

Hi All,

Just thought I would give you a summary of the results for this year's seniors and just say thank you for all of your hard work in helping them achieve such great results both academically and also in every aspect of their schooling!!

### **2015 OP RESULTS - WITH 2014 / 2013 / 2012 RESULTS IN BRACKETS**

**3 OP 2's** - Congratulations to Eliza Plummer, Cameron Uys and Kyle Williams on their amazing achievements!!!

<b>OP</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2015 V 2014</b>
<b>1 – 5</b>	16.7%	20.8%	17%	17%	<b>-3.3%</b>
<b>6 – 10</b>	40.7%	52.0%	50%	38%	<b>-11.7%</b>
<b>11 – 15</b>	70.4%	85.4%	81%	82%	<b>-15.0%</b>
<b>16 - 20</b>	92.6%	100%	100%	100%	<b>-7.4%</b>
<b>21 - 22</b>	100%	0%	0%	0%	<b>+7.4</b>

For those of you who like actual numbers of students - see below FOR 2014 results:

### **2015 Actual Numbers (2014 in brackets)**

OP 1- 5: 9 (10)  
OP 6 - 10: 13 (15)  
OP 11 - 15: 16 (16)  
OP 16 - 20: 12 (7)  
OP 21 – 22: 4 (0)

So we have seen a decrease in most bands – although the % figures look high – when you actually look at the total numbers this is not as dramatic however. There are 4 students with an OP under 20 – but we will look at these separately later.

There is little change in the OP 1 – 5 band, other than the absence of an OP1.

Band OP 1 – 15 needs to be worked on next year to try and push up to over the 80% mark. Also we need to aim to have no students under an OP of 20 if possible – which may be as much a pathways issue as anything else.

### **VET QUALIFICATIONS**

Again some great news, showing improvement yet again!

<b>CERTIFICATE ACHIEVED</b>	<b>2015 (% / Number)</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>I</b>	99% (104)	94% (86)	97% (60)	75%
<b>II</b>	20.1% (22)	37% (34)	56% (35)	-
<b>III</b>	62.9% (66)	54% (50)	60% (37)	-
<b>IV</b>	50.5% (53)	42% (38)	61% (38)	35%
<b>DIPLOMA</b>	0.1% (3)	-	-	-

Again all but 1 student left the college with a VET qualification and 50% of students left the college with a Cert IV qualification – which is a fantastic achievement.

**Another first for the school is the fact that 3 students left the school with a Diploma in Business, with Gareth Geach gaining an award for excellence.**

I am confident these are the best VET results on the coast!!

The importance of VET qualifications is huge - with so many students achieving fantastic results - which open up both careers and further education opportunities for them and interestingly

- **67%** of students who gained an OP of 16 or lower had a Cert IV - which gives them the OP equivalent of a 12/13.
- **71%** of students who gained an OP OF 20 – 22 had a Cert IV and 86% had a Cert III or IV

**Well done to Gill / Amanda, Vince and All the VET teams for their efforts this year!!! (Also well done to Steve de Laurence for all of his efforts in establishing VET at the school!)**

### **QCE RESULTS**

Another great result with **99% of the cohort having left school with a QCE**, as opposed to 97% in 2014, 100% in 2013 and 99% in 2012.

### **QCE Credits**

What is more amazing is that a **new Unity record of 27 students (25%)** achieved **DOUBLE** the required amount of credits (20). (2014 – 9%, 2013 – 21%)

The top person was Marcus Connor who set **another new Unity record of 57 credits**. (2014 - Nicholas Davies - 46 credits, 2013 - Callum Abbott, 51 credits!)

### **INTERESTING POINTS**

Below are some results for a range of students that for one reason or another may have caught your attention this year

OP 2 – Eliza Plummer, Kyle Williams, Cameron Uys

OP 3 – Julia Holliday, Tim Irwin

OP 4 – Louis Mccotter, Michaela Duggan, Mario Wilsch

OP 5 – Kyle Milburn

- Marcus Connor - Cert IV Fitness / Diploma in Business and 57 credits in his QCE.
- Bonnie Brittle – 3 x Cert III Qualifications / Cert IV Fitness and 51 credits in her QCE. Both students have places at USC to study next year.

- Mario Wilsch, Shania Allen, Matt Rice, Matt Fitzgerald all offered places in ADF.
- Amelia Chaffer – School Captain, Basketball Captain, 3 Senior School Sports teams and an OP 7 – Offered early place for Physio at ACU.
- Laura Bellini – Cert III qualification / Trainee of the Year in Childcare and offered full-time position at Milford Lodge Childcare centre.

### **EXTRA SUCCESS**

Just a couple of points to also consider:

- It has not just been academic we have also had considerable success with Senior Sporting teams: **Senior Rugby Team, Girls and Boys Senior Basketball Team** and the **Senior Netball Team – all achieving great results this year.**
- **Kokoda 100km Challenge** – 3 teams completed the 100km event with the top teaming coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Schools Competition and 15<sup>th</sup> Overall. A number of other teams also completed the 48km Challenge.
- The senior students have also worked hard in all areas of school life including the Arts, the amazing Musical production of Popstars which featured so many of our Senior students and their outside charity work such as Rosies.
- This cohort of students also did away with the traditional “Muck up” day routine – which is another first and they also had an almost perfect attendance at all sporting carnivals.
- It seems that this group have strengthened the Unity ‘Community’ spirit and have really helped to develop some student pride in Unity College.

Finally **I just want to thank you ALL** for all of your hard work and support with this cohort - they really have proved to be a highly successful group of young men and women, all with great futures.

Have a great Christmas!!!!

Dave