



# Congratulations

## to the Class of 2022

It is with a great sense of privilege and pride that I acknowledge the efforts and achievements of the Class of 2022.

After two years of challenges caused by the pandemic the Class of 2022 have emerged from the uncertainties of this period and embraced the many opportunities afforded to you here at Whitefriars to reach their full potential as learners and achieve the results they richly deserve.

It is very pleasing to see that the percentage of ATARs over 80 has grown from 34% in 2021 to 37% in 2022. There has also been a comparable increase in ATARs over 60 and over 70. The percentage of study scores over 40 this year was 5.5% and overall, the median ATAR increased from 74 to 77.

The College has maintained a median study score of 31, which is above the state average.

Our VCAL students also achieved excellent outcomes with the majority having secured apprenticeships or employment in 2023. In 2022 the number of students undertaking a VCAL pathway increased by 50%, which is a wonderful testament to the diversity of the students in this cohort, as well as the ability of Whitefriars to cater for the varied interests and aspirations of our young men.

Our 2022 VCE Dux Liam Gilmour, achieved an excellent ATAR score of 96.70. This is a testament to Liam's diligence and dedication. Next year Liam hopes to take up a place at Monash University, studying a double degree in Engineering and Commerce.

We are equally proud of our VCAL Dux, Harry Apostolopoulos, whose hard work, maturity and leadership will see him embark on an apprenticeship in Sports Turf Management at Green Acres Golf Course.

These two young men are representative of a group of students who achieved personal excellence across a broad range of pathways.

I would like to pay tribute to the many Whitefriars College staff who along with our wonderful parents have walked alongside these students throughout their six years at the College and who have dedicated themselves to supporting them to reach their full potential.

To the Class of 2022, I say well done. My prayer is that each of you find your way in the world beyond the College as good citizens and good gentle men.

Almae In Fide Parentis

Mr Mark Murphy  
Principal



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# College Dux



## Liam Gilmour | 96.70

English (43), Business Management (41), Mathematical Methods (37), Physics (37), Product Design & Technology (34), Specialist Mathematics (33)

Liam is a humble young person who has shown commitment to the pursuit of excellence in his studies. He has engaged in the richness of College life both inside and outside of the classroom during his time at Whitefriars. Liam has participated in ACC Table Tennis, ACC Basketball, ACC Athletics, ACC Cricket, Intermediate Guitar Ensemble, and the Science & Engineering Challenge. He has fostered a sense of connection and community within his Pastoral Care group (E3). Liam hopes to study a double degree in Engineering and Commerce at Monash University next year.

*"Liam Gilmour is the epitome of a gentle man. He has worked very hard, without fuss or bother, across his six years at the College, and he has shown that a strong work ethic and natural ability can be rewarded with excellent results; we are very proud of him in Stein. He has also been a very involved member of E3 and has been a wonderful mentor to younger Stein students. We know he has a bright future ahead of him."*  
Anne-Maree Wight, House Leader

Awards: Academic Endeavour (2019), Music Half Colours (2021)

## High Achievers



## David Dunlop | 96.20

English Language (47), Biology (39), Music Performance (39), Religion & Society (37), Mathematical Methods (35), Chemistry (33)

In 2022, David took on student leadership roles as Ensembles Captain and Chess Captain. He has mentored younger students in the Chess Club and led the team to victory in a number of significant ACC Chess competitions. David is a classically trained guitarist who has generously shared his passion for music with audiences at College events. He has participated in ICAS Science and Digital Technologies Competitions, achieving excellent results. He has also served the College community through his involvement in College Open Day.

Leadership Roles: Chess Captain (2022), Ensembles Captain (2022)

Awards: Academic Endeavour (2019), Academic Excellence (2020, 2021), Academic Half Colour (2020), Music Half Colours (2019), Music Full Colours (2021)



## Thomas Mutton | 95.95

Further Mathematics (47), Applied Computing (39), Mathematical Methods (39), Physics (36), Chemistry (34), English (34)

He has a passion for Mathematics and Sciences, as evidenced by his participation in the Science and Engineering Challenge. Thomas is an extremely polite, kind and friendly young man. He is a thoughtful and diligent student and consistently strives to get the very best out of himself. Despite being a more reserved student he readily gets into the spirit of College events.

Awards: Academic Half Colours (2022)



## Andrew Sparrow | 95.30

English (41), Economics (39), Mathematical Methods (38), Physics (37), Business Management (36), History: Revolutions (35)

A gentle and unassuming leader amongst his peers, Andrew took on the role of Commerce Captain this year and was a generous contributor to the Academic SRC. During his years at Whitefriars, Andrew has represented the College in ACC Hockey and ACC Basketball competitions. He has been a proud ambassador at College Open Days and has been involved in both the Senior Rock and Senior Guitar ensembles.

Leadership Roles: Commerce Captain (2022)

Awards: Academic Excellence (2019, 2021), Academic Endeavour (2020), Academic Half Colours (2021), Music Full Colours (2021)



# High Achievers



## Hamza Basam | 95.20

Biology (43), Further Mathematics (41), Mathematical Methods (37), English Language (34), Chemistry (32), Specialist Mathematics (28)

Hamza has pursued personal excellence consistently across his years at the College and was awarded Academic Colours. His focus has always very much been his Mathematics and Science subjects, which he loves. He has represented the College in ACC Volleyball and supported the College's Service Learning through his participation in the Rosies Street Mission outreach program.

Awards: Year Level Dux (Year 11, 2021), Academic Excellence (2019, 2021), Academic Half Colours (2019), Academic Full Colours (2021)



## Ethan Oppy | 94.90

Literature (41), Music Performance (41), Further Mathematics (40), Music Style & Composition (40), Theatre Studies (39), Religion & Society (39)

Ethan has consistently achieved academic excellence across his six years at the College and has embraced all aspects of life at Whitefriars. He has made a significant contribution to the vibrancy of the College's Performing Arts program and took on the role of Music Captain this year. He has pursued a Year 12 program which reflects his love of and strength in the Arts and his original composition was included in the Making Waves concert at the Melbourne Recital Centre.

Leadership Roles: Music Captain

Awards: Year Level Dux (Year 9, 2019), Academic, Debating, Drama, Music

# VCAL High Achiever



## Harry Apostolopoulos

Harry has been recognised for his commitment, determination, organisation and leadership in the Whitefriars College VCAL program. His optimistic outlook is apparent in all that he does, and he holds himself and others to high expectations.

His teachers describe him as trustworthy, loyal and dedicated to his learning. Harry is always willing to lend a helping hand, and this has been particularly apparent in his role as VCAL Captain this year – he is a strong advocate for applied learning. Harry is a proud ambassador for the College and has supported College Open Days and Subject Selection evenings. Next year Harry will be undertaking an apprenticeship in Sports Turf Management and will be working at Green Acres Golf Course.

*"Harry is a charming, gentle young man who adopted a hard-working, diligent approach to his VCAL studies and was rewarded with strong results and a much sought-after greenkeeper apprenticeship at a golf club. He was the VCAL Captain and very successfully promoted the program, leading the other students in a positive manner with his strong work ethic and always enthusiastic, positive nature. He was a very valued member of Stein House who epitomises the Carmelite ethos."*

Anne-Maree Wight, House Leader

Leadership Roles: VCAL Captain (2022)

Awards: Academic Excellence (2019), Academic Endeavour (2020, 2021), VCAL High Achiever (2022)



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