



AGTECH Connections

The fortnightly newsletter of the Australian
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Community'

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North Maclean Campus is progressing; more students into work experience



Welcome back to term 2.

It has been encouraging to note that several students have been engaged in work experience in the last few weeks before the holidays. A special thank you to all parents who have worked hand in hand with our teachers to gain positive learning outcomes for the students. We have mapped out a clear plan for every student for successfully completing their QCE and we reiterate the involvement and feedback from parents to ensure that students complete all tasks during class and seek assistance from teachers if they have any difficulty. Academic work has been a priority and will always be a priority because the initiative and the hard work put into submitting assessments and communicating with teachers reflects positively to any employer. I would like to invite parents/guardians to our parent/teacher evening on Tuesday, 24th April (3.00 -7.00 pm) to discuss and review student progress.

Australian Technology & Agricultural College, a not-for-profit Independent Senior College has its staff working tirelessly with trades and businesses to place students into work experience in term 1.

With initial challenges in moving to the original approved site, ATAC has embarked into small projects and improving sporting and agricultural activities. Transferrable skills developed through various projects and work experience will provide opportunities for students for choosing their potential career pathway.

ATAC supports "City Futures Strategy" in leadership, innovation, technology, and entrepreneurship for Logan, by including and collaborating with local growers and young potential farmers to support agricultural and technical needs for the local and Indigenous communities. We had strong support from students and staff in nurturing the vegetable gardens which are now flowering and fruiting.

As the demand for food grows, we hope that some local high-tech production systems can be developed in Logan by the support of local industries, small businesses, and some keen innovative students of ATAC. With our knowledge and skills in growing Australian Native species, we hope to work closely with Indigenous communities to establish a great working relationship. Arrangements have been made for meetings with local communities to strengthen relationships and explore potential projects for them.

Business & Services Manager

Wanshika Rai

Thank you to all students and teachers who have worked extremely hard to complete Term 1 at North Maclean. It has been a roller coaster of a journey we have had this year in adjusting into our new site.

We are excited for Term 2 and hope all parents and students have had a relaxing break! Some of our students have been sacrificing their holidays to continue with their work experience which demonstrates initiative and commitment to their decisions! This is an exceptional and proud moment for us here at ATAC.

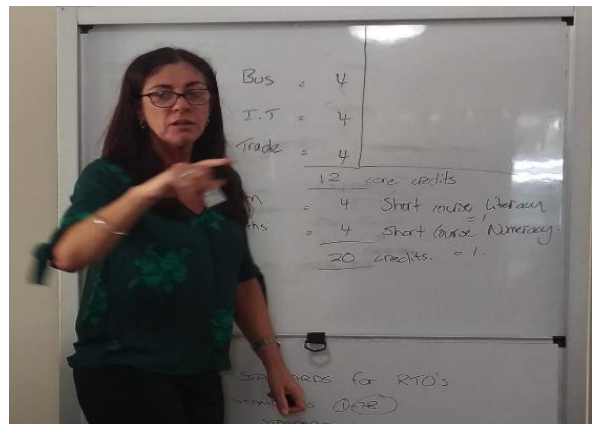
Over the holidays, we have had further improvements to our facilities and with more future developments planned throughout the year.

Last week a statement of account was emailed to all parents on their nominated email. Please inform me if you have not received any email or correspondence. If you need any assistance or queries with invoices, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In the next few weeks, I will be actively contacting parents who have outstanding fees. If you wish to change your payment option, could you please advise us in writing to finance@atac.qld.edu.au. We welcome over the phone payments, along with cash and direct transfers.



Upgrading ATAC sewerage system by Express Wastewater Solutions, with Aqua Nova tanks and complete new piping system.



Marnie Parker from Independent Schools Queensland (ISQ) explaining VET Education processes to ATAC Staff on Thursday 6th April 13, 2018.



Thomas Hanford, Harry Proskafalas, Jason Singh Sandhar and Garnet Radford (L-R) from Logan City Council Economic Development Branch meeting with Dr Nand at ATAC on Tuesday, 3rd April, 2018 to see how ATAC could be supported in various ways to make greater contribution to the people of Logan.

DATES TO REMEMBER

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

**Tuesday, 24th April
2018**

3:00 – 7:00pm

Please contact administration or teacher for
an appointment on
admin@atac.qld.edu.au or 5547 8598

ANZAC DAY – Public holiday

Wednesday, 25th April 2018



Flowering and fruiting zucchini - an extremely healthy crop which is proudly picked up by staff who have been watering and taking care of the gardens during the holidays. Thanks to Gary Nahrung for planting them and to all those who have been involved in nurturing them.



Fruiting tomatoes in front of flowering corn, wilted slightly due to dry weather. Getting ready for harvest soon