



THE PERELBERG AWARD



The Perelberg Award is presented for “exemplary Scotch Spirit”. It is awarded to *either a current or former Scotch Collegian annually*. The Perelberg Award honours the memory of Ashley Perelberg, a member of the Class of 1992 who died suddenly during his first year of university studies.

Ashley’s family created a perpetual memorial and presented this magnificent silver trophy that depicts the penguin parade at Phillip Island, inspired by Ashley’s devotion to the annual Scotch-at-Cowes summer camps.

This trophy is normally displayed in the Keon Cohen Dining Hall, for our students to see every day. The winner each year receives a splendid silver replica.

Ashley Perelberg had a full and enthusiastic life at Scotch and exemplified the “Scotch Spirit” in every way. This award very much captures the essence of what we refer to as this “Scotch spirit”, championing progress, inspired by our past, and advancing learning that appreciates beauty, pursues goodness and discerns truth.

The criteria for selecting recipients are now less rigid. Previously, the award alternated annually between current and former students. However, there is now greater flexibility, allowing it to be granted to a recipient from either group based on merit. This change ensures that only truly deserving individuals receive the honour, regardless of their current student status.

Perelberg Award criteria include:

- Striving for personal excellence while recognising and serving the needs of others.
- Applying high personal standards.
- Showing compassion for those who may not be able to reach those same standards.

The Perelberg Award is presented each year at the Year 12 Presentation Evening held in Memorial in October.

Nominations for the Perelberg Award should be emailed to the OSCA Executive Director at:
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