



# AGTECH Connections

The newsletter of the Australian Technology  
& Agricultural College (RTO #45556)

*'Connecting the College with the Community'*

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Independent Senior Secondary College for Years 10 to 12  
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## College Founder/CEO

*Dr Narendra Nand*



### Principal's Message

We are very pleased with the new year 10 enrolments who have completed half of term I and are on track to end of term assessments. I am happy with the support provided by the parents who have joined hands with us to provide new experiences for learning in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Career pathways to complete QCE, Certificate II in Business and FSK and a trade certificate have been planned. Students have a range of opportunities to explore and follow their dreams via TAFE or University. We are very thankful to parents who have constantly met with us to discuss the progress, class commitment and general personal development of their child. Parental participation is very crucial in the life experiences and training of young minds to enable them to seriously work toward achieving their personal goals.

Our partnership with OneStop Training, Australian Institute of Arboriculture and North Maclean Community Garden (NMCG) members, enable us to build our community engagement processes to provide opportunities for ATAC students.

About 230 eggplants have survived the draught and heavy rains and they are now flowering. Some NMCG members have been watering, weeding and fertilizing the plants and the fruits are about to set. The hard work of some workers will be paid off with a good harvest which they will sell for a small income.

ATAC is now a Registered Training Organisation (RTO No. 45556) and offers its own Certificate II Business and Certificate II FSK. Hope we can add a few more new courses to provide additional onsite training, in the near future.

### ALL ABOUT ATAC

ATAC is a new not-for-profit senior college which 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. Students learn to become more independent, responsible and respectful as they would be expected to display such behavior at a workplace. Mental health support and behavior management training is provided by ALIVE with a federal government funding of \$15000. Onsite training and mentoring are planned for this year to support our students and staff.

The ATAC Board, staff, students and parents are thankful to the Local member of Federal Parliament for the approval of the grant to support ATAC. Thanks to the Office of Bert van Manen MP, Chief Government Whip and Federal Member for Forde.



## Gary Suthers

*English, Humanities and Agricultural Science Teacher*

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your child at ATAC. The middle of term one has come and gone, and exam time will be here in four weeks! All students have been learning different aspects of English, in grade ten we have reading the novel “Two Wolves” and discussing the themes and issues that are presented by the author Tristan Banks. The year elevens are looking at the world of work and how to write resumes and cover letters. Charities that deal with real life issues and how they make their messages heard are what the year twelves are studying. A maths website resource has been sent to all students as an adjunct to their usual maths work and will assist them in practicing maths. Friday’s are English grammar and spelling days, with all students doing spelling lists and tests, grammar exercises and sentence and paragraph writing practice. WW11 has been the topic in History and Genes, ethics and inheritance has been the topic in science. So remember to keep focused as we head toward the end of the term, reflect on what you have all achieved so far and keep asking what can I learn next.

## Radhika Behal

*Business Development Manager*

Thank you all those who have been enquiring about enrolment at ATAC. Your expressions of interest are on file and hope you can confirm your enrolment to secure a place at a 50% tuition fee discount. If you or any one you know who wishes to do short courses, please feel free to check our website. You can also contact me; we can help you in enrolment in ACS short courses. We greatly appreciate your fee payment on time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I would be too happy to assist you.

## BUS Timetable

Route 540		Beaudesert to Browns Plains											
		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	540
	am	am	am	am	am	am	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
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 Lindesay 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.

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Monday to Friday													
Route number	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540
	am	am	am	am	am	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
Browns Plains Plaza stop 2B	6.50	7.50	8.40	9.35	10.35	11.35	12.35	1.55	3.15	4.15	5.15	6.15	7.15
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	7.23
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	7.24
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	7.35
Jimboomba, Mount Lindesay 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	7.43
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	7.51
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	7.57
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	8.06

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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



Riley and Jayden year 10 students enjoying lunch with Mr Gary Suthers



Students active in airconditioned computer room for a class



***Racquel Todor and Sophie of Alive Mental Health support program in the first session with ATAC students last week. The program has been funded by the Federal Government and our students and staff have the opportunity to do stress management activities and martial arts for physical and mental wellbeing.***

**Welcome to the Australian Technology &  
Agricultural College E- LEARNING store.  
(FROM ATAC WEBSITE)**

**All courses and resources are provided by ACS  
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online.**

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