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Principal's Message

Free Dress Day

Congratulations and thank you to our senior student leadership team who organised the school free dress day last Friday. Can I thank our parents and carers for supporting the day and to our students for wearing appropriate casual dress to school. My understanding from the school captains that the money raised will be going towards supporting all students in the school and that they will speak to the student body at our whole school assembly on Tuesday.

Priority Class Time

The school is about to enter what we call Priority Class Time. This is the period of time leading up to the exams where we make every effort to ensure that students have uninterrupted class time. We avoid excursions and interruptions to normal classes as much as possible. Parents/caregivers can support the school during this period by ensuring that their students attend every day, arrive before the bell and are fully prepared to participate in class.

Leading up to the end of semester exams, it is important for parents/caregivers to ensure that their students stay focussed on their studies. Please remember that the Assessment Planner for all year levels can be found on our school website. This Planner lays out what assessment items (assignments, exams etc) are coming up for every subject and is very handy for reminding your

students what they need to focus on. Can I finish this segment by reminding all carers and parents that schools will always support students who legitimately are out of school on medical grounds. However organising driving lessons are not acceptable or legitimate reasons for missing school.

School Council Meeting

Last week I attended our second whole school student council meeting. This was chaired by Mrs Taylor our Year 12 welfare leader in the Multi Media Room. The attendance was very high and I should like to acknowledge the thoughtfulness of the questions being asked from our students in year 8 and 9. The questions and more importantly the answers are being looked at by the P&C.

INTERACT

Can I thank Mrs Hardy, Mr Govan our Chaplain and Vice-Captain James Reid for taking leading roles in our Interact club. I have met with Rotary Aviation liaison officer Mr Stephen Green who will be working with the team for the rest of the year

Junior Secondary Peer Review

On Tuesday we as a school, were assessed as to our readiness for Junior Secondary in 2015. The review was conducted by three principals from around the metropolitan region. A portion of our staff was interviewed around the principles of junior secondary along with the Admin team. Can I report that we received extremely high commendations for the schools hard work to date.

School Uniforms

With the weather turning cooler, it is timely to remind students about wearing the correct school uniform to school. I would seek the support of parents/caregivers to ensure that their students continue to be dressed smartly in the Aviation High uniform and avoid non-uniform items especially jumpers, jackets, track suit pants etc. The school has always been praised for its smart formal school uniform - we would like to continue this reputation with your support.

If you require new uniform items, the Uniform Shop is open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8.00am to 11.00am. The P&C also have second hand uniform items that may be purchased.

On a final note, congratulations to Simon Constable who last week became a national champion in gymnastics and is not only a credit to himself and his family but to our school.

Your Partner in Education

David Munn - Principal

Welfare

Year 10

Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo

The enthusiasm by parents and students in attending our Parent Information Evening was repeated with 100% attendance on our recent excursion to the Brisbane Careers and Employment Expo at the Brisbane Convention Centre. The students were all complimented on their formal uniform and their insightful and enthusiastic questioning of exhibitors. The expertise in the areas of careers, employment, education and training from Universities, Defence Force Recruiting, Training Colleges and Employment Agencies provided our students with their relevant experience and advice in regards to the Year 10 students obtaining their desired career pathway. The day was organised to provide students with information to assist in their subject selection on Wednesday 27th August as part of Aviation High's Welfare program and the SET Planning process. Our recent Parent Information Yr 10 evening was overwhelmingly supported by our school community so we envisage a positive response and enthusiasm to this inaugural event for Aviation High. Thank you to the students for their participation in collating information that will be used in their Welfare Sessions each Tuesday. Thank you to our Guidance Officer Mrs McFarlane and the Year 10 Welfare Teachers Mr Clark, Mr Nunan and Mrs Diessel for their assistance in making this event a wonderful experience for students.

The Value for Life this week is Strength so I am confident the students have gained confidence and strength in the decision making process on their first step on a pathway to career success.

"Climbing to the top demands strength, whether it is to the top of Mount Everest or to the top of your career." A. P. J. Abdul Kalam

Ms Louise Coman

Yr 10 Welfare Leader

[CLICK HERE](#) to view Careers Expo photos

Year 12

A letter will be given to your student this week in relation to the purchase and ordering of the Senior Jersey. If your child would like to purchase a jersey, payment must be received by Monday, 9 June.

Plans are well underway for the end of year activities with a suggestion that this year a Graduation Breakfast will be held on the last day of school – more information to follow.

Students are reminded to keep on top of their studies and assignments. If you are experiencing difficulties or are feeling overwhelmed, please come and speak to myself or Mrs McFarlane the Guidance Officer. We're here to help and assist you in any way we can.

Mrs Taylor

Year 12 Welfare Leader

Senior Schooling

GenR8 Project

The GenR8 project provides a wonderful opportunity for Year 12 students to gain a Certificate II in Warehousing and Logistics and gain valuable work experience in this growing industry.

Seven Year 12 students have taken this opportunity to gain their qualification. The students attend 20 days of work experience at one of these businesses – Followmont Transport, TNT, and Russell Transport, and 10 days of TAFE where they learn the theory about warehousing and logistics. Thank you very much to these businesses for mentoring the students and hopefully giving them a pathway to employment in 2015.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view GenR8 photos

Aviation High Business Week

All Year 11 students will be participating in this project in Week 10 of this semester. Students will form teams of 13-15 people, where they will form a company airline to compete the title of Champion Company Airline. The students work with a business and a teacher mentor to complete a series of tasks – business simulation, trade display, oral presentation, TV commercial, company report, flight simulator flights, a safety announcement and construction of a menu.

During this week, there are no scheduled classes and all students are expected to participate in this project.

Queensland Core Skills Test

The Queensland Core Skills test (QCS) will be held on 2, 3 September. Students are responsible for providing their own equipment at QCS. The following is a list of the equipment needed.

Test Session	Permitted		Not Permitted
	Essential	Optional	
Writing Task	Pens (black ink)	Pencils Pencil sharpener Eraser Correcting fluid/tape Highlighter	Own paper Dictionary Thesaurus Electronic devices

		Transparent container to carry equipment	
Multiple Choice I and Multiple Choice II	2B pencils Pen sharpener Eraser Ruler Approved calculator	Highlighter Transparent container to carry equipment	Own paper Dictionary Thesaurus Protractor Drawing compass Electronic devices
Short Response	Pens (black ink) Pencils Protractor Drawing compass Eraser Coloured pencils Ruler Approved calculator	Highlighter Pencil sharpener Correcting fluid/tape	Own paper Dictionary Thesaurus Electronic devices

Year 10 Senior Education and Training (SET) Planning

The Year 10 SET planning day is scheduled for Wednesday 27 August. Information presented on the SET planning parent evening held earlier in the term is now on the school's website – www.aviationhigh.eq.edu.au . It can be located under Curriculum, Senior School headings.

Masterclass 2014

A big thank-you to our past music students Alex Brandt, Jack Stephens and Ellen Long (who assisted as mentors to our new musical recruits) at Masterclass last Tuesday.

Thanks also to our Teachers Mrs Doucet (Instrumental), Mrs Miles (Music) for managing and planning the days' program. As well Mr Mc Grath (our Science Head of Dept), for his involvement in the band and Mrs Hardy (Hospitality teacher) and Mrs Calabro (Teacher Aide) who along with the Year 11 Hospitality class supplied lunch on the day.

Regular concert band rehearsals will now commence and students will be showcasing some of their work on Open Day as well as other future events.

Rob Buckner
Head of The Arts

[CLICK HERE](#) to view photographs from the day (Thanks to Ms Park).

Met North Cross-Country Meet

Last Tuesday, Aviation High had three students compete in the regional cross country competition held at St Paul's. There were a number of high level competitors, from both state and private schools in attendance. Our students are to be commended on their superb efforts, all of whom were excellent ambassadors for Aviation High.

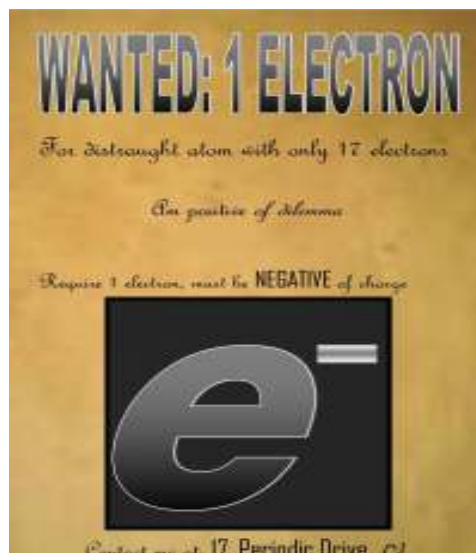
Our highest ranked competitor on the day was Megan G (12C) who came in 3rd place for the 19 years girls. Will H (8C) placed 26th in the highly competitive 13 years boys group, which included the national 400m champion. Our final competitor, Kyan C (12C) also ran extremely well in the hottest part of the day placing 46th in the 17 years boys race. All students are to be commended for the great efforts that they put in on a hot autumn day.



Science - Year 9

Elements are what we are, and what all materials are made up of.

Mrs. Monteiro's Year 9 Science class has just studied a unit on Chemistry and her students gave expression to their ideas in written form. This is Quinlann's contribution:



Aviation High School Community Ball

To celebrate the launch of Aviation High School on 9th August 2007, we are holding a Formal Evening at the Riverside Reception Centre, 50 Oxlade Drive, New Farm on Saturday 9th August 2014 from 6:30pm until 11pm. All senior student leaders, past and present parents, past students, staff, P&C and friends of our school community are invited to attend. Please join us for this inaugural event and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and champagne overlooking the river upon arrival. Then be seated to enjoy a three course set menu with the Aviation High School Community in this magnificent venue. Followed by dessert, dancing and door prizes.

Please join us by purchasing your tickets by phoning or visiting the School Office on 3637 0111. Tickets are \$125 per person or \$110 per person if 2 or more tickets are purchased in one transaction. Please email Ms L Coman for further information lcoma2@eq.edu.au

[CLICK HERE](#) for details

Lost Property

There is a large collection of lost property items accumulating at the office which have no name or other identification. If your student has lost an item could they please come to the office to see if it has been handed in. Our collection includes hats, jumpers, sports uniforms, lunch boxes, pencil cases and other items. Non-uniform items not claimed will be donated to charity.

If lost property is marked with the name of the student, we can return the item to the right owner. We urge all parents to ensure that all items are named clearly.

Road Safety Education

Last year 286 young people aged 17-25 years were killed on Australian roads and many times this number were left with a life changing traumatic injury. Youth road trauma statistics are staggering but the enormity of the loss is often only realized when it hits close to home, impacting family, freinds and a school community.

Getting behind the wheel as a young driver or being a young passenger with a novice driver is among the most dangerous things that a person will do in their entire life.

The award winning RYDA Program provided by Road Safety Education Limited places students in small groups that rotate through six interactive and engaging sessions on a broad range of road safety topics including hazard perception, stopping distances, fatigue, experiences from crash survivors, ramifications of traffic offences and vehicle safety. Students also have the opportunity to participate as passengers in a vehicle that highlights the distance it takes to stop travelling at different speeds.

Target Group: Students aged 16-17 (Year 11 students)
 Program Tme: Starting on-site at 9.30am and finishing by 2:10pm
 Venue: Logan Metro Indoor Sports Centre, Crestmead
 Sleeman Sports Complex, Chandler
 Southport Community Centre, Southport
 Bremer TAFE, Bundamba

Cost per Student: \$17+gst

For further information, please visit: www.rse.org.au

For booking enquiries, please contact Brisbane Coordinator Tahnia Cook on 0434 767 530.

Diary Dates

Final Day for Year 11 & 12 Assignments	Friday 6 June
Queens Birthday - Public Holiday	Monday 9 June
Vaccinations - Year 8 & 10 students	Tuesday 10 June
Exam Block - Year 11 & 12	Friday 13 June to Thursday 19 June
Australian National Chemistry Quiz	Thursday 19 June
RSA Course (Responsible Service of Alcohol)	Friday 20 June
Aviation High Open Day	Saturday 21 June

Aviation Business Week	Monday 23 June to Friday 27 June
Year 12 QCS Practice & Post School Options	Monday 23 June to Friday 27 June
Reports Posted - Year 8, 9 & 10	Tuesday 24 June
Reports Posted - Year 11 & 12	Friday 27 June
Last Day - Term 2	Friday 27 June
School Resumes - Term 3	Monday 14 July

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