



Avila  
College

# VCE 2017 Results

Congratulations to  
the Class of 2017  
on outstanding results.

20% of the VCE class achieved an ATAR score over 90 placing them in the top 10% of the state and 100% of the VCAL class achieved their senior level VCAL.

➤ Congratulations to Nicole Ng  
**Avila College DUX 2017**



**Nicole Ng 98.1**

DUX 2017

English, Physics, Biology  
Indonesian Second Language,  
Specialist Mathematics,  
Mathematical Methods,

An active participant in college life, Nicole is a skilled debater, keen sportswoman (cross country, volleyball and swimming) and accomplished Avila Ambassador. Valued by her classmates for her gentle support and unassuming wit, Nicole has consistently strived for excellence and worked diligently to realise her dreams. Awarded the Avila College prize for VCE Specialist Mathematics earlier this year Nicole regularly demonstrated her enquiring mind in class and is an analytical problem solver who seeks to develop a deep understanding of any concepts. Nicole set herself clear and challenging goals and intends to study a Bachelor of Aviation, a career path for which she is eminently suited and to which, we are sure, she will make a valuable contribution.



## Javira Altmann 97.95

Chemistry, Physics, Specialist Mathematics, Mathematical Methods, Literature, Legal Studies

An energetic and accomplished student with a thirst for knowledge, Avila College Music Vice-Captain Javira has both entertained and inspired other students, especially those in younger year levels. A member of multiple musical ensembles including orchestra, concert band, brass ensemble, ukelele ensemble, senior ensemble, percussion ensemble and the string orchestra, Javira was recognised in

2017 as the deserving recipient of the Susan Puotoha Orchestra Award. Academically, Javira has always enjoyed grappling with new concepts and has been generous with sharing her expertise and ideas with others. Awarded the Avila College prize for Year 12 Physics and Mathematical Methods, Javira is planning to study a combined Law/Science degree.



## Devni Nagodavithana 97.6

English, Specialist Mathematics, Mathematical Methods, Algorithmics, Biology, Chemistry

A dedicated and involved student, Devni has performed with the Avila Orchestra, rock band, ukelele ensemble, in the solo soiree and worked backstage with stage crew. Passionate about social justice, Devni contributed to the Avila Environment and Reconciliation groups, and regularly participated in the Red Cross Doorknock. She is a skilled debater, keen

mathematician and the top performer in VCE Biology in 2016. Devni has sought to help others academically, both at Avila and working as a tutor in Mathematics outside of the College. Devni wishes to study in the field of medicine, where her intelligence and highly developed social conscience and empathy will be a valuable asset.



## Carley Do 97.5

English, Accounting, Chemistry, Specialist Mathematics, Mathematical Methods, Vietnamese, Further Mathematics

Carley has demonstrated an outstanding academic work ethic throughout her time at Avila. She has always sought to increase her understanding of complex concepts and strives for excellence in all aspects of her studies. In 2016, Carley was awarded the VCE Accounting Award and was recognised at the

2017 Presentation Evening for her Academic Excellence. Carley's quiet determination has served as a role model for other students, and she is always willing to help her peers or to discuss points of interest.



## Crystal Zhou 97.5

English, Chemistry, Literature, Mathematical Methods, Biology, Chinese Second Language

A hard working student and voracious learner, Crystal has excelled in her academic endeavours across the board and involved herself fully in the life of Avila College through her extra-curricular involvement, particularly in music. Crystal is known for developing comprehensive notes which she then shared with classmates and offering generous

academic assistance to many of her peers. Crystal was awarded Student of the Term for Term Three, in recognition not only of this generosity, but of her positive and encouraging presence in the Year 12 cohort. Crystal is planning to study in the area of Bio Medicine.



## Claire Esler 97.1

Chemistry, Literature, Indonesian Second Language, Mathematical Methods, Specialist Mathematics, Biology

An accomplished musician, Claire played lead guitar in many music groups at the College, and performed at many events with flair and skill. She has sought to achieve excellence in her studies and was awarded prizes in 2017 for both Indonesian Second Language and Chemistry. Claire is a deep thinker, whose analytical

approach enabled her to grasp fundamental ideas quickly, and she showed sophisticated contemplation of modern concepts and ideas. She demonstrated collegiality in the classroom and a compassionate, thoughtful manner with her peers.



## Georgia Pitt 96.85

Literature, Drama, French, Legal Studies, Further Mathematics, Religion and Society

Georgia served as College Drama Captain in 2017, working closely with younger students for whom she was a constant source of inspiration and support. A keen public speaker and debater, Georgia was the Debater of the Year and equal winner of the Year 12 Public Speaker of the Year award. Georgia is also a talented cellist, playing in the Avila Orchestra as well

as numerous ensembles and took to the stage in the Avila-Mazenod Mary Poppins production. Academically Georgia has been recognised for her achievements in VCE Religion and Society, Drama and Legal Studies. Georgia is generous with sharing her academic talents and assisting her peers and plans to study Primary Teaching.



## Zoe Evans 96.8

English, Geography, French, Mathematical Methods, Music Performance, Agricultural & Horticultural Studies

An accomplished public speaker and debater, Zoe has represented Avila in the Plain English Speaking competition and was awarded the 2017 Lions Public Speaker of the Year for the Monash Zone. Zoe has also been a dedicated member of the Avila Orchestra, playing two instruments, performing in choirs and ensembles, taking part in the Avila-

Mazenod musicals for the past three years and generously giving of her time and expertise to assist and encourage younger students. In August, she toured Shanghai with the Australian Youth Band and in 2016- received a Premier's Award for her achievement in VCE Agricultural and Horticultural Studies. Zoe is planning to study a combined Arts/Science degree.



## Nicola Maugeri 96.15

English, Biology, Chemistry, History Revolutions, Mathematical Methods, Visual Communication

Nicola has been a quiet achiever throughout her time at Avila, has always held herself to high standards and displayed an outstanding work ethic. Her strive for excellence is exemplified by her excellent problem solving skills and her enquiring nature which has compelled her to seek a deeper understanding of concepts and ideas. Nicola represented Avila this year in basketball and she competed in the ICAS Science competition.

A highly artistic student, Nicola achieved the top score for VCE Visual Communication and Design in 2016. In 2017, Nicola was recognised for her academic excellence at Presentation Evening. Nicola's time at Avila has been personified by her persistence and flair, and by her determined work ethic. Nicola plans to study Architecture.



## Emma Spencer 96.05

English, Chemistry, French, Global Politics, Mathematical Methods, Classical Studies

Avila College Fire Carrier Emma is a gifted communicator and public speaker who represented Victoria at the National Youth Constitutional Convention in March. Recipient of the Sir John Monash Award for Youth Leadership, Emma was also selected for the ADF Long Tan award for 2017 in recognition of her commitment to her studies, her leadership skills, her work for social justice

and her community mindedness. Leading the Avila Reconciliation Group, Emma has been a positive influence both in and out of the classroom. A true 'big picture' thinker who demonstrates a sophisticated grasp of ideas and concepts, Emma has shown herself to be a young woman of integrity and intelligence. Emma is planning to study a combined degree in Arts/Commerce.



# Congratulations to the following students who achieved the top study score for their subject in 2017

ACCOUNTING	Kara Mumford
AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL STUDIES	Katherine Johnson
ALGORITHMICS (HESS)	Sashenka Justin
BIOLOGY	Kiran Kottakkal
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	Cara Fischer
CHEMISTRY	Claire Esler
CLASSICAL STUDIES	Sophia Grubnic, Ellie McCloud
DANCE	Sarah Loughnan
DANCE VET	Sarah Braham
DRAMA	Paige Harris
PRODUCT DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY	Gabriella Tyszka
ENGLISH	Laura Savaglio
ENGLISH (EAL)	Abigayle Thomas
FOOD STUDIES	Jade Morgan
GEOGRAPHY	Zoe Evans, Jessica Hunt
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	Tanisha Rupesinghe
HISTORY REVOLUTIONS	Brooke Jamieson
LITERATURE	Chrystal Zhou
FRENCH	Natalie Ang
ITALIAN	Olivia Zagari
GREEK	Tyana Arhondis
POLISH	Emily Skrzyniarz
CHINESE SECOND LANGUAGE	Maggie Jiang
INDONESIAN SECOND LANGUAGE	Claire Esler
LEGAL STUDIES	Georgia Pitt, Letitia Anderson
FURTHER MATHEMATICS	Katrina Lieu
SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS	Nicole Ng
MATHEMATICAL METHODS	Nicole Ng
MUSIC PERFORMANCE	Eliza Giuliano
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Sheanna Hettiarachchi
PHYSICS	Javira Altmann
GLOBAL POLITICS	Emma Spencer, Olivia Thurston
PSYCHOLOGY	Claudia Carter
RELIGION AND SOCIETY	Sinead Coulter
VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN	Natalie Ang