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Zombies off to the nationals

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DRESSED like zombies straight out of Michael Jackson's *Thriller*, these St Ignatius students' performance was anything but a nightmare.

In fact, the college's senior theatrical dance team took top spot at the Schoolaerobics state finals held at Norwood Town Hall last month.

As a part of their performance, the group told the story of a young girl whose nightmares come to life and she must fight her way back into reality.

Aerobics co-captain Tayla Carosi says it was exciting to see the team's hard work pay off.

"It was a definitely a goal for us and the success at the state championships was overwhelming," she says.

As a result of their first place, the group has qualified for the national championships which will be held on the Gold Coast on August 6-7. They will be joined by four other teams from the college who qualified for the event through strong per-



St Ignatius College students Bella McGrath, Tayla Carosi, Piper Homer and Lauren Sullivan (back), and Chelsea Murray, Michaela Puntillo and Giulia-Giorgina Condocluci.

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formances at the state finals. St Ignatius College aerobics teacher Gabby Puntillo says the teams are looking forward

to taking their talents to the national stage. "Most of the girls have participated in this event before

so they know what they are looking forward to," she says. "We are really confident

that they will do themselves proud and stand up to the competition at the national level."