



EXCELLAMUS *'Let Us Excel'*

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Cohuna Secondary College Child Safe contact is the Principal
If you believe a child is at immediate risk of abuse phone 000.

"I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and our school is built, the Barapa Barapa people. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging, for they hold the memories, traditions and the culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia.

Cohuna Secondary College is committed to acknowledging, building and sustaining respect and understanding between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians."

A Oh wow...Year 12 you have upheld our motto 'Excellamus' Let us excel!

T Congratulations to our Year 12 students, the small cohort of 27 Year 12 students who sat their final exams, have excelled in their academic results. Our hearts are full. We are so proud of all of them. Cohuna Secondary College continues to punch above its weight!

T I would like to acknowledge Raphael Umali who is the 2022 Dux of Cohuna Secondary College with an ATAR result of 97.75. This result is very well deserved!

E We had another three other students whose hard work has seen them achieve scores also in the 90's. Alicia McFarlane with a very impressive score of 97.3, Alyssa Bourke with a score of 94.55 and Tess Doyle 92.55 Simply amazing!

N This is more than 10% of our group above 90. That is above the state average!

D Our Year 12's have certainly excelled. We had 11 study scores of 40+, with a number of these in the high forties. What an achievement!

A We had two Year 12 students who continued to pursue their passion for music. Raphael, continued to work with his music teacher and then played beautifully for all of us on Presentation Night. I watched the faces of the audience. They were mesmerised as was I.

N Alicia had her music composition selected for the Making Waves concert held recently in Melbourne. The Flinders string quartet played her music. This is truly amazing.

C Let us not forget those students who have worked hard and who have achieved ATAR scores that will get them into their university course of their preference. Congratulations and well done to you all.

E These results couldn't happen without the support and work of our dedicated staff. I see the work they do, I know of the 'out of school' work that goes into each student and I hear the pride in their voices when a young person succeeds. They go above and beyond for each of our students. Throughout the VCE years this work only increases further. I'd like to thank each and every staff member for the work that they do and have done throughout the year.

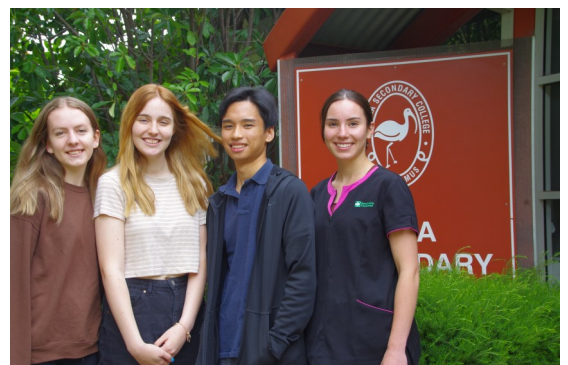
M To the parents and families of a Year 12 student, I tip my hat to each of you. Year 12 is a hard and often stressful year. Without your support, encouragement and patience your young person wouldn't have been able to focus and achieve as they have. We as a college, appreciate your support as together we have worked to ensure the success of your young person.

T The results this week, prove that students in small rural schools can achieve outstanding results comparable to their city counterparts. However, it just doesn't fall into their laps, it takes considerable hard work and dedication to one's studies.

Together in partnership, we can excel

Mrs. Fiona Miller - Principal

*Merry
Christmas*



Year 7 Honours Certificates: Indianna Crilly & Zoe Pollock **Year 7 Dux:** Oliver Mathers

Year 8 Honours Certificates: Ryder Van der Zande, Joeline Mathers & Charli Moon **Year 8 Dux:** Broden Wishart

Year 9 Honours Certificates: Cooper Lacy & Alfie Quinlan **Year 9 Dux:** Paige O'Connell

Year 10 Honours Certificates: Charlee Sherlock & Daniel Hawken **Year 10 Dux:** Ebony Black

Year 11 Honours Certificates: Tynan Dove & Jules Sudayan **Year 11 Dux:** Hayley Rooney



VCE SUBJECT DUX Certificates:

Agricultural & Hort	Ebony Smith
Biology	Alyssa Bourke
Business Management	Tess Doyle
Chemistry	Alyssa Bourke
Product Design & Tech	Marcus Fergusson
English	Alyssa Bourke, Alicia McFarlane
Health & HD	Tess Doyle
Legal Studies	Alyssa Bourke
Further Maths	Tess Doyle, Kody Borchard, Abel Prout
Math Methods	Raphael Umali
Music Styles & Compositions	Alicia McFarlane
Physical Education	Riley Mason, Jaspar Wilson Keir
Physics	Alicia McFarlane
Psychology	Alicia McFarlane
Sociology	Shona Hore
Specialist Maths	Raphael Umali
Studio Arts	Olivia Griffiths
Systems Engineering	Mitchell Treacy



Year 12 Dux: Raphael Umali

Domain Awards: French awarded to students who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and excellence in French. **Awarded to Indianna Crilly (Year 7) & Charli Moon (Year 8).**

Mathematics Awarded to students who have demonstrated outstanding dedication, growth and excellence in Maths in Years 7-10. **Awarded to Oliver Mathers (Year 7), Brianna Bourke (Year 8), Paige O'Connell (Year 9) and Ebony Black (Year 10).**

Science: Awarded to a student in Years 7-10 who have demonstrated outstanding dedication and excellence in Science. **Awarded to: Paige O'Connell**



Outstanding Sportspersons for 2022: An award to recognise a student for their participation and achievement for individual and team sports. **Awarded to: Marli Easton & Jude Palmer**

Australian Music Examinations Board: Acknowledgement for their achievement in their theory exams **Awarded to: Charlee Sherlock**

Lynette and Bradley Whyte Memorial Junior School Scholarship This Junior School Scholarship has been established in memory of Lyn and Brad who have both been strongly connected with Cohuna Secondary College. The family have decided that this scholarship should be awarded to a student in either Year 7 or Year 8, who is a versatile talent and who will be encouraged to develop their talents to the full. **Awarded to: Mackenzie Dobie**

Eileen & Ned Turnour Memorial Award This book award has been established by the Turnour family in memory of Eileen. As Eileen was a Librarian, the award is for a student in Years 7-9, who has worked hard, uses the library and above all has made a genuine effort with their studies. **Awarded to: Silas Toll**

Staff Association Award A book award sponsored by Cohuna Secondary College Staff Association. Awarded to a student in Year 10 who upholds the values of CSC and has demonstrated a commitment to their studies. **Awarded to Angus Donat**



Meander Writing Competition Donated by the Narelle Sue Hildebrand Memorial Trust Fund. The award is in each of Junior, Intermediate & Senior sections for the best writing piece published in the Meander. **Awarded to: Junior - Broden Wishart Intermediate - Ava Van der Zande & Senior - Daisy McGlone.**

St Marys Parish Good Samaritan Award For a student who does more than society can expect from them as they endeavour to make the world a better place. The students seeks to provide a positive message about the important effect even a small good deed in class or in school can have on the lives of so many other people. **Awarded to Saxon Dwyer**

The Gannawarra Shire Bursary 1. Value: \$200 per person (to be paid in advance for 1 year only.) 2. Level: To be awarded to a student in Year 10 or 11 who is about to proceed to the next higher level, provided that Year 11 students receive first consideration. Conditions: Scholastic attainments during the whole year immediately prior to the award being made, are to be taken into consideration. The recipient must show evidence of character and leadership. **Awarded to Meiha Burns, Lainie Hawken & Harmony Taylor**

Cohuna Neighbourhood House Community Art Gallery - "Colin Peel Award" Awarded to a student who has achieved excellence in The Arts at VCE level. The student's art work is to be exhibited in the Community Art Gallery. Value of \$150. **Awarded to Olivia Griffiths**

The 'Insight Award' The 'Insight Award' is for a Year 11 VCE student. The criteria for this award is that the recipient should have made significant progress during the academic year (but not necessarily be the highest achiever) and who would make the most of the award. The award consists of a certificate, a pack of resources to the value of up to \$300 and a \$50 stationary voucher. **Awarded to Jules Sudayan & Xavier Goulding**



Australian Defence Force 'Long Tan' Leadership & Teamwork Awards Awarded to students who have displayed leadership and teamwork across a range of areas. Value, Year 10 \$250 & Year 12 \$550. **Awarded to Xavier Wishart & Ebony Smith**

SRC Scholarship An award sponsored by the Students' Representative Council. Awarded to a student in Year 9 for all round excellence. \$100 **Awarded to: Maddy Black**

CCLLN Award this is for students who have been hard working, industrious and achieved excellent results in their Work Experience, VCAL or VET **Awarded to Brylie Dehne & Daisy McGlone**

AWMA Award This award is sponsored by AWMA Water Control Solutions and is awarded to a student participating in the Year 9/10 Metalwork elective, who is dedicated to improving their welding skills. The student must have demonstrated excellence and initiative in their metal work studies. Prize is a welding helmet. **Awarded to Aaron Garner**

Junior School R.S.L. Scholarship Donated by Cohuna - Leitchville Sub Branch of the R.S.L Conditions: 1. Recipient must reside within the Shire of Gannawarra. 2. Educational qualifications to be decided by the Principal. **Awarded to: Joelie Mathers**



Coy & Harry Stone Memorial Fund (Year 11) This award is in memory of Coy and Harry Stone who served on various school and Mother's Club committees in the 1940s and 50s. It is donated by Beth Stone. The award is valued at \$350 each. **Awarded to Carolyn Fergusson, Gracie Pearce & Brittney Tierney**

Cohuna Secondary College Best All Rounder Award This award aims to encourage and reward a student in Year 12 for commitment and consistent excellence in school and in community service activities. The Caltex Best All Rounder is someone with the attributes that Cohuna Secondary College strives to instil in all of its students. Those attributes include: academic excellence across a range of subjects, willing to help others and makes selfless contributions, exemplary conduct, is a role model to other students, participates in both school and community activities and participates in sporting activities without necessarily being a champion. **Awarded to Sammi Moon**

VCE Encouragement Award A book award, awarded to a student who has shown that through hard work, high achievement is possible. **Awarded to Tess Doyle**

Principal's Award This award is for a girl or boy in Year 12 who is a quiet achiever and contributes positively to the school community. **Awarded to Alicia McFarlane**

School Council Award for Citizenship This book is awarded to a VCE student who displays the most outstanding qualities of school citizenship. **Awarded to Abel Prout**

DS Kerr Scholarship Donated from the DS Kerr Charitable Trust. This scholarship criteria include: a student from any year level who has made a strong commitment to their studies all year, exemplary conduct, upholds the values of Cohuna Secondary College and who also may participate in college and/or community activities. Cash prize \$250 x 2. **Awarded to: Hayley Rooney & Charlee Sherlock**

Class of 1956 & 1957 Reunion Committee Award This award is donated from the Reunion Committee, to be awarded to students who have demonstrated a commitment to their studies and have a never give up attitude **Awarded to Macey Dehne & Mitchell Treacy**



Technology Award Book award presented to a student who has performed exceedingly well in Years 9 or 10 Foods, Textiles, or Technology studies. **Awarded to: Mikaela Bertos**

Future Leader of the Year Award Is for recognition of teamwork and leadership skills through the Future Leaders Program for 2022. **Awarded to: Cooper Lacy**

Legendairy Award This is an encouragement award for a student from Years 9 or 10 who has demonstrated through hard work and persistence a commitment to their studies. The award is sponsored by the Leitchville Cohuna Dairy Discussion Group. **Awarded to: Elley Reid**

Tech Award - donated by Echuca Steel & Sheds to a student in Year 7 - 10 who has been hard working and diligent in their endeavours in either Woodwork or Technology Studies **Awarded to: Dylan Reid**

Mawson's Award Awarded to a student who has been hard working, industrious and has an excellent attitude in all areas of schooling. We have two equally deserving recipients: **Awarded to Georgie Neil & Hudson Fountain**

Lions Club of Cohuna – Jim Lannen Memorial Award

* This award is presented annually by the Lions Club of Cohuna, recognises and gives encouragement to developing the promising talent of a student from the Arts Learning Area.

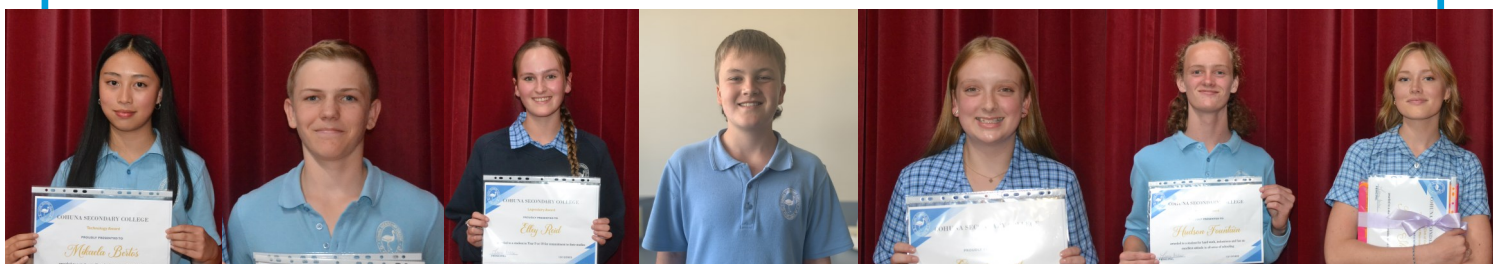
* The recipient may be selected for their presentation or performance in Art, Music, Graphics, Drama or Media.

* Nomination of students for the award may come from across all levels of the College.

* The award is a book and cheque to the value of \$250.

Nominations of students to be considered for this award will be made by teachers of these study areas and the final decision by a panel of appropriate co-ordinators in consultation with the Principal or Assistant Principal.

Awarded to Molly Sherlock



Special thanks: The college would like to thank Bus Proprietors, Mr Gavin Hird and Mr & Mrs Ron Stanton, for their contribution to our local primary schools. Their donation of \$100 per student is awarded to a Grade 6 entering Year 7 at CSC in 2023. Mr and Mrs Nicholas Carmody also donate the same amount to a student in Year 10 at Pyramid Hill College who is to attend CSC for their VCE studies.

2022

Monday 19th December STAFF PLANNING DAY

Tuesday 20th December END OF TERM 4 - dismissal 12.30pm

2023

Tuesday 24th January BOOKLIST COLLECTION DAY @ CSC 8.00am to 5.00pm

Friday 27th January STAFF COMMENCE TERM 1

Monday 30th January STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 1

Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th January Year 7 Camp - Geelong

Thursday 16th February SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Here's
What's
Happening!

For more **calendar dates** visit our **website:** www.cohuna-sc.vic.edu.au



NDCH

Northern District Community Health

5 Ways for Happy Holidays



As we near the end of the year NDCH want to extend our best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday. We encourage you to spend time with loved ones, in ways that are safe, and to take the time to relax and recover after what has been a big year for all. We are so proud of our community and cannot wait to be back working with you all next year. In the meantime here are some tips from the 5 Ways to Wellbeing to ensure you all have happy holidays.

CONNECT

Spend time with loved ones (in a COVID safe way) and be present with them. Enjoy the meals together, the laughter and catch ups and all that comes with gathering together. These are the times your children will have memories of forever.

BE ACTIVE

Walk, swim if it is hot, play backyard cricket. Find ways to keep your body moving during the holiday period and encourage your children to join in with you.

TAKE NOTICE

Take the time to notice the joy around you this Christmas and share it with your children. It might be the lights and decorations around the towns or the excitement of children as they share and receive gifts. Being in the moment helps us stay positive and happy.

DISCOVER OR KEEP LEARNING

Support your child to read that new book they got from Santa, or to learn to play their new instrument. You might do a crossword puzzle or even travel somewhere and learn about another town. Challenging our brains helps to keep them strong no matter what age we are.

GIVE OR VOLUNTEER

Holidays are a time of giving not just receiving. Show your children that you can give in the form of gifts, perhaps donate new or used toys to those less fortunate. Or you could volunteer your time to help out many of the much needed services over the holiday period.