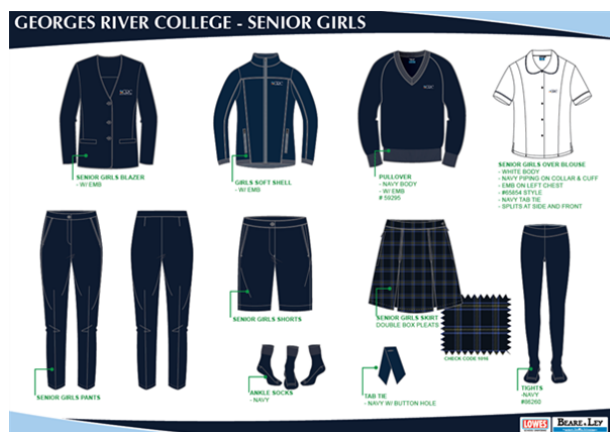
Uniform

GRC Oatley Senior Campus is a uniform school. The school uniform creates an identity for our school and is an important part of being a school student.

It is essential that all students are in correct school uniform every day and wear the uniform correctly during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

Our school uniform reflects school community standards and expectations. It was developed in consultation with and agreed upon by the school community. It is based on a strong student and parent voice.

Please support us in ensuring that your child arrives to school in full school uniform. The school uniform requires all students to be in black leather shoes and navy socks.



Examples of footwear which **COMPLY** with The Department of Education's WH&S guidelines

Girl's examples



Boy's examples



Examples of footwear which **DO NOT COMPLY** with The Department of Education's WH&S guidelines



Best Wishes for Term 1

Term 1 is a very busy time as complex organisation is implemented across the school and new students and families are supported during their transition to GRC Oatley. The school year has started very smoothly, and our students have already demonstrated great responsibility and maturity during the difficult conditions caused by recent heat and flooding.

Diary Dates – Term 1

- P&C AGM Meeting – Monday 28th March (7:00pm)
- Week 11 – Year 12 reports distributed

Diary Dates – Term 2

- Schools resumes for students – Wednesday Tuesday 27th April
- P&C Meeting – Monday 30th April and Monday 31st May (7:00pm)
- Year 12 Post School Options Parent Information Night – Monday 6th June
- Public Holiday – Monday 13th June
- Week 9 – Year 11 reports distributed
- Year 11 Parent Teacher Night – Thursday 23rd June (4:00 pm – 7:00pm)
- P&C Meeting – Monday 27th June (7:00pm)

GRC Oatley Senior Campus is focused on developing students who are not only academically successful but who are thoughtful citizens who contribute to their local community in a positive manner. I look forward to working with you this year to achieve our goal.

Anna Girginis
Principal

Science Faculty

Science students have enjoyed getting back into the laboratory this year. Virtual experiments aren't quite the same as the real thing. In the image, we can see year 11 Physics students doing

a great job collecting data from a toy car travelling down a ramp.



English Faculty

Dynamic learning afoot in English

Senior students have been harnessing the capacity of the level one flexible classroom environment, affording them greater autonomy by allowing them to tailor their classroom to suit their evolving educational needs. The enhancement of their future focused learning skills has also provided opportunities for our students to incorporate their critical thinking and communication skills by meaningfully collaborating in the vibrant ambiance of our dedicated learning spaces in English. The addition of the portable technology devices into classroom settings and our open learning spaces also affords our students with the seamless transition of their written work to digital platforms, allowing continuity of learning no matter the environment.



VET Faculty

This term in Hospitality Kitchen Operations students are working through the unit of competency appetisers and salads. This week they served staff lemon pepper squid with garlic aioli and chicken meatballs with sweet chilli dipping sauce. The students are learning to interpret recipes and make adjustments for dietary requirements. Mrs Donald loved her GF version.

TAPAS Lemon Pepper Squid and garlic aioli, Chicken meatballs with sweet chilli dipping sauce Between 4	
Ingredients Lemon Pepper Squid 3 squid heads ½ C rice flour 1 T lemon pepper - Egg white (left from aioli) Sauce 120gms garlic aioli	Ingredients Chicken Meatballs 600gms chicken mince 1 C stale bread crumbs 100ml Hos sun sauce 2 T barbeque sauce 1 T ginger 1 clove garlic, crushed Dipping sauce ½ C vinegar ½ C sugar 1 birds eye chilli ½ C sweet chilli sauce 1 T coriander ¼ Lebanese cucumber
Mise en place - Clean, score and cut squid into strips - Make batter with rice flour lemon pepper and egg white	
Lemon Pepper Squid - Combine rice flour with lemon pepper and egg white - Toss squid in flour - Then dip into batter - Deep fry squid until golden brown and drain on absorbent paper. - Serve with garlic aioli.	
Chicken Meatballs - Mix all ingredients - Shape into balls with wet hands. - Allow to stand to set. - Deep fry until cooked through. - Serve with sweet chilli sauce	
Dipping sauce - Combine vinegar, sugar and sweet chilli sauce in small saucepan, bring to the boil and reduce by 1/3 - Remove from heat. Add chilli, coriander and cucumber and serve	



Mathematics Faculty

Australian Mathematics Competition 2021

Thirteen of our students participated online in the Australian Mathematics Competition.

The Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC) is the leading mathematics competition in the country. Over the last four decades, more than 15 million students from Australia and over 30 countries in our region have taken part in this yearly competition.

The questions in the competition use knowledge from all the different strands of Mathematics and have a strong focus on problem solving.

It is my pleasure to report that 13 of the 13 participants received an award. We received 4 Proficiency awards, 8 Credits and 1 Distinction award.

The following students received the award of:

Distinction: Andrew Nguyen

Credit: Damian Lin, Hassan Ibrahim, Yan Liao, Shixan Silky Liang, Justin Radcliffe, Zitong Cai, Joshua Tang and Alex Trong Le.

Proficiency awards: Felicity Wang, Xiarou Li, Suthiwat (Scott) Praesi and Tim Liang

Congratulations to all our award winners.

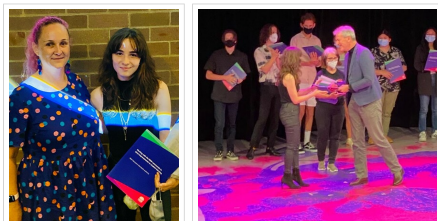
CAPA Faculty

ONSTAGE HSC DRAMA Showcase - GRC Shines!

Year 11 and Year 12 Drama travelled into the Seymour Centre on Feb 18 to watch OnStage - the showcase of exemplary

2021 HSC Drama performances and projects. The highlight of the day was being able to watch the moved reading of "The Beguilement", a script written by GRC student Patrice Merkouris. Patrice's work is the first ever script to be performed at OnStage in its 30 year history. It was certainly a smash hit with audiences. Year 12 students were thrilled to see the script in its final form, as they had acted out parts of the play for her in development during 2021 and provided feedback.

At the evening performance, we were very proud to watch Patrice receive her Onstage certificate from John Montgomery - NESA Creative Arts Inspector.



The Library, Learning and Resource Centre

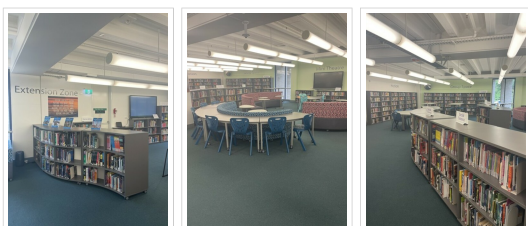
Students and staff at GRC Oatley have an amazing Library to utilise!

The Library, Learning and Resource Centre is located on Level 2, towards 'The Lake'. It has been recently re-furbished, and presents as new, modern, flexible teaching and learning spaces. It includes offices for Careers, Learning Support, and the Youth Workers, as well as experienced Teacher Librarians.

The Library is open all day, every day. Students have access to computers, specialist software, interactive screens, Seminar Rooms, scanning/printing, and three large Resource collections; also, there are few limits on the number of resources that may be borrowed. There is almost always someone who can help any student with information literacies, with learning support, with career choices and pathways, and with wellbeing support options.

From 8.30 am, every day, students can seek learning or practical support from the Teacher Librarian. We encourage the use of DET Portal accounts, including the Oliver Library system, for quick access to resources, including embedded links to the Clickview digital collection, Fairfax Media Publications, The State Library of NSW and Trove. The Library also supplies all textbooks.

Students have access to amazing resources at GRC Oatley.



Sports Report

Girls Volleyball

On Tuesday 22nd February the GRC Oatley girls' volleyball team played at the Sydney East Volleyball knockout competition at Menai Indoor Sports Centre. The first round they were up against St George Girls, and they took it out in two sets to progress to the quarter finals, where they would face Kingsgrove. The girls repeated their excellent game play and positive attitude, again winning in two sets. Next up was the semi-final. They were in for a tough fight against Sydney Girls. They started on a positive note winning the first set but unfortunately Sydney Girls fought back and won the match.

All girls displayed sportsmanship, teamwork and played so well on the day that the organisers of the competition commented that they should be proud of their performance, and that they were looking forward to GRC Oatley returning next year.

A mention must go to Christabell Soerjosebroto who has been asked to attend the second trial for the Sydney East girls' volleyball team this Friday. Good luck Christabell!



Environment Committee – Tree Planting

Late in 2021, under the direction of Mr Kerwick, a group of keen environmentalists spent a few hours planting some small native seedlings in and around the school lake. We had a fun afternoon, learning more about the various species we took great pride in planting. We hope that this will add to the biodiversity within our school grounds and provide additional habitat for native fauna. We planted *Crinum pedunculatum*, *Banksia serrata* and *Angophora costata*. The seedlings are thriving, and we will continue to nurture their growth.

