



# AGTECH Connections

The newsletter of the Australian Technology  
& Agricultural College

*'Connecting the College with the Community'*

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**Independent Senior Secondary College for Years 10 to 12**

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*Dr Narendra Nand*



### Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2020 Academic year. We are very pleased with the new year 10 enrolments who wish to pursue a three-year journey with quick steps into TAFE and work experiences. Their career pathways have been planned in conjunction with their parent (s) and they wish to complete their QCE, Certificate II in Business and FSK and a trade of their choice. They have a wide range of Trade Certificates to choose from in order to achieve the career of their own choice. They have a wide range of opportunities to explore, including higher education via TAFE or University. ATAC greatly appreciates the parental and grand parents' support for the payment of full discounted fee for the 2020 year for year 10. Year 11 and 12 students have started preparing to attend TAFE for their career paths.

ATAC's partnership with OneStop Training and Australian Institute of Arboriculture for short term upskilling courses provides additional skills to enhance their employment opportunities for ATAC students and the local community.

As a Registered Training Organisation (RTO No. 45556), ATAC has moved a step ahead to offer own certificate II courses this year. Gradually more QCAA courses will be added to the scope providing additional onsite training.

With some good rain, North Maclean Community Garden (NMCG) members have begun planting. About 250 eggplants have been planted and the natural weather supports their growth. Thanks to Mr Brian Howard and Mr Lal Fanai for their hard work in supporting the community.

In this newsletter we have attached the Bus timetable and brochures to enable interested students to explore the great learning opportunity provided to our students and the wider community. North and south bound bus stops on the service road provides safe public transport within 200m of ATAC gate.

### **ALL ABOUT ATAC**

ATAC provides individual support in small air-conditioned classrooms allowing students to work at their own pace. Regular parental discussion & feedback provides ongoing support to develop academic success, opportunity for work experience and potential apprenticeship in Year 12. Mental health support and behaviour management strategies provided by ALIVE & Springwood Wellness Centre assists our students and staff to maintain a balance in academic and career pathways.

**Gary Suthers**

*English, Humanities and Agricultural Science Teacher*

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your child at ATAC. Welcome to a new term, to a new year and a new decade! A new beginning for our new year 10 students and a new stage of learning for our year 11 and 12 students. All students hit the ground running with some pretesting in Mathematics and English and then the year 10's began work on their Agricultural science project for this term, started to learn about the 20th century and revisited simple Mathematics. The year 11's started work on how to get the job that they want and started learning about Workplace Health and Safety on farms. Social issues and how that impacts our daily lives is the focus for the year 12's in English this term and Caleb is viewing a documentary about dolphin harvesting in Japan. I am very excited about the input that all students have put into their learning this week with most students very keen to put in effort during the lessons and on the Ping Pong table. Some changes have been made to the content and how to teach it in some subjects after some valuable feedback from the students. Flexible learning to suit the learners is what we do here at ATAC.



**BUS Timetable**

Route 540 <b>Beaudesert to Browns Plains</b> servicing Beaudesert, Gleneagle, Veresdale, Woodhill, Jimboomba, Maclean, Park Ridge and Browns Plains													
Monday to Friday													
Route number	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	
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Beaudesert, Anna St	5:45	6:45	7:45	8:45	9:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:35	3:00	4:10	5:10	6:10
Gleneagle (Butcher Shop)	5:52	6:52	7:52	8:52	9:42	10:42	11:42	12:42	1:42	3:07	4:17	5:17	6:17
Woodhill State Primary School	5:56	6:56	7:56	8:56	9:46	10:46	11:46	12:46	1:46	3:11	4:21	5:21	6:21
Jimboomba, Mount Lindsay Hwy	6:04	7:04	8:04	9:04	9:54	10:54	11:54	12:54	1:54	3:19	4:29	5:29	6:29
Service Road at Weating Road	6:11	7:11	8:11	9:11	10:01	11:01	12:01	1:01	2:01	3:26	4:36	5:36	6:36
Park Ridge park 'r' ride	6:26	7:26	8:26	9:26	10:16	11:16	12:16	1:16	2:16	3:41	4:51	5:51	6:51
Greenbank Gardens	6:27	7:27	8:27	9:27	10:17	11:17	12:17	1:17	2:17	3:42	4:52	5:52	6:52
Browns Plains Plaza	6:36	7:36	8:36	9:36	10:26	11:26	12:26	1:26	2:26	3:51	5:01	6:01	7:01

**Explanations**  
Public Holidays – please visit [translink.com.au](http://translink.com.au) or call 13 12 30 for confirmation of public holiday timetables.

Route 540 <b>Browns Plains to Beaudesert</b> servicing Browns Plains, Park Ridge, Maclean, Jimboomba, Woodhill, Veresdale, Gleneagle and Beaudesert												
Monday to Friday												
Route number	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540
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Browns Plains Plaza stop 28	6:50	7:50	8:40	9:35	10:35	11:35	12:35	1:55	3:15	4:15	5:15	6:15
Greenbank Gardens	6:58	7:58	8:48	9:43	10:43	11:43	12:43	2:03	3:23	4:23	5:23	6:23
Park Ridge park 'r' ride	6:59	7:59	8:49	9:44	10:44	11:44	12:44	2:04	3:24	4:24	5:24	6:24
Service Road at Weating Road	7:10	8:10	9:00	9:55	10:55	11:55	12:55	2:15	3:35	4:35	5:35	6:35
Jimboomba, Mount Lindsay Hwy	7:18	8:18	9:08	10:03	11:03	12:03	1:03	2:23	3:43	4:43	5:43	6:43
Woodhill State Primary School	7:26	8:26	9:16	10:11	11:11	12:11	1:11	2:31	3:51	4:51	5:51	6:51
Gleneagle State School	7:32	8:32	9:22	10:17	11:17	12:17	1:17	2:37	3:57	4:57	5:57	6:57
Beaudesert, Anna St	7:41	8:41	9:31	10:26	11:26	12:26	1:26	2:46	4:06	5:06	6:06	7:06

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**ATAC TERM DATES 2020**

TERM	DATE	LENGTH
<b>Term 1</b>	Tuesday 28 January–Friday 3 April	10 weeks
<b>Term 2</b>	Monday 20 April–Friday 26 June	10 weeks
<b>Term 3</b>	Monday 13 July–Friday 18 September	10 weeks
<b>Term 4</b>	Tuesday 6 October–Friday 11 December	10 weeks

**Welcome to the Australian Technology &  
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**All courses and resources are provided by ACS  
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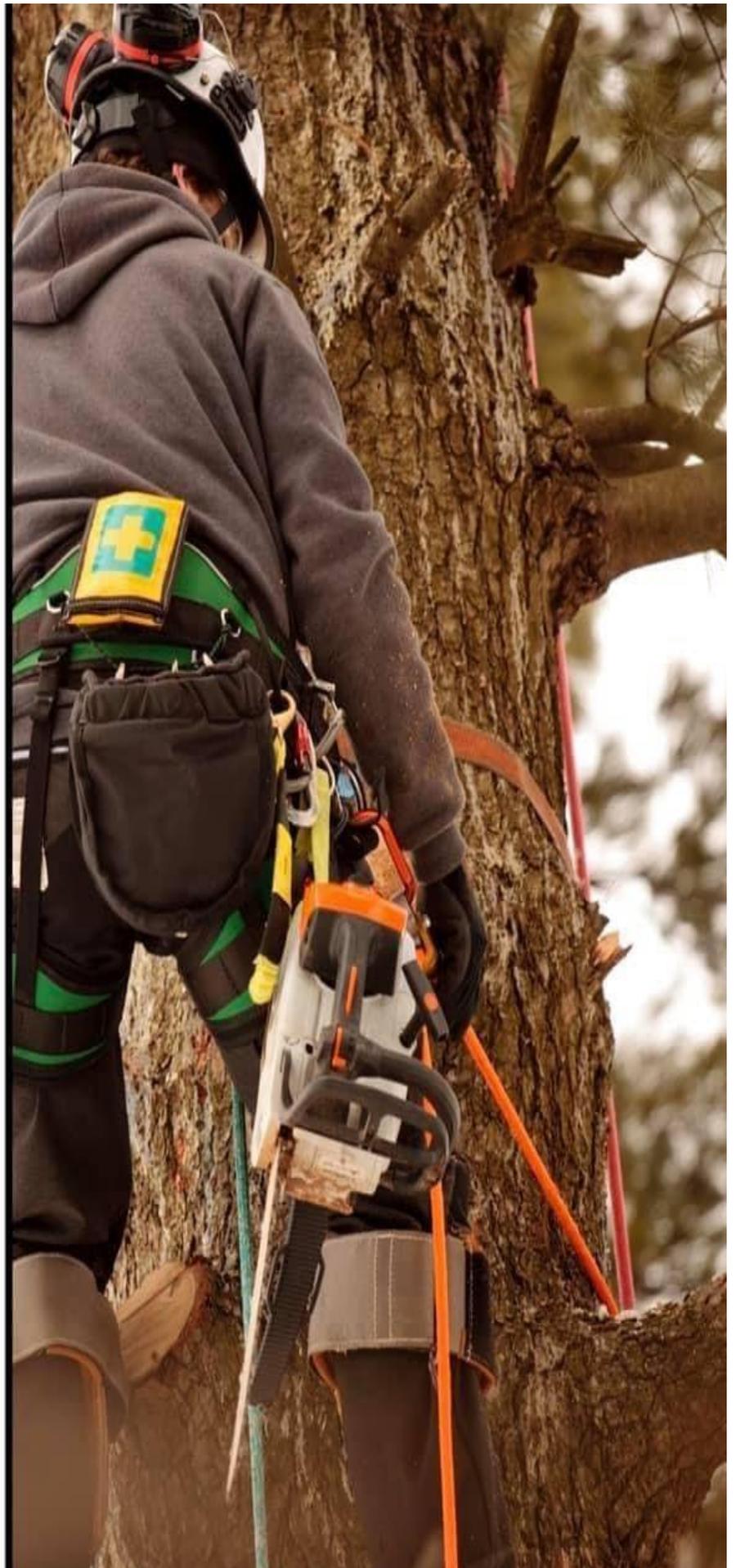
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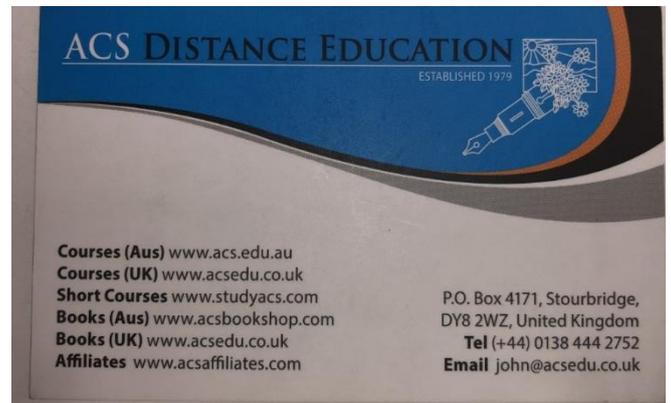


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