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“In the early years, because high school was significantly smaller, we used to take the difficult kids from other schools, and most of them, if not all of them, ended up with very good outcomes because they came here. They weren’t stigmatised, they weren’t set apart, they weren’t discriminated against. There were no judgements if they bleached their hair, for example. The other kids just said, ‘It’s okay! It’s that mind over matter, and ultimately they were better people and their results were miles ahead.”

Dharma Murugiah, head of commercial services & school parent

“We’re sending out in to the world young men and women who are really ready to go there. I’m not 100 per cent sure that a lot of other schools’ kids are as prepared. My feeling from talking to a lot of our kids who are at university – and I see a lot of them who come back – is that they’re much better prepared to be in that world than some of the other people they’re meeting. We produce kids who have a very positive outlook and hopefully we’re putting out kids who will make a positive difference to the world.”

Paul Galea, director of student activities, teacher & school parent

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Jane Woolley, mother of Harvey (class of 2012) & William Green, student

“Kids that have done some good stuff in the past. They have done community service and work well with other people. They are multicultural and accepting of others.”

Jamie Madon, student

“Responsible people who are multitalented, with skills they can use to be a success.”

Eli Montana, student

“IGS kids are different to a lot of other kids because they are already prepared to embrace the diversity of the real world. They meet the world head on and are less shocked by it because they have not been protected from many of the challenges school leavers generally face. But one thing is for sure, they will miss their school.”

Megan Dean-Jones, mother of Isabel Muscatello, class of 2012

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