



AGTECH Connections

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

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Welcome to North Maclean Campus- Now Open

Australian Technology & Agricultural College, a not-for-profit independent senior college located in North Maclean has embarked into agricultural/horticultural sectors. ATAC has an agricultural and technical focus and our primary aim is to support the local and regional primary production by sustainable methods for long-term life skills development and potential jobs or small business enterprises. Multi-million-dollar production systems can be developed in small areas of poor soils which can be utilised for intensive horticultural and agricultural productions with modern technologies and innovations. ATAC staff and Board members are highly qualified and experienced to teach and support agricultural/horticultural life skills for leisure, a side income or a great business. We also have an interest in Australian Native plants and animals (Bushfoods/medicinal plants). Students, parents and interested volunteers are encouraged to take an active role and learn as many skills as possible.

All parents have been contacted in the last few weeks to explain some classroom policies and procedures for effective learning and teaching. Thanks to those parents who fully support the basic and necessary procedures for effective academic achievement. Our flexible curriculum which is approved by QCAA, is designed to ensure that students will successfully complete their QCE and also



develop trade and business skills. Students do their English Communication, Pre-Vocational Maths and Business & IT (CERT II) from Monday to Wednesday and on Thursdays most students are on work experience. We are working hard to ensure that the few remaining students will soon be placed into work experience or at TAFE for completion of basic requirements before work placements. While some students are still at work experience or apprenticeships on Fridays, few are at the College preparing for job-readiness and are involved in development of personal and social skills through participation in excursions and outdoor or indoor group activities. We are fully committed to ensure that every student will achieve success in their career of choice well before they graduate for QCE.

Our business partners in SBAs (School Based Apprenticeships), RTO's, apprenticeship service providers, professional personal development sectors and local businesses is growing day by day and the network is bringing-in great interest into the mission and vision of ATAC. We welcome more people to join our network and support young people into the urgently needed skilled workforce.

A very warm welcome to Mr David Seymour, our Business teacher, who will be sharing his expertise in business management with our students.

Administration Officer

Donna Corben

We have immense pride here at ATAC knowing that our Staff & Students understand the importance of projecting that they are part of a positive and focused school culture and environment. Should

you have any concerns please contact us at admin@atac.qld.edu.au

Business & Services Manager

Wanshika Rai

We would like all parents and guardians to provide us with any changes to their information. These include changes to residential addresses, phone numbers and specific student details. It is very important that we have the most current information.

We are participating in “Coles – sports for schools” program this year and would like parents to collect vouchers when shopping at Coles. I kindly request that all vouchers be handed in at the administration. This would help us in providing students with various sporting equipment.

Upcoming Events

Parent/Teacher Night
24th April – 3:30 to 7pm

Services at ATAC

Thanks to Megan D’ Alessandro from MRAEL Ace Apprenticeships centre for providing her services to ATAC. She will be speaking at ATAC on 23rd March 2018 at 8:30-9:00am about apprenticeship processes. Parents and guardians are also invited.



ATAC supports PM’s Call (16 March, 2018)



ATAC supporting Coles Sports for Schools Project. Please drop your vouchers at ATAC to support us.



Gardens designed by Gary Nahrung ready for planting seedlings with some young plantings in the background



ATAC students Billy, Marty, Andy and Aaron investigating the problem in a van donated by David Baty of Roundhouse WORKSHOP in North Maclean.



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ATAC students: Billy, Marty, Aaron & Andrew with Gary Nahrung at South East QLD Expo (Jimboomba) on Friday 16th March.

Limited spaces!!

Enrolling Now for 2018! Enjoy small classes and hands on activities

Please share with Family & Friends!
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