



Her Best

Walford



# From the Principal



Since 1893, Walford Anglican School for Girls has aimed to equip each girl with an education that will prepare her for a future she can only imagine. We remain deeply committed to providing broad based, liberal learning experiences that are grounded in rigor and evidence-based practice helping girls develop confidence in their abilities as they enter a world filled with change, challenge and opportunity.

We are proud of the Class of 2019 and all that they have achieved during their school years. Whilst results alone are

not the definitive measure of the whole school experience, we recognise that the culture of learning and aspiration we have at Walford is the result of each student working hard to achieve her personal best. As our graduates leave School, we know that they are well placed to forge their place in the world and to follow, with courage and confidence, the pathways they choose.

**Rebecca Clarke**  
PRINCIPAL,  
Walford Anglican School for Girls

## Outstanding Results

**90.00** was the median ATAR for the class

**20**  
percent

of students achieved an **ATAR 95+**

**40**  
percent

of students achieved an **ATAR 90+**

**80**  
percent

of students achieved an **ATAR 85+**

Results

## Consistent Excellence



Excellence

## Walford Words

“ We have had a wonderful Walford journey. It has been filled with memorable experiences while watching our daughters grow and develop amongst a supportive and caring environment. We feel grateful that Walford has encouraged our girls to learn, explore and achieve their best while demonstrating genuine interest and guidance. ”

**Walford Parent**

“ Boarding at Walford has helped me to become a stronger and more independent person. I love the opportunity to establish lasting friendships. ”

**Walford Student**

“ We are enormously grateful for the impact the Walford culture is having on our daughter. It is everything we had hoped for as her parents, and more. Thank you for the care and nurturing of our daughter. ”

**Walford Parent**

“ I chose Walford because learning is valued here. ”

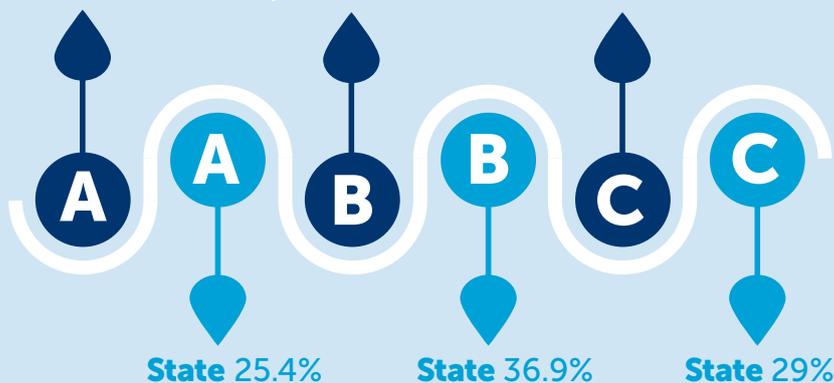
**Walford Student**

“ I like the small size and close connectedness of the school. I have been academically stretched and thank the teachers for their willingness to go into more depth. ”

**Walford Student**

## 2019 SACE Results: Walford vs. State Average

Total **A** Grades : Total **B** Grades : Total **C** Grades  
**Walford 47.0%** : **Walford 38%** : **Walford 14.2%**



SACE Results

# Celebrating Her Best

The 2019 Year 12 Graduates were welcomed back to Walford for a special celebratory assembly. The SACE Dux, Tess Rutherford (ATAR 99.7) and the IB Diploma Dux, Chantal Leonhardt ATAR (96.45) were presented with their award by Mr John Butler, a former staff member and Director of Studies at Walford.

The graduates were formally welcomed into the Old Scholars' Association and received a membership certificate and Walford Old Scholars' Badge.



**Photo Left:** 2019 Walford Graduates were welcomed by the Old Scholars' Association President, Elizabeth Porter.

**Photo Right - Left to Right:** SACE Dux, Tess Rutherford, Parize Donor, Mr John Butler,

## Governor of South Australia Commendation

Just 28 students in South Australia received a Governor of South Australia Commendation Award and Walford is very proud that Mackenzie Francis-Brown is among them.

The award is a combination of academic excellence and the difference they have made to their communities. Mackenzie has been an outstanding role model throughout her schooling at Walford from 2005 to 2019. She fundraised annually for Cancer Council SA, raising over \$12,000 through its Biggest Morning Tea program and was made a Cancer Council Youth Ambassador.

As School Vice Captain, she led a six-week campaign to raise awareness and resources for Kickstart for Kids. Mackenzie is also a keen rower and was selected for the South Australian Women's Pathway Rowing Team.



**Photo Above:** Mackenzie Francis-Brown (Centre) with some of the Walford Merit recipients at Government House

## SACE Art Show Exhibitors

**Isabel Mason**

St Flamenco  
Sunscreen Branding



**Matilda Padbury**

Kenko Poke  
Bowl Branding



# Top of the Class



## Best Teacher in Australia

**Walford Mathematics teacher, Deb Woodard-Knight, was distinguished in 2019 with the award for Best Secondary Mathematics Teacher in Australia, presented by the Australian Mathematical Science Institute.**

At a ceremony in Melbourne, Deb was presented with the Award which recognises "an exemplary and innovative teacher who has been instrumental in encouraging students to continue with their study of Mathematics."

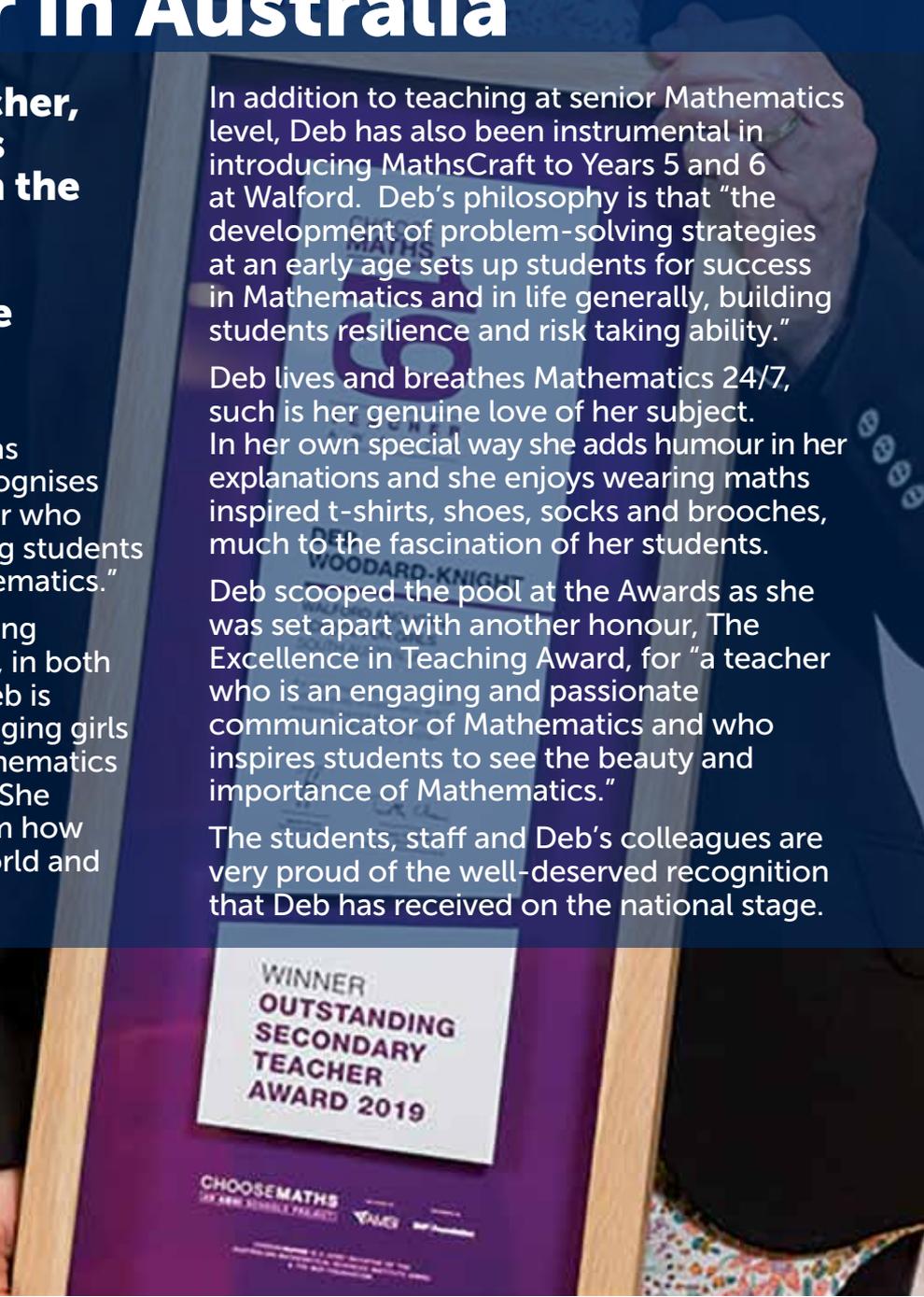
Deb is now in her third year of teaching predominantly girls in Year 11 and 12, in both SACE and IB courses, at Walford. Deb is absolutely passionate about encouraging girls to continue to pursue Specialist Mathematics at school and beyond to university. She inspires her students and shows them how Mathematics is related to the real world and to future careers in STEM.

In addition to teaching at senior Mathematics level, Deb has also been instrumental in introducing MathsCraft to Years 5 and 6 at Walford. Deb's philosophy is that "the development of problem-solving strategies at an early age sets up students for success in Mathematics and in life generally, building students resilience and risk taking ability."

Deb lives and breathes Mathematics 24/7, such is her genuine love of her subject. In her own special way she adds humour in her explanations and she enjoys wearing maths inspired t-shirts, shoes, socks and brooches, much to the fascination of her students.

Deb scooped the pool at the Awards as she was set apart with another honour, The Excellence in Teaching Award, for "a teacher who is an engaging and passionate communicator of Mathematics and who inspires students to see the beauty and importance of Mathematics."

The students, staff and Deb's colleagues are very proud of the well-deserved recognition that Deb has received on the national stage.



  
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