A FAITH THAT DOES JUSTICE
XAVIER COLLEGE THEME FOR 2014

We are very proud of the academic achievements of the Class of 2014. Xavier College is an academically inclusive College and we celebrate the abilities of all our students and congratulate every member of the graduating Class of 2014. They have demonstrated the essence of the College theme, A Faith that does Justice in all their endeavours throughout their time at Xavier College. In their time at Xavier College they have been involved in 24,950 hours of Ignatian Service, as well as enjoying countless sporting and co-curricular achievements. They have drawn much strength from all that Xavier College has to offer and from the support of their dedicated teachers, which has translated into excellent VCE results.

Annually, more than 98% of our Year 12 students move to Higher Education and so we use the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) rather than individual study scores as our means of ranking. The Dux of Xavier College is awarded to the student who achieves the highest ATAR.

We congratulate Xavier Tierney who has attained the highest possible ATAR of 99.95 and has been nominated as Xavier College Dux for 2014. We congratulate Xavier on his success and we wish him well as he embarks on the next stage of his learning journey. In 2013 Xavier received study scores of 45 in Mathematical Methods CAS and this year received scores of 50 in English and Physics, 42 in Specialist Mathematics and 40 in Chemistry. He also received a H1 score of 90 for Mathematics in the University of Melbourne Extension program.

Matthew Yii (99.90) will receive the Ob Insigne Meritum award, in recognition of his fine achievements. In 2013 Matthew received 36 for Latin and 41 for Mathematical Methods CAS. In 2014 Matthew received 49 in English and Physics, 43 in Specialist Mathematics and 41 in Chemistry with a H1 score of 81 for Mathematics in the University of Melbourne Extension program. Matthew is also a Melbourne University Kwong Lee Dow Scholar.

In addition to these top achievers, the class of 2014 were well represented at high ranks on the ATAR scale:

- 15 students (6%) attained an ATAR of more than 99 (top 1% of the State)
- 57 students (23%) attained an ATAR of more than 95 (top 5% of the State)
- 89 students (36%) attained an ATAR of more than 90 (top 10% of the State)
- 150 students (61%) attained an ATAR of more than 80 (top 20% of the State)

The median ATAR for 2014 is 85.15. This means that 50% of our students scored in the top 14.85% of the State.

Perfect study scores of 50 were achieved in both English and Physics.
The median study score was 33 with 17.8% of study scores above 40. At the VCE Academic Awards Assembly, which will be held on Wednesday 4 February 2015, prizes will be awarded to students who achieved the highest study scores in each subject:

- **Accounting:** Nicholas Lefebvre (43)
- **Biology:** James Gustin (43) \[Year 11 students are in italics\]
- **Business Management:** Mark Dowling (46)
- **Chemistry:** Aidan Batten (47)
- **Classical Studies:** Seamus Horan (49)
- **Drama:** Axel Poes (44)
- **Economics:** Edward Elliott (41)
- **English:** Xavier Tierney (50)
- **English (as Additional Language):** James Tapa (45)
- **Geography:** Joseph Barlow (36)
- **History - Australian:** Joseph Alamidis (44)
- **History - Revolutions:** James Steward (48)
- **Languages - Classical Greek:** Mark Donato (40)
- **Languages - French:** Matthew Christensen, Jake French (44)
- **Languages - Italian:** Jourdan Falvo (44)
- **Languages - Japanese:** Francisco Kim (47) \[Year 10\]
- **Languages - Latin:** Jonathan Zhou (42)
- **Legal Studies:** Miles Bergin (49)
- **Literature:** Darcy Keogh (46)
- **Mathematics - Further:** David Lynch (48)
- **Mathematical Methods CAS:** Vincent Nadurata (48)
- **Mathematics - Specialist:** Matthew Yii (43)
- **Media:** Daniel Pederick (48)
- **Music Performance:** Hugh Davies (41)
- **Outdoor & Environmental Studies:** Nicholas Coburn (44)
- **Physical Education:** Jake French (44)
- **Physics:** Xavier Tierney (50)
- **Politics - Australian:** Timothy Peyton (42)
- **Software Development:** Adam McArthur, Sean Paeglis (40)
- **Studio Arts:** Nicholas Archer (38)
- **Texts & Traditions:** Samuel Cleeve (48)
- **Theatre Studies:** Axel Poes (40)
- **Visual Communication & Design:** Andrew Pankevicius (49)
- **VET Music Tech Production:** Jordan Matino (36)
- **VET Interactive Digital Media:** Jason Alessio (34)

In addition to the fine achievements of the students listed above, there are many other outstanding results for both the 2014 Year 12 students and, encouragingly, the 2014 Year 11 students. We acknowledge the dedication and expertise of the teachers who have worked with the graduating class of 2014 across all levels and across all campuses of the College and we thank the parents and families of these 245 young men for their support, particularly in this, their final year at Xavier College.

May this Christmas be full of great joy for you and your family.

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