

# **AGTECH Connections**

The newsletter of the Australian Technology & Agricultural College 'Connecting the College with the Community'

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### **College Founder/CEO**

**Dr Narendra Nand** 

#### **Principal's Message**

Welcome to the second term of school after a good Easter break. There is always too much



to do if we are all working hard either at home, work or at school. With stable educational plans, staffing and project works we all look forward to a cruising term. With voluntary assistance on project work by a parent, Mr Matt Mclachlan and an aquaculture expert Dr Choy on aquariums, we look forward to completion of the projects more quickly. The alternative and flexible pathways provided to ATAC makes is easier for students to achieve their (a) QCE (b) Cert II in Business and (3) Cert II in a trade of their choice.

Mr Gary Suthers and Mr Ravi Naidu have been attending to the curriculum requirements and are preparing to attend QCAA workshops to ensure that we are supported in the preparation of our students for QCE. Work experience and attendance at TAFE for our students is a step forward to traineeship and/or apprenticeship and we encourage all students to be completing these basic requirements.

Our first Business Dinner was held at the Stellarosa, Parkridge on 17 April, 2019. Thanks to the Business owners and leaders who wish to support ATAC students to progress in their careers. The ATAC Board meets regularly to learn about your contribution and greatly appreciates the community support.

# **Gary Suthers**

**English, Humanities and Agricultural Science Teacher** 

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your child at ATAC. After the Easter break all classes have been completing their tasks. The senior students have been finishing their assessment items over the last two weeks. English lessons have focused on writing for different requirements. Senior students have been completing their resumes, researching jobs in places that they would like to work and practicing their interview skills. Year 11 have been researching the modern workplace and has produced a brochure to inform new employee what to expect on their first few days. Year 10 are looking at various texts in the world of advertising and how this influences our daily lives. Also, in year 10 History, we have been studying displaced people and the refugee experience. Reading or understanding different information is the focus this term with academic understanding of film, the written word and the Australian identity.

# **Ravinesh Naidu**

#### **Business & Math's Teacher**

A warm welcome to all students to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Term and I sincerely hope that we all are geared up to give our best to pursue our academic success.

#### Radhika Behal

**Business Development Manager** 

Hello, this is second week of Term 2. I have had many discussions with local Businesses introducing college and discussing the opportunities for students to do work experience and the possibility of future Traineeships/School Based Apprenticeships. I am extremely grateful for the community support, ATAC

has received so far. Thanks to all the parents who have been so supportive to me and the College.





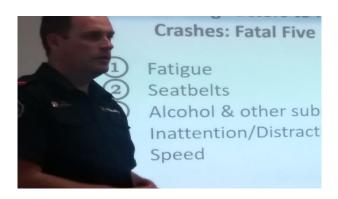




Business Dinner at Stellarosa at Parkridge on 17/04/2019. Dr Nand did a presentation to highlight the ATAC vision and how the Businesses can benefit from partnership while supporting our young potential workforce. Students could develop a good career and develop skills needed for small business operation.

Presentation by Mathew Harris an Auxillary firefighter from Beaudesert Fire & Rescue Station (Below) on fire safety in various circumstances including vehicle crashes.















Kyle and Josh securing the chicken coop from potential predators

# **2019 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

| Term 1          | Monday                 | Friday              |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| (10 weeks)      | January 29             | April 5             |
| Easter Vacation | Monday<br>April 8      | Monday<br>April 22  |
| Term 2          | Tuesday                | Friday              |
| (10 weeks)      | April 23               | June 28             |
| Winter          | Monday                 | Friday              |
| Vacation        | July 1                 | July 12             |
| Term 3          | Monday                 | Friday              |
| (10 weeks)      | July 15                | September 20        |
| Spring Vacation | Monday<br>September 23 | Friday<br>October 4 |
| Term 4          | Monday                 | Friday              |
| (10 weeks)      | October 7              | December 13         |
| Competency      | Monday                 | Tuesday             |
| Completion      | December 16            | December 24         |

# ATAC AGM NOTICE

Date: 19th May 2019 Time: 10.00 am At: 4802-4822 Mount Lindesay Hwy, North Maclean

Committee members have been already informed earlier. Any parent /guardian who wish to be nominated to join the committee, please contact the College.

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





Compressor Technology QLD in Boronia Heights



COMBAT SYSTEMS

BP Service Station North Maclean & Regents Park





Roundhouse Workshop at North Maclean





It's a great opportunity to talk to training providers, employers and support services about careers, courses and subsidised training initiatives.

There are also opportunities to find out more about:

- · Career and training pathway information
- Apprenticeship and Traineeship information
- Employment opportunities
- Training and course information

| Redlands                    | Gold Coast            | Logan                |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Tuesday 30 April 2019       | Thursday 2 May 2019   | Thursday 9 May 2019  |
| 10.00am - 12.00pm           | 10.00am - 12.00pm     | 10.00am - 12.00pm    |
| TAFE Alexandra Hills Campus | TAFE Southport Campus | TAFE Loganlea Campus |
| Windemere Rd,               | 91/99 Scarborough St, | 50/68 Armstrong Rd,  |
| Alexandra Hills QLD         | Southport QLD         | Meadowbrook QLD      |

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what you do for
others (Danny
Thomas)

Whoever,
wishes to reach
a distant goal
must take
many small
steps (Helmut
Schmidt)