

Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term Three 2013. I hope the winter break was enjoyable for all.

We have some changes to staff and roles at the school for term three which I would like to share with you.

Mrs Mandy Forbes and Mrs Sue Smith will continue in their Acting Deputy Principal roles for the rest of the school year and I thank them their support.

Mrs Kathy Bermingham will be leaving to start a new position within Behaviour Support Services and we welcome Mrs Alison McFarlane for the rest of the year. Alison's skills in the areas of student support will be invaluable to us. I thank Kathy on behalf of the school community for the remarkable job she has accomplished.

Mr Craig McGrath will be Acting HOD Maths/Science and Engineering for term 3 in replacement of Mr Tony Wright who is on family leave in the UK.

Mrs Brenda Milinovich will continue to act as English and Social Science HOD for the rest of the year and I thank her for the wonderful job she is doing.

I should also like to thank our senior school students who will continue to run tutoring for years 8/9 on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. To support our senior students our teachers are going to run tutoring on Monday and Wednesday afternoon for years 10-12. Thank you to our heads of dept. and staff for the support of Aviation High.

Sometimes in our busy schedules we forget to say thank you to staff members who make a difference, maybe not in our teaching classes but certainly to the whole school feel in regards to our surroundings Greg Roberts our maintenance officer has, himself, installed all the windows in our science block and Chris Madden our groundsman has certainly been keeping on top of the maintenance of the school grounds. On behalf the school community we thank you both for your efforts.

Our Business Service Manager Joanne Bliesner has taken a new position at another school. We wish Joanne all the best and welcome Donna Schmidt as

our acting BSM and Nick Johnston who is our new Admin officer.

We have 3 new teaching staff members to welcome, James O'Connor, Amy Diesel and Matthew O'Reagan and we look forward to working hard with them over the coming term.

We have an extremely busy six months ahead with the following agenda that I have outlined to staff:

- Explicit Teaching Implementation Plan with the lead teacher being Mrs Forbes
- Welfare/Behaviour Support Review of our systems and processes with the lead teacher being Mrs Smith

New Sports Hall Flooring

No doubt you have heard that we are installing a new floor in the hall. This is a wonderful addition to our school and will be opened for school use by the middle of August

School Parking

Parents are reminded that driving into the school to drop off their child is not acceptable practice. Parents are welcome to drive into the school and pick up students who are sick or they need to speak to teachers. My primary concerns are for the student's safety that on entering the school they have to avoid cars driving in and out. We have a drop off zone and it needs to be used. Teachers will be required to use the main car park when completed. Teachers have also been reminded that when the car park is opened that they will cease from parking in the areas between the library and E block. I reiterate that our concerns are student safety.

Goal Setting

On Monday 16 July 2013, our students had an extended form class meeting to focus on their educational goals for this term. Students have been asked to reflect back on what they have done well in their different subjects and what they need to do to improve this term. Parents/guardians could support the school with this process by discussing with their students what their educational goals are and what they intend to do to improve their results.

Aviation High Open Day

Please mark in your calendar Saturday 24 August 2013. This will be the date for our annual Open Day which will run from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Also on this day we will be celebrating 50 years of education on this site. At a time to be announced Aviation High will put her time capsule in the ground and I sincerely hope that we are all around in the next 50 years where we will be celebrating 100 years of education.

My thanks for your continual support of Aviation High to ensure our students are READY TO LEARN with the correct equipment for classes and wearing the uniform with pride. Finally can I welcome Mrs Regina Garrick who is from Bracken Ridge SHS who will be acting in my position for two weeks from 29 July -13 August while I am on leave. I hope you enjoy this fortnight's edition of the Aviator's Gazette.

Your Partner in Education
David Munn - Principal

DEPUTY'S DESK

Aviation High has made a wonderful start to semester two and all classes are settled into their academic pursuits. Semester two is a particularly exciting one for me as I am leading a Welfare Review of the school. I have a team of year coordinators and staff representatives together to consider this very important aspect of our school's day-to-day life.

This new Welfare Program will be implemented in 2014 and will be supported by a weekly Welfare lesson for each year level within the school.

Operational Matters

Beginning Week 4, students who have unapproved late arrival at school will do a half hour detention the following day. Parents will be informed by email.

Reminder: Students are expected to wear the uniform jumper.

Sue Smith
A/Deputy Principal

JAISON LEE – YR 12

Hello Parents, Teachers and Students, I hope you have all had a great holiday relaxing from what has been a very busy semester of school; for both the seniors, having both Exam Blocks and QCS Practice and the junior school keeping up with assignments and exams.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you that I have successfully achieved my first solo flight in a powered aircraft and I can now ultimately fly solo in both gliders and a fixed wing aircraft. This training was completed through the Australian Air Force Cadets at Amberley in the first week of the holidays.

Right afterwards, I attended a week of Work Experience at Virgin Australia in Network Operations.

This was a great opportunity to develop an understanding of the true function of an airline and how an aircraft is actually approved to take-off and land from Point A to B. There is more to it than having pilots, cabin crew and engineers to get an aircraft off the ground. In this program I had visited each department within the building that consists of Domestic/International Crew Control, Cabin Crew Operations Support, Load Control, Flight Dispatch, Maintenance Watch, Meteorology, Guest Re-Accommodation and lastly Operations Control.

The system is really complicated as it is a continuous jigsaw puzzle for each controller/dispatcher to organize flights and their pax/crew on board each flight and make sure they all flow smoothly whilst competing against other airlines. It is like an auction for slot times to get in or out of an airport just outside the closing curfews whilst adapting and overcoming situations of crew or passengers absent from their flights or some significant weather event affects the flights.

I would personally like to thank Mr. Buckner for helping me get in contact with Virgin Australia and also my host Tara Rowe for producing such a program and kindly giving up her time for me to experience this along with the workers I spoke to.

Trying to reach seemingly impossible deadlines for assessment, I must admit, both my motivation and faith in my capabilities have allowed me to achieve these great accomplishments in the last two weeks.

No matter what happens, no matter how far you seem to be away from where you want to be, never stop believing that you will somehow make it. Having an unrelenting belief that things will work out, that the long road has a purpose, that the things that you desire may not happen today, but they will happen. Persist and persevere, your desired path remains possible.



Jaison Lee
School Leader

STUDENT EXCHANGE

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DIARY DATES

JULY

Fri 19 Snr Geography to UQ

Fri 26 School Athletics Carnival

Mon 29 AN Chem Quiz

AUGUST

Thu 1 Australian Math Competition

Mon 5 District Athletics (1/2 day at Wavell)

Tue 6 District Athletics (full day at UQ)

Mon 12 Yr 11 2014 Information Evening

Wed 14 Public Holiday – Exhibition Day

Thu 15 Yr 8 2014 Information Evening

Mon 19 Yr 10 Immunisation 1.30pm

Sat 24 Open Day & 50th Celebrations

Wed 28-Thu 29 Regional Athletics

SEPTEMBER

Tue 3-Wed 4 QCS Test

Mon 16 – Fri 20 Yr 10 Work Experience

Fri 20 Final Day of Term

Seeking contributions to the Aviation High P&C Annual Monster Raffle.

Can your business donate a product or service?



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GREAT TEACHERS = GREAT RESULTS

Every parent wants the best for their child — and a great future starts with a great education.

That's why the Queensland Government is working to make our state's education system even better.

Great teachers = Great results is an action plan which features two key goals:

- to lift standards of teaching, and
- give schools more flexibility to get on with the job.

We are investing \$537 million over five years, on top of almost \$6 billion per annum that is already being spent on Queensland education.

What are the changes for teachers?

We know what a great teacher looks like - they're the ones your child raves about, or those we remember from our own days at school. But we want to measure what skills, knowledge and experience add up to a job well done and reward them for it.

Great teachers = Great results will not only define what makes a great teacher, but help create more of them by:

- supporting teachers with mentoring, training and resources
- rewarding outstanding performers with career opportunities, scholarships and bonuses
- allowing each school to have more say in how they are run
- fast-tracking the careers of high performing teachers
- creating new Master Teacher positions to ensure quality teachers are working where they are needed most.

What is changing in schools?

We want young Queenslanders to do well no matter where they live or go to school. Because every school is different, the best place to make decisions that suit local communities is at schools themselves.

Great teachers = Great results recognises that school principals are at the heart of our education system. We want our schools — and those who run them — to be:

- flexible — principals will be able to make decisions that best suit their local communities
 - autonomous — all schools will be able to become independent over time
 - accountable — principals and senior staff will work on fixed-term contracts and be eligible for bonuses
- We will also support their wealth of educational experience with leadership and management qualifications

We will be focusing on boosting outcomes in the early years and keeping our schools safe, supportive and focused by strengthening discipline, and streamlining processes for suspensions and exclusions.

What does it mean for my child?

With more than 1700 schools across Queensland, we know that one size doesn't fit all. That's why the 15 actions in *Great teachers = Great results* are based on research and will encourage your child's teacher throughout their career, directing support so they can make the biggest difference — teaching your child.

When is it happening?

Great teachers = Great results is a five-year action plan. The actions are being rolled out progressively, starting in 2014.

How do I find out more information?

Find out more about our plan and what it means for your family at www.qld.gov.au/greatteachers

**YEAR 8 – 2014
INFORMATION EVENING**

The purpose of the evening is to inform prospective parents and students of the school's future direction and provide details of the aviation contextualised curriculum, summarise the school's policies and practices, uniform details and outline the enrolment procedures.

DATE: Thursday 15 August
TIME: 6.45pm for a 7.00pm start
WHERE: Aviation High school hall

**YEAR 11, 2014
SUBJECT SELECTION & SCHOOL
INFORMATION EVENING**

The purpose of the evening is to inform prospective parents and students of the future direction and facilities development, provide details of the aviation contextualised curriculum, summarise the school's policies and practices, uniform details and outline the enrolment procedures.

DATE: Monday 12 August
TIME: 6.45pm for a 7.00pm start
WHERE: Aviation High school hall

**AVIATION HIGH
OPEN DAY**

**SATURDAY 24 AUGUST 2013
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

67 Widdop St, Clayfield

**THIS EVENT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO COME AND SEE OUR UNIQUE FACILITIES
AND MEET WITH STAFF**

Formerly Hendra Secondary College

&

Hendra State High School

Celebrating 50 Years of Education

You are cordially invited to celebrate the 50 years of Education

On Saturday August 24

12 pm to 4 pm

In conjunction with the school's Annual Open Day

Take part in tour of the school 12.00 – 2.00pm

BBQ lunch available

Display of memorabilia in Library

3.00pm Afternoon tea in Hall

3.30pm - Opening of time capsule

3.45pm - Principal's address

4.00pm Celebrations concluded

Commemorative sets of glasses \$30

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Orders close 1 August, 2013

Place order on our website

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to the school office

Please register your interest in attending

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\$30.00 set

Boxed set of 2 Sterling Old Fashion etched glasses

\$30.00 set

SETS OF GLASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLY THROUGH PRE-ORDERING (ORDERS CLOSE ON 1 AUGUST 2013) FOR PICK UP ON THE DAY AT THE LIBRARY FRONT COUNTER.

SOME OLD 'OPTIMAS' WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE DAY - \$10.00 AT THE LIBRARY FRONT COUNTER.

ORDER FORM – SETS OF GLASSES

NAME: _____ (PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS: _____

PH: HOME: _____ MOBILE: _____

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Visa

Mastercard

EXPIRY DATE: /

CCV:

TOTAL AMOUNT: \$

NAME ON CARD: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU WILL/MAYBE ATTENDING ON THE DAY

WILL ATTEND (#)

MAYBE ATTENDING (#)



Royal Queensland Aero Club Open Day

The RQAC will be holding an open day on Saturday 20th July, a key feature will be the visit of a stunning DA40 XLT aircraft.

Everyone is invited to the open day which will showcase the club to members, their guests and the local community. Highlight of the open day will include:

- Sausage sizzle
- Aircraft static display
- Discounted Introductory Flights
- Discounted SIM rides
- And much more.

Come out and have a look at our changes and how we are working to provide a great club environment for our members.



Enjoy a coffee at the
Red Spoon Cafe!

Come and check out the
Cessna 172 Fleet!



About the DA40-XLT

The DA40 XLT represents an enhancement to the DA40 product line. The new XLT interior includes premium leather with several detail enhancements including newly moulded seat patterns with integrated Diamond embossed padded headrests and improved lumb contour.

