



AGTECH Connections

The newsletter of the Australian
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Principal's Message

Term three has come to an end and all students have been busy completing their assessments. I am pleased with the support provided by the parents and the extra effort put in by the teachers. Teachers had been directly contacting parents/guardians to update them and to seek their assistance when needed for providing individual attention. Our individualised support and flexible programmes have been attractive to students and parents. Our program for each student is planned for successfully completing their QCE at the end of Year 12 with minimum workload.

Great outcome for Jhye and Xander who have signed up for their work experience last week and this week, respectively. Congratulations to both of you.

Open Day

On Saturday 15th September 2018, ATAC had its first open day from 10.00 am-1.00 pm. Our Guests included MP Mr Linus Power who spoke about the need for filling the gap in our education system where some students get left out due to the heavy work load. He was happy that ATAC provides to fill in the void with hands-on experience learning and alternative pathways to their desired careers. Many of these students would have missed out on the completion of QCE and potential jobs but are now on track for an early kick-start to their career.

Other speakers were Mrs Andrea Harris, the CEO of AQI, an RTO which provides Business Certificate II to our students and Rachela, a happy mum of one of our students. I thank each of our Board members, parents, Business partners, parents and well-wishers who came to provide their support on the day. Special thanks to Irene who generously provided the catering for the day. There were new prospective students and parents who attended the presentations to understand ATAC programme and alternative pathways.

Infrastructure development:

A water tank has been installed beside our new shed. Brian Howard of Howards concreting and ATAC neighbor, has been a great help to us providing us voluntary assistance in various works, including landscaping and excavation since the beginning of the year.

ATAC greatly appreciates his ardent and unreserved assistance to ATAC.

The Gardens have been partially planted and bird netting installed for protection from the weather and all animals which seem to have been grazing on our young plants. The nursery is almost ready and hopefully it will be complete in the next few weeks while we are still working on our aquaculture project.

**EDUCATION IS THE
PASSPORT TO THE THOSE
WHO PREPARE FOR IT
TODAY.**

Business & Services Manager

Wanshika Rai

Thank you to everyone who came and assisted us in the Open Day.

As Term 4 commences on Monday, 8th of October we will be heading in for a busy season at the office.

Parents please note that all fees are due to be payable before the end of the term.

Term 4 ends on the 16th November for Year 12s and 30th November for Year 10 & 11s.

Real-life job skills that employers are looking for....

- ❖ **Communication skills.**
Regardless of your profession, communication skills are a must.
- ❖ **Organisation**
- ❖ **Teamwork**
- ❖ **Punctuality**
- ❖ **Critical thinking**
- ❖ **Positive attitude**
- ❖ **Responsibility**
- ❖ **Commitment**

Upcoming Events:

- **21st September- Term Last Day**
- **8th October- Term 4 Start Day**
- **16th October- Parent Teacher Interview**

Our new shed



We will be using this shed to provide our students with equipment training.

ATAC Open Day



ATAC Board Member and President of Ethnic Schools Association QLD Marry Irene Bayldon with Wanshika Rai



Dr. Nand address guests at our Open Day



Mr Brian Howard (left) of Howard’s concreting being congratulated by Dr Nand for his effort and support to ATAC. Mr Howard, with his truck and excavator at the tank he installed beside the new shed. ATAC board, staff, students and parents are greatly humbled with the great moral and site development support provided by Mr. Howard.



Barry Sutcliffe donates manual crane for our new shed. Thanks very much to the Sutcliffe family for also donating a 3-D printer to ATAC.



Mr. Mull Chand of Compressor Technology Queensland (CTQ). Congratulating Jhye O’Meley for accepting his work experience. Jhye’s Dad Glenn (middle) expressed his gratitude for the outcome.



Mr Linus Power, (Member for Logan in Queensland Parliament), addressing at ATAC's first Open Day (15 Sept. 2018). It was great privilege and honour to have Mr power who had kindly agreed to speak and share his teaching experience. He acknowledged, respected and supported ATAC vision and was happy to see many state schools which were also incorporating flexible pathways and filling gaps in formal schooling systems. The Government has approved \$M1.9 grant for external infrastructure and capital work for the ATAC development in the next two years. This will be great of benefit to Logan community.

ATAC Well-Wishers supporting our students. They can be contacted on their websites.



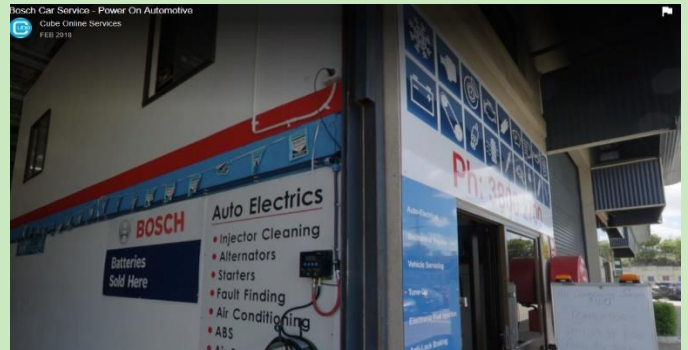
Commercial & Residential Glaziers



Round House Mechanical workshop at North Maclean North Maclean Produce Shop



Brisbane General Engineering Specialties



BOSCH Auto Electrics, Browns Plains



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