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2nd May 2014

## Principal's Message

Welcome back to school for Term 2 2014

Can I say from the start congratulations and thanks to our parents and carers for ensuring that our students are well presented to our community? I'd also like to remind parents and carers that the temperature has certainly dropped and jumpers and blazers will soon be the order of the day?

As Principal my focus is, and always will be, on student learning. On my first day 12 months ago, I reminded students about the school vision of pursuing excellence and proceeded to highlight their achievements from last year. I remind all of us to ensure that throughout the year that we are "Ready To Learn". Thank you for your hard work in getting your children ready to learn and work.

This readiness has resulted in 88.7% A-C achievement standard for last three terms and the year 12's from last year being our most successful students to date with outcomes of 97%.

Our teachers have been busy preparing for term 2 learning. The Australian Curriculum implementation is well advanced at AHS in the core areas of English, Maths, Science and History. Our students will be well supported with the Australian Curriculum with teaching staff doing extensive research and planning on how best to teach. Evidence based teaching strategies such as setting learning goals are part of our Pedagogical Framework based on work achieved by the Marzano Institute.

Head of Departments and the Administration team have been and will be attending professional development on ASOT and the Fleming model (the Art and Science of Teaching and the John Fleming Model on coaching and supporting classroom teachers). Supporting this will lead to the setting of academic targets for each student in each of their subjects.

I encourage you to speak to your child about their targets. It is really important for all young people to have a clear sense of what they are trying to achieve each day in every classroom. Teachers will also discuss specific strategies students need to apply to their studies to improve results.

## NAPLAN

We will soon be entering the NAPLAN testing period in two weeks' time and our year 9's with their teachers are busily preparing for the three day testing event in May. Year 9 students have been allocated a NAPLAN homework booklet for practice. To all our parents and carers please feel free to spend time working through the booklet with your student and see the types of problem that the students have to solve.

## ANZAC Ceremony

Can I thank the following staff and students - Mrs Miles and Mrs Doucet for their wonderful musical guidance in supporting our school band in their performance at the school Anzac ceremony; Mr Clarke and our senior school leaders for the organising and delivery of the ceremony; our school chaplain Matt Govan for his spiritual guidance during the ceremony and finally special thanks to Joshua Steinke for performing the 'last post'





## Junior Secondary

Last week Mr Clarke, Mrs Forbes and I attended a two day Junior Secondary School conference. From the conference we were able to establish that our preparation for year 7's in 2015 is well underway and on track. Our current year 8's are trialling our junior secondary curriculum plan and welfare plan and are rising to the challenges and being successful. We have a strong Administration team, Heads of Departments and Welfare Leaders responsible for the leadership of our school in curriculum and welfare who are focused on delivery and outcomes. Below:

**DPs: Mrs Forbes, Mrs Smith, HODs: Mrs Dunn, Mr Buckner, Mr McGrath, Mr Clarke, Mrs Milinovich, Year Level Coordinators: Mrs Gough 8, Mrs Kitson 9, Ms Coman 10, Mr Wright 11, Mrs Taylor 12 and Guidance Officer: Mrs MacFarlane**

**Your Partner in Education**

**David Munn**

**Principal**

## Deputy's Desk

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### ENROLMENTS 2015

Aviation High has now begun our Enrolment Interview process. We would like to invite those that have previously submitted an Expression of Interest for enrolment in 2015 or those that wish to send their son/daughter to Aviation High School in 2015 to make an Enrolment Interview appointment.

Please contact the Enrolments Officer – Vicky Jenvey on 07 3637 0111 or by email

[admin@aviationhigh.com.au](mailto:admin@aviationhigh.com.au)

'Expression of Interest' forms for enrolment at Aviation High in 2015 are available on our website.

### OPEN MORNING – YEAR 7 AND 8 STUDENTS 2015

We invite all parents and caregivers to attend our information open morning. There will be school tours of our fabulous facilities and an information sharing session about our exciting plans for year 7 and 8 in 2015.

**Thursday 22 May**

**Multi Media Room**

**9.00am - 10.00am**

### SET PLANNING INFORMATION EVENING

The Senior Education and Training Planning is compulsory for all year 10 students. Information about the process and what parents and students will need to do, will be shared about this important stage in your student's school life.

**School Library**

**Tuesday 6th May**

**6.00pm – 7.00 pm**

### UNIFORM

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support of our uniform policy. Our students look fabulous in their uniforms. A reminder that the school blazer is compulsory for term 2 and 3 of the school year. The Blazers are available from our Uniform shop.

**Sue Smith**            **Deputy Principal**        **(Year 9, 10 and 12)**  
**Mandy Forbes**       **Deputy Principal**        **(Year 8 and 11)**

## NAPLAN Testing

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Along with all Australian schools, Aviation High School will be administering the NAPLAN tests this month. Students have been prepared for this point-in-time testing by their teachers over their school lives. Aviation High School values the skills tested, literacy and numeracy, as these are the foundations for all learning. Teachers have been focussing on allowing students to feel comfortable and well prepared for these tests by teaching test strategies and assisting students to fill the gaps in their knowledge and understanding. All tests will be in the school hall, supervised by school teachers and Administration.

The timetable for these tests is below.

Tuesday 13 May: Language Conventions (45 minutes) and Writing (40 minutes)

Wednesday 14 May: Reading (65 minutes)

Thursday 15 May Numeracy (calculator – 40 minutes) and Numeracy (non-calculator – 40 minutes)

If you have any queries about this testing, please contact me at the school.

**Susan Smith**  
**Deputy Principal**

## Welfare

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### Year 10

Term 3 provides the opportunity for our Yr 10 Welfare Sessions to focus on goal setting for careers.

Our School Guidance Officer Mrs McFarlane will be working with students and Welfare teachers to assist them in creating a SET Plan.

An information evening for parents will be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May to ensure parents are informed on the process for subject selection in Term 3 for Year 11 2015.

Information has been sent home this week.

Year 10 Welfare Session Goals this week focus on the importance of a well-functioning group that values and accepts individual differences; everyone has something worthwhile to contribute; expect it and respect it. Relationships are the cornerstone of groups, which includes nurturing in students a tolerance, appreciation and respect of others. Also to raise their awareness, the point should be made that they have two ears and one mouth and as such should listen twice as much as they talk.



When a group is assembled it is essential that it contains a diversity of personalities and talents. There is nothing worse than having a group of similar thinking clones. It is important for all members have a clear understanding of the need to value every member's input, be curious and experimental, yet task orientated. Effective groups enhance the quality of relationships, investigations and discussions considerably through collaborative "peer learning" and "peer esteem".

*"Individual commitment to a group effort – that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilisation work."* Vince Lombardi

**Ms Coman**

**Year 10 Welfare Coordinator**

**Year 12**

Due to the appointment of Mr Riordan as Acting Head of Department at Earnshaw State College it is with great pleasure that I introduce myself as the new Year 12 Welfare Leader. I have had a long association with the current Year 12 cohort teaching many of them ICT in Year 8 and following their progress closely throughout their time here at Aviation High. This term is vital to the academic success of your child and I plan on doing everything I possibly can to assist them achieve their goals. If you have any questions or queries at any time please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards

**Mrs Robyn Taylor**

**Year 12 Welfare Leader**

**Schools ANZAC Day Ceremony**

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On Wednesday the 23rd of April I had the privilege of attending the Schools Anzac Day Ceremony in Anzac Square with the school vice-captains Laura and James. I was so pleased to see Aviation High represented with such reverence and dignity as a wreath was laid by these school leaders. Our students continue to impress and make us proud.

**Robyn Taylor**

**Year 12 Welfare Leader**



## WW1 Battlefields Tour Western Front 5-16 April 2014

Aviation High students participated in our Inaugural WW1 Battlefields Tour of the Western Front to France and Belgium on the school holidays from 5-16<sup>th</sup> April. The students travelled to Singapore then Paris where we began our journey with Mat McLachlan Battlefield Tours historian Peter Smith and driver Stan Pocervina. We travelled to the 2nd Division Memorial, the trenches of Mont St Quentin, Ypres (Ieper) and the Cloth Hall and "in Flanders Field Museum". We then toured the Menin Gate and the lists of names from Australia's 60 divisions that were lost with no known grave.

Our school Captain Tiffany and School Leader Bradley participated in the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate with a crowd of over a thousand people - a highlight of the tour. The Museum at Passchendaele was the start of our "Life on the Front" experience where we proceeded to be kitted out in replica WW1 uniforms of the 40th Battalion AIF including helmets, .303 rifles, gas masks and webbing. Then we enjoyed - yes it was delicious - bully beef stew. Then we marched the 5km trek to Tyne Cot Cemetery, the largest Commonwealth War Graves Commission cemetery in the world. We attempted grenade throwing, leapfrogging, running to kneel and aim our rifles en route, using gas marks and learning of the tragic battles during the course of our experience of life on the Western Front as a WW1 Anzac soldier.

We visited Battle Division Memorials, Commonwealth War Graves Cemeteries and significant sites where we walked in the footsteps of the Anzacs. Fromelles, Pozieres, Bullecourt, Polygon Wood, Villers-Bretonneux, Le Hamel and Mont St Quentin. The experience enhanced the understanding of the loss, sacrifice, mateship and courage as well as the conditions our soldiers fought under on the Western Front. We finished our tour in Paris visiting Versailles Palace, the Eiffel Tower, Napoléon's Tomb, L'Armee Museum, Louvre Museum and then walked up the Champs Elysee to the Arc de Triomphe. We also experienced local cuisine, language and culture.

The group were complimented on their exemplary behaviour and enthusiasm for seeking knowledge about our Diggers and the importance of the next four years as we commemorate the Centennial of

WW1 1914-1918. Thank you to all participants: students - Ashleigh B, Ben C, Eathan C, Joel G, Brad K, Tiffany H, Mikayla S and Hayden Y, staff – Mr Clark and Mrs Krause and parent Mr Malcolm Wright who had the opportunity to undertake this unique experience to learn more about Australian military history.

Our Second WW1 Battlefields Tour will be 26<sup>th</sup> March to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

Further information will be available in May this year. 2016 marks the Centennial of the Battles of Fromelles and Pozieres so tour bookings are necessary as soon as possible.

*"History is who we are!"*

**Ms L Coman**

**Tour Coordinator/Teacher**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view Western Front Battlefields Tour slideshow

## Library

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### Brisbane City Council Library Services for High School Students

Brisbane City Council Libraries have developed 'ibrary' especially for high school students so that they can get quick and easy access to resources and databases. Students can access the services on the internet at [www.ibrary.com.au](http://www.ibrary.com.au) . Through the website students can search the BCC Library catalogue to find books, CDs and DVDs that they can borrow from their local BCC library if they are members. Databases can also be accessed on-line by Brisbane City Council members. Check out the 'A to Z List' of available databases on the website (e.g. World Book On-line, Britannica On-Line, Australian Bureau of Statistics, Access Science, Oxford Art, Oxford Music and Opposing Viewpoints Resource Centre). Joining the BCC library service is free for anyone who lives, works or studies in Brisbane. Students can join at any Brisbane City Council library and then use their card on-line or at a BCC library. A parent will need to go to the library to sign up with a student who is under 18. Even if students have not yet managed to join the BCC library, they can still sign up to use 'ibrary' at [www.ibrary.com.au](http://www.ibrary.com.au)

**Ms Wilkinson**

**Librarian**

## From the Guidance Officer

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### Accounting/Commerce Cadetships



Several organisations offer cadetships for students interested in accounting, commerce and information technology. Cadetships usually involve work and study, so you can be earning an income and gaining practical experience while you complete your university course. Year 12 students interested in cadetships in 2015 should start looking for them early in the year.

For more information about cadetships, visit the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia website at <http://www.charteredaccountants.com.au/Students/Whats-on/Event-listing/National-event-info/Cadetships.aspx> . The 'Chartered Accountants Employment Guide 2014' can be downloaded from this site.

You could also investigate the cadetship/trainee programs offered by organisations such as:

- Pricewaterhouse Coopers <http://www.pwc.com.au/>
- KPMG <http://www.kpmg.com>
- Ernst and Young <http://www.ey.com/au>.

Other useful strategies to find cadetships include doing an Internet search for cadetships and traineeships and regularly looking at Career One in the Courier Mail on Saturdays.

### Defence Jobs website

This site at <http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/> is your first port of call for initial information about jobs with the Australian Army, Navy and Air Force

### Business or Commerce degree - What's the difference?

Institutions can differ in what they call their business/commerce degrees. For example, the Queensland University of Technology includes all of its business/commerce specialisations/majors in its B Business. Griffith University and the University of Queensland offer both B Business/B Business Management and B Commerce with different specialisations/majors in each degree. When researching business/commerce degrees, it is important to identify the specialisations or majors offered as this may determine the types of jobs you can apply for immediately after you graduate.

According to the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA), 'business' focuses on how individual organisations operate, while 'commerce' focuses more on the wider commercial and economic environment. You can explore this topic further on the ICAA website at <http://www.charteredaccountants.com.au/Students/News-and-updates/High-school/Business-or-commerce-degree.aspx>

### News from QUT

Year 10 Subject Selection event for Science, Health, Engineering and Mathematics Careers

This event is to help Year 10 students wishing to study science, health, engineering or mathematics degrees in the future to choose their senior subjects. It will be held from 5.30 pm on Tuesday 24 June 2014 at the Kelvin Grove campus. See <http://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/do-you-advise-school-students/news-and-events/news?news-id=69015> for details.

## USA sports scholarships

Many universities and colleges in the USA offer sports scholarships to students from other countries. To be considered for these scholarships you have to be able to demonstrate your sporting and academic potential. The process involved in researching available scholarships and applying for them is quite complex. There are several organisations that offer a service to help you through the process. CB Sports Network is one of these organisations.

CB Sports has had over a decade of experience helping young Australians gain sports scholarships in the USA. During this time it has established regular contact with head coaches in a wide range of sports across the US. Visit the website at <http://www.cbsports.com.au/>

Further enquiries can be made to Chris Bates on telephone 3263 1266 or email [chris@cbsports.com.au](mailto:chris@cbsports.com.au).

## Want to be an engineer? Find out more

The Engineers Australia 'Make it so' website at <http://makeitso.org.au/> provides information on different types of engineering. You can read case studies of actual engineers and see some of the projects they have worked on.

## QTAC and TERTIARY ENTRY


### Year 12 post school folder

Year 12 students are strongly advised to start a folder of information they will need later in the year and early next year. Keep this folder in your room at home and add to it during the year. Items that could be placed in this folder include:

- LUI and password for your Learning Account to access your Year 12 results early
- Tax File Number (TFN), which you will need to apply for HECS-HELP if you enrol in a uni or college course next year. You also need a TFN if you want to be paid for a full time or part time job (talk to your guidance counsellor/officer about obtaining a TFN through your school)
- The QTAC Guide, which you will receive in June
- Course, job and tertiary entry information you gather at career markets/expos, university open days, TSXPO, etc
- The list of courses you are considering (students will have an appointment with the Guidance Officer in term 3)

- Handouts on tertiary entry that you are given
- Information about available scholarships and tips for applying
- Additional qualifications you might wish to submit as part of your QTAC application
- Any other information related to your plans for 2015.

ball



The Principal Mr David Munn cordially invites

*Past Students, P&C, Parents and Staff*

To attend the Inaugural

*Aviation High Alumni*

*Black Tie Anniversary Ball*

To celebrate the 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the launch of Aviation High

**Date:** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2014

**Venue:** The Ballroom- Riverside Function Centre  
50 Oxlade Drive, New Farm

**Time:** 6:30- 11:00 pm

**Cost:** \$125.00 per person (no persons under 18 permitted)

- \* Chefs Selection of Hors d'oeuvres
- \* One free champagne on arrival
- \* Three course meal (Set menu)

**Dress:** Black Tie/Formal/Evening

**\* Tickets are limited – full payment required at time of purchase.**

*Beverages available to purchase at bar prices  
Presentation from 2007-2013 School Leaders  
Dance Floor, Door Prizes and DJ*

**Payments:** Ring Linda in school office on 36370111 or pay in person at C Block School Office.

**Contact:** Louise Coman: [lcoma2@eg.edu.au](mailto:lcoma2@eg.edu.au) to request table placement- table seats ten people)

## Diary Dates

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QUT Extreme Science & Engineering (Yr 11 Chemistry)	Monday 5 May
Junior Interschool Sport Metro Finals 1	Tuesday 6 May
Year 10 Parent Information Night - 6pm to 7pm	Tuesday 6 May
Senior Interschool Sport Metro Finals 1	Wednesday 7 May
BCT Dreamworld Excursion	Friday 9 May
NAPLAN Testing	13,14,15 May
Cabin Crew Excursion	Wednesday 14 May
RACI Competition	Saturday 17 May
District Cross Country	Monday 19 May
Year 7 and 8 2015 Open Morning - 9am to 10am	Thursday 22 May
Careers Expo - Convention Centre	Friday 23 May

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