



The Scots College
Sydney Australia

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New state-of-the-art Centre to inspire students to greatness in the Maths and Sciences

Scots Old Boy Professor Graeme Clark AC – inventor of the bionic ear and founder of The Bionic Ear Institute – will be honoured at the opening of The Scots College's new Graeme Clark Centre for Innovation in the Sciences on 27 March 2009. The Centre will be officially opened by the Governor of New South Wales, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC CVO.

The Centre is designed to inspire students to strive for excellence in the Maths and Sciences with world class facilities and tributes to heroes of the Maths and Sciences showcased on its walls, including Rhodes Scholars (Scots Old Boys) and great Mathematicians of times past.

“Professor Clark epitomises all of the qualities that we hope our Scots boys will aspire to,” The Scots College Principal, Dr Ian PM Lambert said. “The Scots College has a long tradition of Old Boys serving and leading the community as Scientists, and we trust that their example will encourage many of our students.”

The Centre’s interior design is based on the elements of earth, fire, water and air with tessellated patterns on the floors, designed to encourage students to monitor the environment around them.

The Centre’s facilities include: electronic weather monitoring systems with wind generator and solar arrays; Davis network weather station; the John Solomon Sports Club; wireless networks; laboratories; and a theatre equipped with facilities for video conferencing with national and international experts.

“With today’s rapid rate of technological development, it’s imperative we prepare students as best we can to enter a world that cannot yet be fully imagined,” Dr Lambert said.

“The capacity to adapt, to think through different contexts, to solve problems using different strategies and to see challenge and difficulty as an exciting opportunity are important skills for our boys to acquire and develop. The Centre’s teaching and learning environments and programs are designed to be conducive to this and inspire the learning of boys and achievement of goals of excellence and sustainable futures.”

“This state-of-the art facility is designed to promote in the hearts and minds of our students a love and appreciation of the Sciences so that they may continue to make a key contribution to Australia’s future,” Dr Lambert said.

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Graeme Clark Centre for Innovation in the Sciences OPENING CEREMONY

27 March 2009 from 3.30pm

The Scots College, Victoria Rd, Bellevue Hill, Sydney

For more information, pic opps, ceremony program and brochure –

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