

VIETNAM VETERANS DAY 2017

On Friday August 18, Monivae College Hamilton was represented at a memorial service to commemorate the sacrifices and courage of Australian troops who fought in Vietnam, with a focus on the Battle of Long Tan.

Nearly 60,000 Australian men and women served in the Vietnam War between 1962 and 1975, including 521 who lost their lives and more than 3000 who were wounded.

The service also marked the 51st anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan. One hundred and five Australians and three New Zealanders fought at Long Tan - one of the war's fiercest battles. Seventeen Australians were killed in action and twenty-five were wounded, one of whom later died of his wounds.

Cpl Erin Munro and Sgt Louis Beaton laid a wreath at the service on behalf of College Principal, Mr McGinnity and the College. Weather conditions were bleak to say the least and these two cadets stood to attention without seemingly a worry for the twenty minute service. Bravo to them!

Capt(AAC) Terry Molan, OIC, Monivae Cadet Unit



Above: Erin Munro and Louis Beaton