



## 2019 Award Presentation Ceremony

The 2019 Award Presentation Ceremony is an event to congratulate our students for their outstanding academic achievements across all key learning areas and to recognise their talents in Creative and Performing Arts, Technical and Applied Sciences, Languages, Sport, Citizenship and extra –curricular pursuits.

Our School Captains, **Jake Carruthers, Lucy Swanson, Ryan Phillips and Tegan McKay** were Comperes for the evening held on Wednesday 11 December in our School Hall. Our Principal, Ms Ruth Winfield's address reflected on our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Personnel Best and how the attributes of persistence and resilience contribute to students achieving their personnel best in their future worlds. Ms Winfield congratulated award recipients for their outstanding achievements and contribution to Vincentia High School.

The evening included awards for high achieving students in Years 7 - 12 and a range of Special Awards donated and presented by our community partners and local businesses to recognise the exceptional commitment students made to their school and wider community during 2019. This year we introduced the Indigenous Cultural Contribution Award for an indigenous student who promotes their culture within school and community, congratulations to **Ryley Madden**. The Wollongong University Medal for Academic Excellence was awarded to **Ellie Wright-Pederson** for her excellence in the 2018 HSC. **Ellie** spoke about her year of decision making since leaving school and encouraged students to step out of their comfort zone to help discover the right options for themselves.

Throughout the evening there were several magnificent performances from **Destiny Pavitt, Jayden Williams, Dylan Wright, India Slaughter, Macie Wilson, Harry Axford and Galina Butler**. **Kiana Ashby** proudly delivered the Welcome to Country. Thank you to our dedicated award presentation committee for organising such a wonderful event. Guests enjoyed the evening and were impressed by the way awards were genuinely presented to students with pride and sincerity.

We wish all students and their families a happy and safe holiday season, thank you for attending our annual awards ceremony. We look forward to welcoming students back to school on 29 and 30 January to commence the 2020 academic year.







# Clontarf End of Year Awards

On Monday 9 December the Clontarf Academy held their inaugural awards night. Family and community attended to celebrate the Clontarf boys 2019 achievements. Forty five awards were presented for attendance, sporting achievements, team of year and good bloke awards. Year 12 student **Blake Elson** received the prestigious Eagle of The Year award, **Blake** demonstrates all of the Clontarf qualities and spirit and leads by example for our 90 younger Clontarf students to look up too. It was nice to see some of our Year 12 graduates return for the awards evening.

The School Hall was decorated with Clontarf photos and posters and looked sensational. The boys hosted a Corroboree at the end of the presentation to celebrate the night. Thank you to the Vincentia High School teachers and a special mention to the students' families and community groups for attending the celebration. A massive thank you to our Clontarf Mentors; Jermaine, Carl, Harley and Taylor for your fabulous contribution and support to the students at Vincentia High School.



# Google Classroom with Sanctuary Point Public School

On Thursday 5 December Mr Donohue was invited to the opening of the Sanctuary Point Public School dhugan-dha djama gudjaaga 'our camp for teaching children'. He has recently completed a google classroom with Sanctuary Point Kindergarten classes using a drawing they supplied of a dingo named Mirigaan and using our computer software and plasma cutter to convert the image and produce a steel cut out to be placed in their garden at school. The students were able to follow the process by watching videos that Mr Donohue uploaded to the google classroom. Working in STEM partnerships with local primary schools presents an opportunity to introduce these students to STEM subjects before they start high school. We are proud to be sharing knowledge and resources with our local primary schools and working with our future students.

As we move forward, we are constantly searching for new opportunities. Vincentia High School will continue to lead the way in STEM on the South Coast and our students will continue to grow in the use of technology to enhance their current learning and future readiness.





# Sydney Jewish Museum was beautiful, haunting and unforgettable

## A recount of the Year 11 History Excursion by Faith Andrews.

We started the morning of 26 November 2019 at 6.43am, and spent the next 3 hours on the train, sleeping and eating. When we arrived at Kings Cross Station, we made our way through the streets and headed to the Sydney Jewish Museum, where the staff were eagerly waiting to lead us to their education centre. There, we met Yvonne – a Holocaust survivor born in 1927 who was a teenager when the war broke out and was later imprisoned in Auschwitz. She spoke fondly of her golden childhood and her parents, who she was separated from when she arrived at Auschwitz and who she never saw again. We were astonished at her story and above all, her liveliness: she didn't fit the stereotype of a 92-year-old woman in the slightest, rather, she pushed away the offer of help to walk up the stairs and answered all our questions honestly and without hesitation. Yvonne



was born in Czechoslovakia, so we even enjoyed a moment when Miss Joura and Yvonne had a conversation in Czech. Yvonne showed us a photo of her wedding day and spoke of how she and her husband struggled to adjust to life in Australia after the war. Yvonne's story reminded us that what we've been studying was more than a PowerPoint or an exam, rather it was an event that affected real people, the effect of which is still felt today. We jumped at the chance to take a photo with Yvonne, an individual whose story made a lasting impact on all of us. **Sarah Blackman and Isaac Graham-Hickman** had the opportunity to talk to reporters about what it was like to have this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to talk to someone whose memories of the holocaust were so ripe and real – what can only be described as a tender moment for all involved.

After our time in the education centre, we were shown around the museum by Peter, whose parents were both Holocaust survivors. The museum itself was quite beautiful – standing on the ground floor looking up, the staircases formed the outline of the star of David; the sides of the railings decorated with the names of those who were killed in the holocaust. Each glowing white wall of the museum held small windows containing dozens of pieces of artefacts from the war, donated from survivors and the families of those survivors. It included everything from children's toys and handmade nightgowns to liturgical texts and Nuremburg law books. Peter told us how his family was forced to pretend they weren't Jewish, how they had to move to Hungary, get fake papers and attend Catholic church daily to keep up the façade. After the tour, we made our way to the museum exit and were greeted with the sight of sheets of rain slamming against the door frame of the museum, and now realised we had to find our way to lunch in the storm.

Stuck in what can only be described as a miniature monsoon, we pushed and sprinted through the rain to find sanctuary in Una's, a quaint German restaurant. We ordered schnitzels, sauerkraut, and pork knuckle while slowly drip drying, and we were able to make our way back to the museum in the new-found sun. The third part of the day allowed us to make our way through the museum unguided – and, left to our own devices, Miss Joura guided us to the Children's Memorial: possibly the most heartbreaking aspect of the museum. Immediately on entry to the black, silent and dark room, we were greeted by a quote printed on the wall – "For children everywhere in the hope they will live in a world of peace and love... in memory of the children who found neither." The Children's Memorial contained small snapshots of what life was like for those children, and stories of how some were massacred. We stared at the black and white photographs set to a wall of colour, and a small device on the wall allowed us to flick through and view the photos and names of some of the 1.5 million children murdered in the holocaust – many whose birth dates or place of death were unknown. Walking through the children's memorial, we found a small glass sculpture filled with water, as drops fell from the ceiling like tears – each drop representing a child who died as the result of the holocaust. The stone beneath the sculpture had been donated from Jerusalem – a symbol of rebirth for the Jewish people.

As the day ended and we headed back to the station, we were all in awe of what we had seen that day. Yvonne's story and the story of the owners of the artefacts throughout the museum would be forever indented in our brains. Next year it will be 75 years since Auschwitz was liberated – and still, the wounds of the holocaust and the war are still felt in full today. Our small snapshot of the experience of the Jewish people was an experience that would be wrong to under appreciate, and it is an experience that, as the generation who experience the holocaust fade away, many of us will never receive again. The Sydney Jewish Museum was beautiful, haunting, and unforgettable.

# ‘Designer Monsters’ link preschoolers with our textile students

Mrs Carrie Mac and her Year 10 & 11 Textiles class had an amazing experience this year being able to work with the children from Pelican Point Preschool to help them become mini designers. On the first visit in September our students were paired with a preschool child, encouraging and supporting them to draw and/or colour their very own friendly monster. There are some very talented pre-schoolers as they were able to design some very unique and creative drawings of monsters!

The textile students were then tasked with the very complicated job of using their amazing skills to turn these drawings into a very cuddly monster for the children. The second visit to present the children with their very own ‘designer’ monster was a hit for all involved, with happy smiling students from both of the schools. Thank you to Mrs Mac and Pelican Point Preschool for organising this incredible opportunity for all involved, it was a very rewarding learning experience for our textile students and the pre-schoolers loved it.



# Vincentia High School

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### January 2020

|           |               |                  |
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| Monday    | 20th. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
| Tuesday   | 21st. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
| Wednesday | 22nd. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
| Thursday  | 23rd. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
| Friday    | 24th. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
| Monday    | 27th. January | CLOSED           |
| Tuesday   | 28th. January | 9:00AM - 1:30PM  |
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| Thursday  | 30th. January | 7:45AM - 10:30AM |

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# Celebrating our school spirit!



The values of Vincentia High School are:

## Respect, Responsibility & Personal Best

This weeks recipients are:

For their excellent performance in Showcase 2019

**Destiny Pavitt, Jayden Williams, Dylan Wright, India Slaughter, Macie Wilson, Harry Axford, Galina Butler and Kiana Ashby**

These values can be shown in many ways within the school community.

It is these actions of our students we, as a school, are proud of and wish to acknowledge.

Each week during the Wellbeing period students from any year, will receive a FREE movie ticket to the Huskisson Cinema as recognition of their Vincentia High School spirit.

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## Term 4, 2019

**Wednesday 18/12/2019**

☞ Last Day Term 4 for all students

**Friday 20/12/2019**

☞ Last Day Term 4

**Tuesday 28/01/2020**

☞ First Day term 1 Staff Development Day, Staff Only (No Students)

**Wednesday 29/01/2020**

☞ First Day Term 1 Yrs 7, 11, 12

**Thursday 30/01/2020**

☞ All Staff and students attend

**All of our Vincentia  
High School Staff  
would like to wish  
everyone a very  
Merry Christmas  
and a Safe and  
Happy 2020**



## **SCHOOL CONTACTS 2020**

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| R Winfield         | Principal   |
| R Gilbert          | Deputy Principal                                  |
|                    | Instructional Leader                              |
| S Flanigan         | Deputy Principal<br>(Years 8, 9 & 11 )            |
| K Newton           | Deputy Principal<br>Years (7, 10 & 12)            |
| S Clark            | Deputy Principal<br>Support & Special<br>Programs |
| T Johnson-Warnecke | School Administration<br>Manager                  |
| M McNeil           | Careers Advisor/VET                               |
| P Greyling         | Head Teacher Wellbing                             |
| M Swanson          | Head Teacher Admin-<br>Teachers                   |
| G Brindley         | Head Teacher Admin-<br>Students                   |
| J Holloway Fry     | Head Teacher English<br>(Rel)                     |
| R. Henderson       | Head Teacher<br>Mathematics (Rel)                 |
| C Gates            | Head Teacher Science                              |
| T Langford         | Head Teacher CAPA (Rel)                           |
| E Salah            | Head Teacher HSIE                                 |
| A. Newton          | Head Teacher TAS                                  |
| P Raftery          | Head Teacher PDHPE                                |
| M Amor             | Head Teacher Sport                                |
| M Goerlach         | Head Teacher Support<br>(Rel)                     |
| T Mason            | Head Teacher Gumbari (Rel)                        |
| T Smith            | Head Teacher LASP                                 |
| K Lane             | Head Teacher Ganya<br>Garindja                    |
| C Burnett          | School Counsellor                                 |
| K Rees             | School Counsellor                                 |
| G Brown            | Aboriginal Education<br>Officer Ganya Garindja    |
| C McIntyre         | SRC Coordinator                                   |