

# Masada College

# HSC Achievements 2022



# Message from the College Principal Mira Hasofer

Mazal Tov to our Masada College graduating class of 2022. Their results and achievements in the 2022 Higher School Certificate have been outstanding and we praise their achievements. Our students have emerged as confident, capable young men and women, ready to step out into the world that awaits them.

Our results affirm, yet again, Masada College's place as an outstanding Jewish Independent School, leading in its ability to help students from all backgrounds and competencies achieve academic results that we can all celebrate.

The breadth of high achievements across all HSC subjects, confirm that when dedication and hard work meet, outstanding results are achieved. Mathematics, Sciences, Modern Hebrew, Chinese and Literature, Food Technology and Hospitality have been the stand-out subjects in HSC achievement.

Congratulations to Christy Li our Dux, who achieved an ATAR of 99.90. Mazal Tov to our All-Rounder Achievers, Christy Li, Grace Guo and Daniel Slobedman who achieved a Band 6 in ten or more of their units. We praise our Distinguished Achievers List, where 53% of our students achieved a Band 6 in at least one of their subjects.

We are equally proud of all our students who have achieved their personal best and have given it their all. You have given us tremendous nachat.

Mazal Tov to our graduates. With thanks to Hashem (G-d) we are delighted that Masada College has moved up 29 places in the 2022 HSC NSW (SMH) School rankings to 39th in the state.

To our talented teachers and administrative staff who have worked tirelessly to support our graduating class of 2022 - your care and nurture for our students has shaped them and will be longremembered.

To our graduating class of 2022, we could not be prouder of the young men and women that you have become. You have left Masada College with heads held high, filled with strength and anticipation for all that is to come.

May Hashem bless you, direct your steps, guide you in peace and cause you to reach your destination in life with joy and peace.

Tsetchem Leshalom - go in peace.



# A Message from the Campus Rabbi Rabbi Paul Lewin

The Torah makes an interesting statement about Abraham our father. The text reads that Abraham was old and he came with his days. (Genesis24:1) The context of the text is that Abraham was now an old man. However, the Torah uses the strange expression that he came with his days. The sages explain that Abraham was able to account for every day of his life. What he had achieved. What he had learnt. He could account for each day and the new ideas that he had acquired in that day.

Year 12, as you leave the College and start your life journey, my blessing to you is that you should account for your days. Let no day pass without having gained something from it. Personally, I ask myself three questions before I retire for the night.

- 1. What new fact did I learn about the world today?
- 2. What new fact did I learn about my heritage?
- 3. Did I do something that brought a smile to someone?

If I can answer these three questions, then my day was well spent. This does not mean that I can't do more. But this is my minimum standard.

Learning and growing as a person does not end because you finished your schooling. Life is a journey of being. Enjoy the ride. May G-d's blessings always be upon you.

### Rabbi Lewin.



# Masada Academic Performance Highlights



**43%** of students achieved ATAR of > 90







# Masada Higher School Certificate Overview

### **HSC ATARS**

16% of students achieved an ATAR greater than 98

29% of students achieved an ATAR greater than 95

43% of students achieved an ATAR of greater than 90

### **TOP ACHIEVERS**

Achieved one of the highest places in an HSC course and also received a result in the highest band.

Shemontee Sen – 9th in Food Technology

### ACCELERATED SUCCESS

Jonathan Hillel (Year 11, 2022) Band 6 in Modern Hebrew Continuers

Tessie Krebs (Year 11, 2022) Band 6 in Modern Hebrew Continuers

Liam Mirkin (Year 11, 2022) Band 6 in Modern Hebrew Continuers

### 2022 NSW SCHOOL RANKING

Ranked 39th in NSW (SMH)

### **ALL-ROUND ACHIEVERS**

Congratulations to the following students that achieved 90 or higher, Band 6 or Band E4, in at least 10 units of study.

Christy Li (ATAR 99.90)

Grace Guo (ATAR 99.65)

Daniel Slobedman (ATAR 98.90)









HSC DUX - Christy Li ATAR 99.90 Congratulations to Christy Li who is the 2022 Masada College Dux, achieving an ATAR of 99.9. Christy joined Masada in Year 9 and believes the small class sizes at Masada allow teachers to focus on the needs of individual students, as well as allow the whole cohort to connect closely and this has been a successful formula for her HSC results. *"I want to thank my Year Patron, all the teachers and staff at Masada for their passion, dedication and support throughout my education and thank my Year 12 cohort for being such an amazing grade,"* said Christy. Christy plans to study neuroscience and statistics at university next year.

# Distinguished Achievers Students who achieved a result in the highest band possible in one or more courses.

### 53% of Masada College students were on the Distinguished Achievers List

Daniel Glover	Mathematics Advanced
Grace Guo	Biology, Chemistry, Economics, English EAL/D. Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2
Frank Hao	Mathematics Advanced
Michael He	Chemistry, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics
Jonathan Hillel	Modern Hebrew Continuers (Year 11 Accelerant)
Owen Huang	Hospitality
Jacky Huang	Chemistry, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics
Jerry Jin	Economics, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics
Tessie Krebs	Modern Hebrew Continuers (Year 11 Accelerant)
Christy Li	Biology, Economics, English EAL/D, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Physics
Annabelle Liu	Mathematics Advanced
Martin Liu	Chemistry, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Mathematics Advanced
Liam Mirkin	Modern Hebrew Continuers (Year 11 Accelerant)
Roni Oron	Biology, English Advanced, Mathematics Advanced, Visual Arts
Shemontee Sen	Business Studies, Englished Advanced, Food Technology
Daniel Slobedman	English Advanced, Geography, Legal Studies, Modern History, History Extension, Society and Culture
Colin Su	Mathematics Advanced, Chinese and Literature
Jacky Tan	Mathematics Advanced, Chinese in Context
Tang Taylor	Mathematics Extension 1
Aviv Tchelet	Modern Hebrew Continuers
Jemma Walker	Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Physics
Kevin Wang	Chinese in Context
Christina Xu	Chinese and Literature
Jason Xue	Chinese and Literature, Mathematics Advanced

# Excellence in HSC Student Achievement in Top Two Bands with a mark of 80% or higher

Course	Masada College % Bands 5-6	NSW Schools % Bands 5-6	Masada College First in Course
Biology	60%	27%	Christy Li
<b>Business Studies</b>	67%	35%	Shemontee Sen
Chemistry	64%	33%	Jemma Walker
Chinese and Literature	100%	70%	Colin Su, Jason Xue
Design and Technology	0%	48%	Arthur Chen
Economics	50%	49%	Christy Li
English Advanced	81%	67%	Roni Oron, Daniel Slobedman
English Standard	0%	15%	Talya Costa, Jasper Obsorn
English EAL/D	53%	19%	Christy Li
English Extension 1	100%	92%	Daniel Slobedman
English Extension 2	100%	85%	Benjamin Bukofzer
Food Technology	80%	30%	Shemontee Sen
Geography	45%	42%	Daniel Slobedman
History Extension	100%	84%	Daniel Slobedman
Hospitality	100%	28%	Owen Huang
Mathematics Advanced	69%	49%	Jemma Walker
Mathematics Standard 2	44%	29%	Aaron Cohen
Mathematics Extension 1	88%	73%	Christy Li
Mathematics Extension 2	90%	85%	Michael He
Modern History	44%	34%	Daniel Slobedman
Modern Hebrew Continuers	100%	94%	Jonathan Hillel (Year 11 Accelerant), Aviv Tchelet
Music 1	67%	69%	Benjamin Bukofzer
Physics	92%	41%	Michael He, Jacky Huang, Christy Li
Science Extension	100%	79%	Aaron Cohen
Society and Culture	75%	43%	Daniel Slobedman
Visual Arts	100%	66%	Roni Oron

External			
Chinese in Context	100%	89%	Jacky Tan
Legal Studies	100%	41%	Daniel Slobedman

# Year 12 2022 – Academic Prize List

Academic and Sports Prizes	Recipient
Senior Athletics Age Champion	Madeleine Xiang
The Masada Prize for Chinese & Literature	Colin Su
The Friends of the Hebrew University Prize for Modern Hebrew	Aviv Tchelet
The Masada Prize for Mathematics Extension 2	Michael He
The Masada Prize for English Extension 2	Benjamin Bukofzer
The Masada Prize for Music 1	
The Ilana Krausz Memorial Prize for English Standard The Masada Prize for Hospitality	Ruby Milner
The Masada Prize for Mathematics Standard	Aaron Cohen
The Masada Prize for Science Extension	
The Masada Prize for Business Studies The Sonia Karabelnik Memorial Prize for Food Technology	Shemontee Sen
The Masada Prize for Geography The Ralph and Judy Davis Prize for Modern History The Michaelis Prize for History Extension The Masada Prize for Society & Culture 1st in Course for Legal Studies with Sydney Distance Education	Daniel Slobedman
The Israel Joseph Fisher Prize for English Advanced The Ernest Desiatnik Memorial Prize for English Extension 1 The Fred Joseph Memorial Prize for Mathematics Advanced The Eddie Michalowsky Memorial Prize for Visual Art	Roni Oron
The Masada Prize for Academic Achievement	Jacky Huang
The Hon Sir Asher and Lady Joel Prizes for Chemistry The Michael Faktor Prize for Mathematics Extension 1 The Peter Nixon Prize for Physics The Masada Prize for Academic Achievement	Jemma Walker
The Masada Prize for Academic Achievement Half Colours for Academic Achievement	Martin Liu
The Masada Prize for EAL/D The Masada Prize for Academic Achievement	Grace Guo
The Hon Sir Asher and Lady Joel Prize for Biology The Stan and Zelda Marks Prize for Economics	Christy Li

The Masada Prize for Academic Achievement and Dux of Year 12

# Year 12 Special Prize List 2022

Special Prizes	Recipient
The NSW Jewish Board of Deputies Dux Prize for the Best HSC Result in 2021	Kevin Lin
The Etta and Michael Sperber Shield for Sportsmanship	Judd Sherman
The Ernest Lowbeer & John Moser Memorial Prize for the Most Valuable Contribution to Music in the Senior School	Jemma Walker
The Hilary Waksman and Jan O'Brien Memorial Prize for Consistent Effort, Determination and Hard Work	Benjamin Browne
The Reuben F Scarf Prize for Commitment	Grace Guo
The Manor Shield for the Quiet Achiever	Martin Liu
The P&F Prize for the Most Improved Student	Taylor Tang
The Bob Shteinman Menschlichkeit Award for the Student who Demonstrates Fellowship, Caring and Kindness	Eden Wang
The David Selinger Memorial Trophy	Samala Siu
The Michael Faktor Trophy for Leadership Qualities and Jewish Commitment	Daniel Slobedman
The Chipkin Prize for Independence of Thought and Intellectual Curiosity	Jasper Osborn
The Citizenship Shield donated by The Groden Family	Roni Oron & Daniel Slobedman
AMPOL Best All Rounder Award	Shir Goodwin
The Australian Defence Force Future Innovators Award	Jemma Walker
The Australian Defence Force Long Tan Award for Leadership and Teamwork	Shemontee Sen