Excellent results for the Year 12 HSC Class of 2015 were released on Wednesday 16 December, with ATARs advised the next day. The information below is current as at 18 December 2015.

Some of the early information is outlined below; this is still incomplete for the Year 12 Class of 2015. A comprehensive analysis will be available after the International Baccalaureate Diploma results are released on 4 January, 2016.

HSC Class of 2015

In the annual HSC Leagues tables, published by the Sydney Morning Herald, Monte achieved an overall state ranking of 43, placing it ahead of the majority of independent schools and many selective schools. The 2015 ranking represents a massive gain on the previous ranking. Published HSC leagues tables of course, do not include the results of the IB Diploma.

Senior students at Monte choose to undertake either the NSW Higher School Certificate or the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. In 2015, 154 out of 185 students successfully completed the HSC.

Top ATARs

The Universities do not release ATARs to schools and we do not yet have all information to hand. At this early stage, we can confirm that at least two students have achieved ATARs in excess of 99. Warm Congratulations to Eugenie Taylor and Grace Hartley on their outstanding 99+ ATARs. More than twenty other students achieved ATARs in excess of 95.

Top HSC Achievers

Each Year, the Board of Studies announces First Place in each course and the top achievers in HSC courses. Monte is thrilled to announce the following places:

Eugenie Taylor: First Place in Geography, ahead of more than 3,000 students across NSW.

Jessica Polley: 15th Place in Ancient History

Congratulations to Eugenie and Jessica and also to their teachers.

Eugenie Taylor (right) with teacher Vanessa Sefton.
Distinguished Achievers

Eight students from the Class of 2015 have been included in the Premier’s All-rounder Achievement List, for students who achieved 90% or more in 10 or more units. Those students are:

- Olivia Beck
- Madeleine Edwards
- Grace Hartley
- Madeleine O’Hehir
- Jessica Polley
- Johanna Spratt
- Mia Sturt
- Mia Wilcox

These girls were part of an impressive group of 84 students, (53% of the 2015 HSC cohort) who were included in the HSC Honour Roll published in the Sydney Morning Herald on 17 December, 2015. These students achieved a mark of at least 90 in an HSC course, i.e. Band 6 or the equivalent in Extension courses. The full Honour Roll is too extensive to include here, but the College congratulates each of these students.

Subject Achievements

Monte presented students for examinations in 35 courses in the 2015 HSC. Students achieved well above state average in the vast majority of these courses. This is testament to the extraordinary work ethic of the girls and their teachers.

In Design and Technology: Olivia Santopaolo was nominated for inclusion in SHAPE, which is an Exhibition of major projects from HSC Design and Technology, Industrial Technology and Textiles Design. The exhibition was traditionally called DesignTech. The exhibition will be at the Powerhouse Museum, opening in February next year. Olivia’s work was Environmental Social Statement Jewellery.

In Music: As a result of her HSC vocal performance, Annabel Schweikert was nominated for Encore, which is held annually at the Sydney Opera House and is a program of outstanding performances and compositions by students from the Higher School Certificate Music Examinations.

Finally, from the College Principal, Mrs Nicole Christensen to the Class of 2015

“Today we celebrate your individual successes and your ambition. A Monte education gives you more than HSC success; it also equips you for a life of significance and purpose. Some of you have already decided on careers in medicine, engineering, law, science, international studies, business, history and psychology. Whichever direction you decide, you will always have Monte’s core values of mercy, compassion, respect for others and social justice to guide you.”

The College looks forward to further news on academic achievements with the release of the IB Diploma results on 4 January 2016.

A further update will be released in early January. We congratulate the HSC Class of 2015 and look forward to lauding them and other students at our Laureate Assembly on Thursday 4 February 2016.