

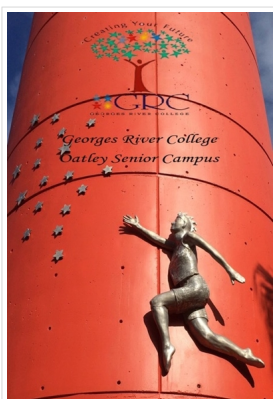


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## Principal's Message



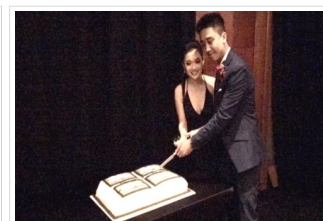
### Farewell Year 12

I would like to thank Year 12, for their service to the school, their goodwill and their humour. This is a special group of students who have a great deal of potential. More than that, they have endeared themselves to the GRC Oatley family – as a group they are thoughtful, considerate, creative and energetic.

The completion of Year 12 marks an important milestone for Year 12. Some have triumphed over particularly difficult personal challenges to reach this point. Their life will be very different from now on – now is a time for them to take a few moments to reflect on the things they have done to this point, and celebrate the great things that they have accomplished. Not all year groups are described by their teachers as witty, articulate, compassionate, motivated and intelligent. These words were used because, through their actions, they have demonstrated these qualities. Whether it be as part of the Creative and Performing Arts, the Industrial Arts, technology or computing sphere, linguistic ambassadors, authors, researchers, budding titration experts, the sporting arena or the magnificent service given by the leadership team. Collectively

they have built the school spirit which makes it such a pleasure to be a part of GRC Oatley Senior Campus.

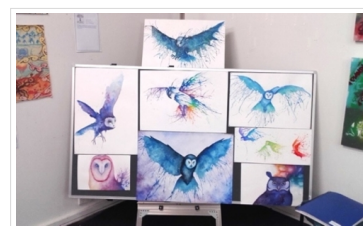
They are truly a credit to both their parents and the school.



## Year 12 Major Works

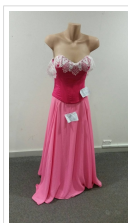
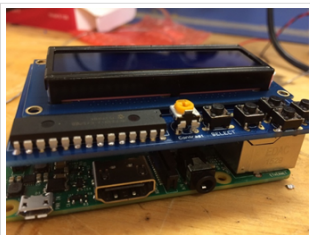
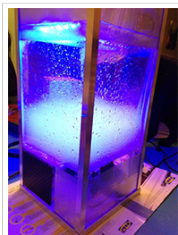
### Visual Arts Exhibition

Our HSC major works were on display for parents, students and teachers. We saw bumper crowds enjoy the spectacular displays. There is no better way to feel uplifted than to see work that has been done with conviction, effort and love. Congratulations to both Ms Zauss and Ms Sedgers for their hard work and guidance throughout the year.



### Industrial Technology Timber, Industrial Technology Electronics and Design and Technology

Congratulations to Mr Kontikos, Mr Lawton and Mr Polyzoidis who worked tirelessly to support our students in submitting their major works on time. This is not always an easy task. It is always wonderful to see how proud students are of their final products.

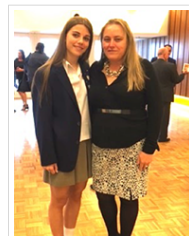


## 2016 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards

It was with immense pride and excitement that students, family members, teachers, Aboriginal Education staff and special guests entered The Great Hall of the University of Technology on Friday 9th September to celebrate the successes of students at the 2016 Deadly Kids Doing Well Awards.

A big congratulations goes to Tully Brown (Year 12) who was awarded a Deadly Kids Doing Well Award. The awards are a highlight of the Public Schools NSW Aboriginal Education calendar each year. They celebrate the academic achievements, leadership skills and attendance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in NSW public schools.

As well as congratulating the students for their hard work, the Department of Education's Executive Director, Mr Murat Dizdar, acknowledged the support students received from their families, community Elders, teachers and Department of Education support staff.



## National Titration Competition.

What a wonderful achievement! Aaron Hau (Year 12) was announced winner of the Miklouho-Maclay prize for the top individual result in State Titration Chemistry Competition NSW. He received a perfect score.

The National Titration competition is a 3 hour competition in which the same team of three from the State competition perform more difficult acid-base titrations.

Congratulations Aaron.

## VET Excellence Awards

The VET Excellence Awards Breakfast is a showcase for our very best and brightest students. The nominated student must meet the following criteria:-

1. Consistently worked at a high level in all class activities.
2. Completed all assessment tasks to a high standard
3. Always displayed a positive attitude and an interest in the VET subject
4. Successfully completed their mandatory work placements arranged by SSBEN and received good feedback from the host employer.

Congratulations to Christian Spyrou from GRC Oatley who was recognised for his excellence, commitment and passion in VET Hospitality Kitchen Operations. A big thank you to his teacher, Ms Mulligan who has worked tirelessly and goes above and beyond to ensure her students meet competencies and work placement hours.



## Congratulations to our administrative and support staff

Last term was SASS recognition week. We are fortunate to be supported by 17 wonderful administrative and support staff who do everything from managing finances, enrolments, rolls and attendance, answering phones to help teachers, parents and visitors, supporting students with learning difficulties, tending to the gardens and maintenance, managing building projects, assisting in Science labs, the kitchen and the library.... and the list goes on. We simply could not function without them.

In honour of their work, a morning tea was held to celebrate with, and thank, this terrific group of people.

## Uniform

GRC Oatley Senior Campus is a uniform school. The school uniform creates an identity for our school and is an important part of being a school student.

It is essential that all students are in correct school uniform every day and wear the uniform correctly during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

Our school uniform reflects school community standards and expectations. It was developed in consultation with and agreed upon by the school community. It is based on a strong student and parent voice.

Please support us in ensuring that your child arrives to school in full school uniform. The school uniform requires all students to be in black leather shoes and white socks.

GRC Oatley Senior Campus is focused on developing students who are not only academically successful but who are thoughtful citizens who contribute to their local community in a positive manner. I look forward to working with you this year to achieve our goal.

**Anna Girginis**  
**Principal**

## Wear It Purple Day 2016

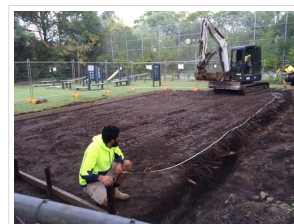
GRC Oatley is a safe space for students of all backgrounds, regardless of culture, religion, or sexuality. On the 26th August,

GRC Oatley celebrated Wear it Purple Day. This day encourages acceptance of 'rainbow' students. Many students and staff wore an item of purple clothing and made a donation to the Wear it Purple organisation. We raised \$560. Well done everyone for supporting a worthy cause!

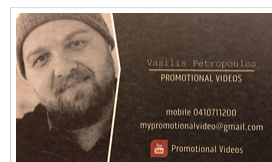
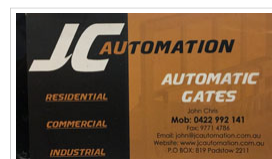


## NEW VET CONSTRUCTION WORKSHOP/ CLASSROOM – by Mr.Polyzoidis

A very special thank you to the year 12 construction students who have been involved in the design, planning and construction of the new workshop. The students have been involved from the initial stage of the project. The idea is for students studying construction to experience a real life simulation of a construction site. The main involvement the students had was in the fabrication of floating walls which would protect the interior insulation and the exterior colour bond facade. Furthermore, the timber cladded interior would act as a insulator against the cold and as a wall where shelving and signage could be attached. Words cannot describe the mammoth effort they undertook. I wish all my students the best of luck in their future endeavours. The work they have done for their school is a testament to their efforts. Well Done and all the best to the Year 12 VET CONSTRUCTION cohort of 2015/ 2016.



A special thank you to the following businesses for helping GRC Oatley Senior Campus.



## FROM THE EDITOR

Without the continued help of my colleagues and students the Newsletter would not be what it is today.

I would also like to wish the current year 12 students all the best in their HSC Examinations and in their future.

***Mr. Polyzoidis***