

## Principal's Message

Welcome to this edition of the Aviators Gazette

I wish to thank Regina Garrick who acted on my behalf while I was on long service. I also wish to thank our community for making Regina's stay most enjoyable.

Last week we had two open evenings one for seniors and one for our grade 7's into 8's for 2014. It was so lovely to receive such positive feedback and none more so than from one of our current parents at our parent evening who stood up and delivered to our new parents what a caring school we are.

### School Parking

We have completed our restructuring of the main car park. Parents are reminded that if they choose to enter the main car park then they must wait 10 minutes before leaving with their student. My primary concerns are for the student's safety that on leaving the school they are uninterrupted by any car. We have a drop off/pickup zone and it needs to be used if you wish to leave quickly.

### Aviation High Open Day

This Saturday 24 August is 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.

### Australian Defence Force Academy Education Awards

Congratulations to our Yr. 12 student Claire Woodwell who was presented with ADFA Education Awards on the Wednesday 21 August, 2013 parade. The Award presented by Commodore Bruce Kafer and Rector Professor John Arnold include a laptop for Claire and a complete scholarship for her at the university of NSW from 2014. The education award is only given to four students in the country and Claire is the recipient and she is a credit to herself, her family and Aviation High.

### Peter Doherty Science Award (Brisbane Nobel Winner)

This award is given to only 21 students across all Queensland schools. Jack Stephens one of our students at Aviation High Yr. 12 has received one of the awards and \$3000. We are proud of his achievements and congratulate not only Jack and his family but the efforts of our teachers in supporting Jack

### Qld Core Skills Test

On Tuesday 3 Sept and Wed 4 Sept 2013, many of our Yr. 12 students will sit for the Queensland Core Skills Test in the Hall. This is an important test that the majority of all Yr. 12 students in Qld undertake. To help settle our students and prepare them each day, the Aviation High P&C Assoc. will be providing a nourishing breakfast in the Canteen from 8.00am on both the Tuesday and the Wednesday.

We have an important guest coming to the school this Friday, Dr Jim Watterson our Director General of Education who is here to observe our school in action. We welcome Dr Watterson

Your Partner in Education

David Munn  
Principal



L-R; Commodore Bruce Kafer, Claire Woodwell ADFA Education Award winner, David Munn Principal

## DEPUTY'S DESK

These are very proud weeks for Aviation High.

We have held two Information Evenings – one for year 10 into 11 for 2014 and the second for year 7 into 8 for 2014. These were held in the school Library as the Hall was being re-floored. This proved to be a warm and welcoming venue, and we enjoyed great attendances on each night. Our school community was well in evidence and all contributed to making us very proud indeed. We received many positive comments from parents, excited at the opportunities our school can provide for their students. Senior members of our school staff are now undertaking an intensive period of enrolments for 2014.

This week we look forward to another opportunity to showcase our school, with our annual Open Day being held on Saturday 24 August from 10 until 2pm. Again, our school community will do us proud, with school leaders acting as tour guides around our wonderful facilities. Teachers and Heads of Departments will be available on the day to showcase our school, answering any queries you may have.

May I also remind all members of our school community that the end of term is rapidly approaching, and it is timely that all students refine their study plans to ensure they are prepared to do their very best in all upcoming assessment.

Sue Smith  
Deputy Principal

### SET Plan Interviews.

On Thursday August 15 and Friday August 16 we held the year 10 SET Planning interviews. This is the first time our school has given the Year 10 students and their parents, the opportunity to sit down with a teacher to discuss their future aspirations and their pathways for work or education after year 12. As a school we believe that this process is very important to help our students make the best possible choices for their schooling and their future.

It was a really positive experience both for the year 10 students who conducted themselves beautifully both in the way they presented themselves for interview and in the way they approached the interview with their SET Plan teacher.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the Year 10 students and their parents for helping to make our SET Planning process worthwhile. I'd also like to thank Mrs Milinovich, Mr Buckner, Mrs Dunn, Mr McGrath, Ms Coman, Mr O'Regan, Mr Riordan, Mrs O'Hanlon, Mr Clarke and Mr Wilcox, the 10 teachers who took time out of their busy schedules to conduct the interviews and Mrs Lynne Beasley for her fabulous organisation. Soon I'll be sending home emails asking for parent feedback on the Set Planning process.

Mandy Forbes  
Deputy Principal

## JOB VACANCY

### Casual Cleaners Required

We are looking for responsible, hardworking people to add to our casual cleaners' pool.

If you would like to be added to this list please forward details and a 1 page resume to the Business Services Manager, Donna Schmidt, by email [dschm35@eq.edu.au](mailto:dschm35@eq.edu.au)

## ROCKETRY

On 27 July 2013, Aviation High competed in the Australian Youth Rocketry Competition. This competition was held at Cedar Grove, south of Brisbane. The Primary School groups were required to build a perfectly flyable rocket. The criteria for High Schools was that the rocket had to carry a raw egg up to 228m, deploy the parachute, fly for 45 seconds and land closest to the launch site, with the egg remaining unbroken.

Aviation High was represented by two teams in the High School category, the CASCALES and the HUNTERS. Both the rockets, made from plastic and cardboard, were built from scratch. They were painted in bright colours to catch the crowd's attention and to be more easily found when they landed. Both the rockets misfired (for different reasons) but the egg survived in one rocket. We had a wonderful time and eagerly await the next Rocketry competition.

We would like to thank our School, Aviation High and the Head of Rocketry, Mr Hart for giving us this wonderful opportunity to compete in the Rocketry competition.

Quintus Cardozo  
Student



L-R; Cailon Ker-Phillips, Quintus Cardozo, Liam Janssen, Allan Thomas, Stirling Day(front)

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

### World's biggest orchestra

On 13 July, famous Australian jazz musician James Morrison conducted the Guinness World Record Attempt for the World's Biggest Orchestra. Held at Suncorp stadium, musicians flocked from all over Brisbane and South East Queensland to be a part of this record breaking attempt. The previous world record was 6452 musicians and Brisbane smashed this record with 7224 musicians all playing at once!

Some of our fabulous music students were among the record breakers on the day. Music captain, Alex Brand participated in both the Largest Trumpet ensemble attempt and the Biggest Orchestra attempt. Jack Stephens managed to lug his tuba case up several flights of stairs to perform as part of the Tuba section (who knew there were that many tuba players in Brisbane!), whilst Zachary Hugo and Mr Dovey brought their best percussive efforts to the party. Ms Miles threw her lot in with the largest number of clarinet players ever seen in one place and was amazed at the sound as it echoed around the stadium.

A great day was had by all and a world record was broken!



L-R; Alex Brand, Zachary Hugo, Alison Miles, Ross Dovey, Jack Stephens

## INTERACT NEWS

On Tuesday 6 August, the members of the Interact Club at Aviation High had afternoon tea and sat in on Brisbane Airport Rotary's meeting in our school canteen. It was essentially a meet and greet organised by Paul Hudson who is the student liaison officer for the Interact clubs in this district. Paul regularly attends our meetings. The students were able to observe how a meeting is run and join in on the fun and discussion. It was good to meet the members of Brisbane Airport Rotary and form new links with the club. One of our past teachers is a member - Mr Michael Garratty. It was good to catch up with him again.

The following morning Alex Brand and Claire Woodwell joined me at 7am at the Vanilla Zulu Cooking School at Wilston for the Young Leader's breakfast. Organised by Rotary, student leaders from many schools in the district attended to hear stories from community leaders and business people about their vision of leadership. The stories were inspirational and I'm sure they touched a chord with many of the students. Melanie and her staff from the cooking school prepared a lovely breakfast of muesli, fruit, croissants and muffins. Many thanks to Paul Hudson for inviting Claire, Alex and I to the function.

If any students are interested in attending our Interact meetings, they are held in the Home Economics Block, H1 every second Wednesday at first break. Everyone is welcome! Come and help make a small difference in our global community.



Aviation High Interact Club Members

Mrs Hardy  
Teacher

### DIARY DATES

#### AUGUST

Sat 24	Open Day 10am -2pm 50 Years of Education Celebrations 2pm -4pm
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#### SEPTEMBER

Mon 2-Fri 13	Priority Class Time
Tue 3-Wed 4	QCS Test
Wed 11	P&C Meeting 6.15pm
Mon 16 – Fri 20	Yr 10 Work Experience
Fri 20	Final Day of Term

#### OCTOBER

Mon 7	Public Holiday
Tue 8	First Day Term 4
Wed 9	P&C Meeting 6.15pm

## CHAPPY CHAT

Insurer QBE is partnering with SUQld to provide funding for school chaplaincy that can involve you, but doesn't cost you anything! For everyone who goes to [www.partnerprogram.com.au](http://www.partnerprogram.com.au) and chooses QBE as their CTP provider, QBE will donate funds towards our chaplaincy service. Choose them as an insurer for your house, car, boat etc and they'll donate even more. All details on the website.

Splashout City Camp is on again at Peregian, from 30 Sept to 4 Oct. Cost is \$270. More details from Matt who's a camp leader, or go to [www.sucamps.org.au](http://www.sucamps.org.au)  
rev Matthew Govan  
Chaplain

## NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

We need science. It's part of our lives – all day, every day and everywhere – in the food we eat, clothes we wear, medicine we ingest, money we spend and devices we use.

Science is so deeply entrenched in our lives that many people who use the wonders of science do so without thinking, understanding or observing that these products arose from the work of scientists.

Science is exciting. It lets you dream, lets you make and test hypothesis, and teaches you to think analytically. Science leads to new ideas, new understandings and new and better applications. Scientists know that we can't understand everything about the world, but they try anyway because the search is exhilarating.

Here in Queensland we were excited about National Science Week. Between 10 and 18 August, I urge you to get involved in National Science Week and recognise and celebrate all things science. There was plenty to see and do at Aviation High. Enjoy!

1. The clouded leopard is native to which continent?
2. In chemistry, what is the relative charge on a sulfide ion?
3. How many lobes did trilobite exoskeletons have?
4. The dermis is part of which organ?
5. Which of these vegetables is not a tuber: potatoes, yams, sweet potatoes or pumpkins?

### Answers

1. The clouded leopard is native to Asia.
2. The relative charge on a sulfide ion is -2.
3. Trilobite exoskeletons had three lobes.
4. The dermis is part of the skin.
5. Pumpkins are not tubers.



**WATCH YOUR CAREER TAKE OFF.**

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# JUNIOR AVIATION CAREERS ACADEMY (JACA)



## SECTION 1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

Airline Academy of Australia offers students from Year 8 and above the opportunity to experience the challenge of learning to fly.

Our Junior Aviation Careers Academy program allows students to experience 3 hours of structured flight training. This is the ideal opportunity for students to “try out” a career before embarking on a full course, while giving them something active and fun to do on their school holidays.

The program includes flights, visits to the Air traffic Control Tower, Maintenance Hangars, Career’s Talks etc.

The JACA course costs \$1,250 (Incl. GST) and all flights can be logged and credited to future courses and training.

### Future Course Dates:

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013



## SECTION 2.0 HOW TO MAKE A BOOKING

Please call either Lenore or Marie at the Airline Academy of Australia on 3722 3222, or email us at [enquiries@rqac.com.au](mailto:enquiries@rqac.com.au) for more information or to book for your preferred dates.

### COMMUNITY EDUCATION SEMINARS

Anxiety Disorderws in School Aged Children

Wednesday 21 August & Wednesday 4 September

10am – 12noon

Centro Toombul Conference Room

Ph: 0404 354 488

[Christinehyde101@gmail.com](mailto:Christinehyde101@gmail.com)

### NUNDAH SWIMMING CLUB

Join Queensland’s first swimming club on Saturday 7 September, 10am – 3pm.

Babies, Learn to Swim, Squads and Adults. Bring the family and enjoy a free swim in our heated pool plus a BBQ and massive one day only sale on all club ware.

For more information  
visit:[www.nundahsharks.com.au](http://www.nundahsharks.com.au)

# Does Attendance Really Matter?

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but.....

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2.5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>	 Equal to finishing at grade 4

## LATE ARRIVALS @ SCHOOL

Attendance at school every day gives your child the best opportunity to do well. Just a little bit doesn't seem much but .....

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	& over 13 yrs of schooling that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per wk	Nearly 1.5 wks per yr	Nearly <u>½ year</u>
20 mins per day	1hr 40 mins per wk	Over 2.5 wks per yr	Nearly <u>1 yr</u>
Half hr per day	Half a day per wk	4 wks per yr	Nearly <u>1½ yrs</u>
1hr per day	1 day per wk	8 wks per yr	Over <u>2½ yrs</u>