

Thank you, Toni, good evening, students, Parents, Colleagues & Honourable Guests!

Welcome to our annual presentation. This year we have more than a hundred & 70 high achievers receiving awards... Congratulations to all of you!

Winning top score in the ATAR; scholarships and/or the Gifted and Talented Exam is a remarkable achievement that you should be justifiably proud. This achievement is a wonderful return for your parent's investment and your efforts; it also proves that you have the potential to thrive.

Although, it's just the beginning of many more challenges to overcome for ongoing successes.

Tonight, I would like to pose some questions to you and share my thoughts on them.

First: What drives you to achieve excellence in your further studies?

Second: What's the most important thing you can do to realize your goals?

Lastly: How can you secure a desired career for a contributing & rewarding life?  
To address my first question, what drive you to obtain excellent results?

Obviously, there are many fundamental factors such as personal health, favourable living conditions & environment that can affect your overall performance; nevertheless, some other crucial criteria such as high intelligence, Self-discipline & determination & hard work will directly influence your opportunity to obtain top marks in all your exams.

Intelligence is something inherent, that we can hardly organize to gain superiority over. Self-discipline and determination are mainly cultivated and nurtured by parents, families & friends, to a certain extent it depends on your upbringing and that is in general difficult to change.

So, apparently, hard work is the only factor that, if you wish, you can manage and control.

As you know, nowadays, enormous information is available on the internet, you can easily find stories of individuals from all walks of life, either healthy or handicapped, who talk about how they strive to survive and advance, despite of many obstacles in life. They developed to embrace some exceptional skills & techniques through pure determination and consistent practices.

There is a Chinese saying: “台上一分鐘, 台下十年功” that means “People need 10

years of practice for a successful 1-minute talent-show on stage”.

It's necessary to set goals in your life. It's necessary to work towards those goals, to develop yourself to the best of your ability and strive towards your success. Achievers grasp every single opportunity to improve, so as to reach perfect results.

No matter where you start from, no matter how bright you are, if you want to be outstanding, you need to work hard. However, work hard is not merely rote repetition; you need to do something smart. An exam is not testing what you can simply remember, but it assesses how you apply what you have digested and mastered. Most of the students can only memorize information and instructions, in contrast, top performers can also analyse and evaluate, they can develop arguments; they can give what the examiners want to observe from the exams.

North Shore Coaching College receives many thank you letters and compliments every year. Parents and tutors always say that “North Shore coaching programs are magnificent”. In fact, majority of our new students are introduced by our highly satisfied students, parents, and tutors. For this, please accept my sincere gratitude to all of you for your trust and support.

Here I won't forget to extend my thankfulness to all our Tutors and Staffs at North Shore for their dedication & devotion in inspiring our students to achieve their highest potential. To show our gratitude to all our educators and your accomplishment today please join me to put your hands together.

Now, it gives me great pleasure to point out that the most essential reason that brings us many joyful & memorable gatherings like today is because, 32 years ago, an intelligent family meticulously created our fantastic coaching system, and continue to work diligently in enhancing our tuition programs. They are the Founders and Directors of our College,.. the Mak's family. Our National Managing Director Mr Anson Mak have travelled from Sydney especially, to be with us tonight, on behalf of thousands of grateful parents and successful students from North Shore, we welcome you again to Perth, And I would like to ask everybody to please rise and give a round of applause to appreciate their invaluable contributions. Thank you! Please be seated.

It brings me to my last question tonight; how to ensure a contributing & rewarding life? A simple and effective way to make our lives more meaningful is to acquire a university degree; become an expert in a recognized profession, such as an Engineer, a Scientist, a Doctor, a Lawyer, an Artist, or Educator etc. then you can contribute to the community by passing on your knowledge, expertise & skills, provide sound advices to improve the lives of others. As a result, high satisfaction and self-esteem

will make your life more exciting & enjoyable.

Dear students, as you may be aware, human diligence & intelligence have always been improving & advancing; robots and automation are being used to replace human beings for most work opportunities. As a new generation in this race between human intelligence and artificial intelligence, it will be challenging for you to secure a desired career post-university graduation.

So, to gain competitive advantages, you will need to obtain more comprehensive knowledge.... especially in Engineering and Scientific studies, build up an ingenious mindset and be more creative while keeping up with contemporary technologies.

Till now, with your excellent academic foundation and the wholehearted support from parents, I have full confidence that you'll continue making every effort to achieve your goals and bring more happiness to our society and the world.

Without further ado, I would like to invite our Managing Director to say a few words, please welcome Mr. Anson Mak. Thank you.