



# ST PIUS X COLLEGE

CHATSWOOD

*Congratulations*

Class of 2020



*High Achievers and  
HSC Results*

*fide et labore*  
THROUGH FAITH AND HARD WORK

## Ethan Tat

ATAR 98.10

- » College Prefect - Academic Portfolio
- » Academic Excellence
- » Represented the College in Swimming, Debating (College Blue), Squash, Chess and Robotics
- » Peer Mentor and Eucharistic Minister
- » Edmund Rice Leadership Award



St Pius has provided me with unforgettable memories, opportunities for growth and life-long friendships.

My tip for getting good results in the HSC is to find your passion. Success will come if you choose subjects you genuinely enjoy doing.

**2021: Studying a Bachelor of Actuary and Bachelor of Applied Finance at Macquarie University**

## John McDonald

ATAR 97.75

- » College Blue for Academic Studies
- » Academic Excellence
- » Edmund Rice Leadership Award
- » Member of the Academic Leadership Team
- » Represented the College in Basketball and Football (College Silver)
- » Peer Support Leader and Peer Member



The teachers at St Pius X go beyond academics and care about who you are as a person, your values and the man you want to become. School also provides a lot of fun and great friends.

An important thing is building resilience. It is inevitable not all things will go according to plan, but don't feel dejected. The only thing you can do is promise yourself to do it better next time. It is also important to instill dedication and discipline in younger years, to train your mind – those who cruise by on natural talent or expect a sudden boost of motivation in Year 12 will be disappointed.

**2021: Studying a Bachelor of Civil Engineering at UNSW**

## Duncan Dingley

ATAR 96.85

- » Purton House Captain
- » College Gold for Academic Studies
- » Academic Excellence
- » The Macquarie University Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement
- » USYD Gifted and Talented Discovery Program
- » Edmund Rice Leadership Award
- » Represented the College in Athletics, Cricket (College Gold) and Rugby (College Silver)
- » Peer Support Leader



I really enjoyed the teamwork and close relationships I made at St Pius X. There is a genuine sense of teamwork and community in Years 11 and 12 that brings people closer together and supports them in doing their best.

My tips for doing well would be to have a balanced life. Being happy and having a good mindset are important.

**2021: Studying Actuarial Studies and Applied Finance at Macquarie University**

## Kiefer O'Brien

ATAR 96.60

- » Barron House Captain
- » College Silver for Academic Studies
- » Academic Honours
- » St Pius X Old Boys' Association Shield for the Best All Rounder – Study and Sport
- » Australian Olympic Change Maker Award
- » Represented the College in Athletics (College Silver), ISA Cross Country, Cricket (College Blue) and Rugby (College Silver)
- » Peer Support Leader, Peer Mentor and Eucharistic Minister
- » Edmund Rice Leadership Award



St Pius provided me with me with so many opportunities. In particular my experiences at St Gabriel's, CentaCare and Willowood allowed me to reflect on how privileged I am and have shown me the importance of treating everyone with humility and kindness.

My tips for getting good results and managing the HSC are to plan ahead. Start organising your time early and ensure that you always take the time to understand tricky concepts and cement your knowledge through completing practice questions and papers.

**2021: Studying a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Pre-medicine) at UTS**

## Michael Setiawan

ATAR 96.55

- » Represented the College in Chess
- » Academic Excellence

**2021: Studying a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Sydney**



What I enjoyed most about Pius was the amount of opportunities given to students to develop as 21st Century leaders. The College is one of dignity, and I am proud to have been part of a community which values and promotes humility, stewardship, perseverance and discipline.

My advice for excelling in the HSC is to be self-motivated. Your attitude determines your success so be organised, start things early, set goals, and never give up, because hard work pays off.

# Congratulations

## Class of 2020

The Class of 2020 continued the tradition of high achievement in the Higher School Certificate. Their results were particularly commendable given the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. It was a credit to the students and their teachers that they adjusted their methodologies to ensure the continuation of their studies.

Congratulations to the College Dux, Riad Lahoud, with the excellent ATAR of 98.40. It was pleasing to see 19 students achieve an ATAR above 95 and over 25% of the cohort gaining ATARs above 90. Results gained in Legal Studies and Mathematics were particularly notable amongst an excellent group.

As has become common, the students were highly involved in their leadership roles and extra-curricular activities. They provided a great example to the younger students. It is pleasing to see the continuing success of Performing Arts with students again nominated for ENCORE and OnSTAGE.

John Couani  
PRINCIPAL



### Summary of 2020 HSC Results

<b>College Dux</b>	Riad Lahoud ATAR 98.40
<b>All Rounders (attained Band 6 in 10 or more units)</b>	Riad Lahoud
<b>ATARs above 95</b>	19
<b>ATARs over 90</b>	35
<b>Distinguished Achievers</b>	68 students listed as Distinguished Achievers
	121 mentions in the Distinguished Achievers List*
<b>Special Mentions Nominated for ENCORE</b>	Kieran Zucconi
<b>Nominated for OnSTAGE</b>	Daniel Halverson and Luke Thompson
<b>Total Number of Bands 5, 6, E3 and E4</b>	475
<b>Courses above the State Average</b>	80%

\* Includes Year 11 Mathematics Accelerants

## College Dux Riad Lahoud

### ATAR 98.40 HSC All Rounder

- » College Gold for Academic Studies
- » Academic Honours First Class
- » Leading Opens Tennis Player
- » Edmund Rice Leadership Award
- » Member of the Academic Leadership Team
- » Represented the College in Tennis (College Gold) and Music and gained ISA representation in Tennis
- » Tennis Captain in 2020



2021: Studying a Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Dalyell Scholar) at the University of Sydney

St Pius X provided a liberating environment, ensuring the importance of strong academic results and personal wellbeing through numerous activities. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to study at the College, where the staff's leadership and extensive knowledge in all subjects, allowed me to remain confident and organised leading up to the HSC examinations. It also provided me with strong values and relationships that I will forever cherish.

My tips for getting good results and managing the HSC are to find your purpose or a goal that will keep you focused. Writing up practice responses and requesting feedback was a pivotal factor in my success. Make sure you saturate yourself in learning and develop a genuine interest, where this will assist you to stand out. Lastly, your expectations should never exceed your work ethic, so put 110% into everything in front of you, but attain a balanced lifestyle through taking up other activities such as sport.

# YEAR 12 HSC HIGH ACHIEVERS, ATAR 90 OR ABOVE



Riad Lahoud  
COLLEGE DUX  
ATAR 98.40



Oliver Bowers



Jude Boyle



Matthew Bradley



William Chen



Duncan Dingley



Michael Fakhoury



Willem Falzon



Cameron Fernandopulle



Ethan Field



Nicholas Fusca



Braiden Gunaratnam



Daniel Halverson



Willoughby Hay



Caelan Hearne



Matthew Hogan



Daniel Hoy



Corey Johnson



Oliver Lenahan



Austin Lowick



# YEAR 12 HSC HIGH ACHIEVERS, ATAR 90 OR ABOVE



Oliver Marx



Lachlan Mathie



John McDonald



Luke McManus



Kiefer O'Brien



Rory O'Connell



Connor Ohtaras



Sebastian San Pedro



Christian Santelli



Michael Setiawan



Oliver Sheather



Matthew Starr



Ethan Tat



Liam Vinci



Louis Wellard



Kieran Zucconi  
Nominated for ENCORE



Daniel Halverson  
Nominated for OnSTAGE



Luke Thompson  
Nominated for OnSTAGE



## St Pius X College students achieving the Top 2 bands (Bands 5, 6, E3 and E4)

Subject	St Pius X College	State	Difference (%)
	Top 2 bands	Top 2 bands	
English Extension 2	100.0	25.9	74.2
Software Design & Development	100.0	37.4	62.6
Chinese Beginners	100.0	45.8	54.2
Drama	100.0	47.2	52.8
Information Process & Technology	80.0	32.1	47.9
Chemistry	84.6	42.9	41.8
Ancient History	70.6	33.1	37.5
Music 1	100.0	64.1	35.9
Visual Arts	100.0	64.7	35.3
Business Studies	68.3	34.9	33.4
Studies of Religion II	75.0	43.6	31.4
Mathematics Standard 2	54.4	24.5	29.9
Physics	69.4	40.4	29.1
Legal Studies	66.7	39.4	27.3
Mathematics Extension 2	100.0	83.9	16.1
Modern History	52.5	37.1	15.4
Mathematics Advanced	67.2	52.5	14.7
Music 2	100.0	87.8	12.2
French Continuers	75.0	63.6	11.4
Engineering Studies	44.4	33.5	10.9
Industrial Technology	33.3	23.7	9.6
Geography	50.0	41.5	8.5
Biology	37.5	30.5	7.0
English (Advanced)	67.1	63.3	3.8
English (Standard)	14.7	11.5	3.2
Music Extension	100.0	97.3	2.8
Personal Development, Health & PE	35.7	34.2	1.5

## St Pius X College Course Means above State

Subject	St Pius X College	State	% above State mean
Information Process & Technology	86.16	70.97	15.2
Software Design & Development	88.85	73.82	15.0
Chinese Beginners	84.2	70.44	13.8
Legal Studies	85.43	74.97	10.5
Business Studies	82.16	71.99	10.2
Chemistry	84.69	75.52	9.2
Mathematics Standard 2	77.44	68.4	9.0
Ancient History	81.05	72.1	9.0
French Beginners	85.15	76.25	8.9
Music 1	90.1	81.56	8.5
Modern History	80.55	72.53	8.0
Studies of Religion II	83.36	75.5	7.9
Drama	87.28	79.62	7.7
Physics	80.98	73.99	7.0
Industrial Technology	76.43	69.45	7.0
Mathematics Extension 2	88.16	81.46	6.7
Personal Development, Health & PE	78.95	72.46	6.5
English Extension 2	45.5	39.43	6.1
Biology	77.35	72.39	5.0
English (Standard)	73.97	69.93	4.0
Mathematics Advanced	82.46	79.2	3.3
Geography	77.41	74.45	3.0
Visual Arts	83.93	81.02	2.9
Engineering Studies	76.67	74.2	2.5
Economics	78.95	77.02	1.9
English Extension 1	42.3	41.66	0.6
Music Extension	45.3	45.1	0.2
English (Advanced)	81.51	81.33	0.2

## Students who achieved a result in the Top Band in a course

### Keegan Aikin

Mathematics Extension 2

### Emerson Ansted

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Oliver Bowers

Software Design and Development

### Nicholas Boxall

Mathematics Advanced  
Physics

### Jude Boyle

Physics

### Matthew Bradley

Mathematics Advanced  
Physics

### Zachary Bull

Mathematics Advanced

### Nathan Byrne

Mathematics Extension 1 \*

### Nicolas Carr

Drama

### Joel Chand

Mathematics Advanced \*

### William Chen

Modern History

### Alexander Clelland

Mathematics Standard 2

### Reuben Cuasay

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Extension 2 \*

### Jonathan Dellagiacomma

Mathematics Advanced

### Matthew Di Ciano

Legal Studies

### Duncan Dingley

English Advanced  
Legal Studies

### Patrick Djizmedjian

Mathematics Advanced

### Michael Fakhoury

Business Studies

### Willem Falzon

Geography  
Legal Studies  
Modern History

### Warnakulasuriya

### Fernando

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Advanced \*

### Cameron Fernandopulle

English Advanced  
English Extension 1

### Ethan Field

Physics

### Nicholas Fusca

Business Studies  
Personal Development,  
Health and Physical  
Education

### Luke Galati

Mathematics Standard 2

### Jacob Glass

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Braiden Gunaratnam

Mathematics Extension 1

### Daniel Halverson

Drama  
Physics

### Willoughby Hay

Studies of Religion II

### Caelan Hearne

English Advanced  
English Extension 1  
English Extension 2

### Jack Hettler

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Advanced \*

### Matthew Hogan

English Extension 2  
Mathematics Advanced  
Modern History

### Thomas Hopkins

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Extension 2 \*

### Daniel Hoy

Legal Studies  
Music 2  
Music Extension

### Matthew Kachel

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Riad Lahoud

Business Studies  
Economics  
English Advanced  
Mathematics Advanced  
Studies of Religion II

### Oliver Lenehan

Information Processes and Technology

Mathematics Extension 1  
Mathematics Advanced

Music 1

Software Design and Development

### Austin Lowick

French Beginners

### Thomas Ma

Legal Studies \*

### Sebastian Majarian

Legal Studies  
Mathematics Standard 2

### Oliver Marx

Biology  
Mathematics Advanced

### Luke Massa

Mathematics Extension 1  
Mathematics Advanced

### Lachlan Mathie

Business Studies  
English Advanced  
Studies of Religion II

### John McDonald

Chemistry  
Physics

### Charles McElvogue

Japanese Beginners

### Luke McManus

English Extension 1  
Modern History  
History Extension

### Benjamin Montgomery

Mathematics Standard 2

### Patrick Moore

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Kiefer O'Brien

English Advanced  
Mathematics Advanced  
Studies of Religion II  
French Beginners

### Rory O'Connell

Biology  
Personal Development,  
Health and Physical  
Education

### Connor Ohtaras

Biology  
Business Studies  
Legal Studies  
Studies of Religion I

### Joshua Overton

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Ryan Pratt

Legal Studies

### Sebastian San Pedro

Chemistry

### Christian Santelli

Business Studies  
Legal Studies  
Modern History  
Studies of Religion I

### James Scaiff

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Extension 2 \*

### Michael Setiawan

English Advanced

### Oliver Sheather

Mathematics Advanced

### Matthew Starr

Mathematics Extension 2

### Ethan Tat

Chemistry  
Physics

### David Thirugnanaraj

Mathematics Extension 1 \*  
Mathematics Advanced \*

### Luke Thompson

Drama

### Liam Vinci

Business Studies  
Mathematics Standard 2  
Modern History  
Personal Development,  
Health and Physical  
Education

### Harrison Wallace

Information Processes and Technology

### Samuel Walters

Mathematics Advanced

### Nicholas Ward

Mathematics Advanced \*

### Matthew Weir

Mathematics Advanced

### Louis Wellard

Ancient History  
English Advanced  
Modern History  
Visual Arts

### Kieran Zucconi

Legal Studies

\* Year 11 Accelerant

## Major Year Prizes



<b>The Br M M O'Connor Prize</b>	For General Excellence and Leadership	Lachlan Mathie
<b>The Br J R Killian Award</b>	For Personal Character and Influence on the Life of the College	William Chen
<b>The Macquarie University Prize</b>	For Outstanding Academic Achievement	Duncan Dingley
<b>The St Pius X Old Boys' Association Shield</b>	For the Best All Rounder – Study and Sport	Kiefer O'Brien
<b>The Br Coll MacDonald Award</b>	For Consistent Effort and Desire to Improve	Luke McManus
<b>The New Street Medal</b>	In recognition of being a Good Man for Others	Tyson McCallum
<b>The Australian Defence Force Long Tan</b>	Leadership and Teamwork Award	Elliot Inman
<b>The Theo Scarf Shield</b>	For Sportsman of the Year	Stuart Dingley
<b>The Simon D'Arcy Trophy</b>	For Contribution to Sport at St Pius X College	Charlie Aylmer
<b>The Alan Ward Memorial Prize</b>	For Contribution to Music & the Performing Arts	William Turner
<b>The Keith Kellett Award</b>	For the Leading Senior Band Member	Daniel Hoy
<b>The Australian Olympic Change-Maker Award</b>	In recognition of sporting achievements consistent with the values of the Olympic Movement	Tyson McCallum Kiefer O'Brien

## Academic, Colour and Waterford Awards

