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Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture is recognised as one of music's grand orchestral works, requiring skilled musicians to perform it well. What a treat it was for the College to hear this piece performed with great accomplishment by our own orchestra at Presentation Night in 2011. The Overture was played on an evening that had begun with a performance of our award winning Jekyll and Hyde Rock Eisteddfod item by students from Years 9 to 12.

During the course of Presentation Night, we heard of the wonderful accomplishments of our sporting and debating teams as well; 2011 being our strongest year to date.

At the end of the year, Sharlene Prasad, one of our graduates from the Class of 2011, was awarded the Young Citizen of the Year for the Brimbank area. Sharlene was a hard working student throughout her time at the College and heavily involved in the community service area.

Clearly, 2011 was a year of great achievements in the co-curricular and leadership arenas; these accomplishments highlighting the ever expanding and strengthening nature of this aspect of an Overnewton education.

The co-curricular program is excellent and continues to support the development of the whole Overnewton child. However, our academic programs continue to go from strength to strength as well.

With NAPLAN outcomes at or above the state and like schools in all categories, as well as consistently high VCE results, an Overnewton education is one that provides the opportunities for students to experience depth as well as excellence in a variety of fields.

Our Dux for 2011 was Michael Weston with an ATAR of 98.20

Additionally, we had two students selected to perform in the Top Arts showcase: Holly McNamara in Dance and Rhiannon Brooks in Drama.

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Overnewton students, their teachers, support staff and their families are members of a truly wonderful community of people. There are important and exciting bonds between each member of the community that make this a truly great College of learning in its many facets.

Jim Laussen, Principal

