



Cnr Homestead Dve & Poinciana Dve
 Flagstone QLD 4280
 Subscribe: <https://flagstonescc.schoolzineplus.com/subscribe>

Email: principal@flagstonescc.eq.edu.au
 Phone: 07 5547 9333
 Fax: 07 5547 9300



24 October 2018

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL



Mrs Fox:

You will have received information recently about the passing away of Mrs Fox on Sunday 21 October.

Mrs Fox died after a short battle with a very aggressive illness, and despite their best efforts, the specialists were not able to save her. It seems incredible that she was running an assembly just two weeks ago.

Mrs Fox founded this school. She started working on this school in 2001, setting it up to open at the start of 2002. Mr Ludlow, Mr Henry (groundsman) and I are the three remaining foundation staff members. She oversaw the building of the main school while we were working in demountable buildings which stood where the hall now stands. Throughout her time at this school, she oversaw tragedy and triumph (her latest triumph being the successful securing of the new buildings currently under construction), and she oversaw the great amount of changes that have occurred in the education system during this time. She has been a great supporter for the progression of career paths for her staff, with many teachers who started at the school now holding Deputy Principal, Head of Department, HOSSES and other leadership positions within Education Queensland.

She has also been a great advocate for students, constantly having meetings with parents and students to support them and provide guidance, as well as giving strong messages about their requirements as students of the school. Mr Fox has asked me to pass on a message to all staff and students about Mrs Fox. He said:

“Jude shared a lot of her ups and downs at work with me. There were challenges but so many more highlights and victories that she would tell me and her eyes would light up when she told me. She loved always being able to laugh with teachers, students and parents and just absolutely loved her job. She was so proud of her community.”

This is how her staff perceived Jude as well. She was always supportive of students, parents and staff and she will be missed. I would like to thank the Flagstone community for their outpouring of support and offers of help. The staff and students are very thankful for this support. Education Queensland was also enormous in their support of the school in this tough time, with support staff in the form of Senior Guidance Officers, Deputy Principals (from Flagstone SS and Jimboomba SS), front office staff from Greenbank SS and other staff. This allowed our staff to go about our business while being able to be supported. Students and staff were also grateful for the support of Mr Wonson, Mr Somerville, Mr Miles and Mrs Kinging, all ex-staff of ours who were able to come back and support our students and staff yesterday. Students also had and will continue to have support provided over the coming days and weeks.

While this week is a period of intense feelings and emotions, I feel that it is appropriate to share the following statement I made to the students yesterday on the whole school parade.

“But please remember what Mrs Fox would want. She would want us all to be in class, focusing on our learning and doing our best to succeed. She would want you to make sure that you were respecting yourself and each other during your learning, and you were being respectful of your school, both here and in the community. She would also want you to look after yourself, ensuring that if you need support in the next couple of days, that you get it. She would also want you to look after your fellow students, who may be dealing with these next few days in a

different way than you, and to look after the staff, all of whom need your support now.”

Our students demonstrated this in spades yesterday and I hope they will continue this great effort and behaviour for the coming days, weeks and months.

If you feel that your student is struggling about the enormity of this situation, please contact Narelle McDonald, our guidance officer, or Ms MaNamara (Year 7-9), or Mrs Krause (Year 10 -12). The DPs and I are also happy to have a conversation with you as well.

On Thursday 11 October, I had the pleasure of accompanying Lauren Burns, Larni Williams and Lachlan Charteris as guest of local state member Charis Mullen to Parliament House in the city. Despite the wet and windy weather, we were able to visit the parliamentary chambers, stand in the middle of ‘the green’ (where all the politicians talk to the media) and enjoyed lunch on the rooftop outdoor area with a number of other school leaders from the Jordan electorate. It was a fabulous experience for all and it was great to sit and talk to these three excellent Year 12 students about their schooling and their future.

The next couple of weeks are very busy as we lead towards Year 12 graduation. At present, we have many staff busily preparing for the annual awards evening, which is to be held on November 5, as well as the sports awards evening, to be held the Friday before (November 2). After these events, the Year 12 students will be moving into their final exam block, before the graduation ceremony on November 15 and the Formal on the same night. It promises to be an extremely busy period of time for the Year 12 students, as well as a period of mixed emotion between not wanting to say goodbye to their schooling and wanting to go out into the big world.

Senior leaders are currently being finalised. While we have identified our new school captains for next year, we are still finalising heads of house, arts captains, sporting captains and indigenous captains. All of these students will be taking the reins officially at the Awards evening, but the new school captains and indigenous captains will be leading whole school assemblies from Monday 29 October.

Our Community Education Counsellor Aunty Justine has organised a very special activity in recognition of the NAIDOC 2018 theme “Because of her, we can”, which recognises the importance of women in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. Our female indigenous students have invited one ‘strong woman’ who is important in their lives to a morning tea at the school on Thursday 25 October. Also invited were local elders to share their stories and have a yarn. As a thank you, Aunty Justine has created a booklet of important Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in history to share, and it is a great read.

I would like to welcome back to our school Ms Harradine, who has returned from leave. I know she is excited to come back and has been working hard (as the original Year 12 coordinator) with Ms Callaghan (current Year 12 coordinator) to make the Year 12 graduation a special event.

Mr Somerville, Head of Department Engagement, left us on Friday 19 October to undertake a position at Runcorn State

High School, where he will lead the implementation of a baseball program. Mr Somerville has been with us for a number of years now, and has been a highly valuable member of the school team. He has undertaken numerous leadership positions while at Flagstone, including Year Coordinator, Dean of Students, Head of Department HPE, and finally Head of Department Engagement (Year 9 and 10). Throughout his time, he has shown great dedication to the job, and has always been a great ambassador and advocate for our students. He will be missed by our school and wider community.

Greg Coleman
Acting Principal

MESSAGES FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL, CURRICULUM LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING



2019 Year 8 and 9 Subject Selection

We are in the process of reviewing your children’s subject selection requests for next year. As part of this process, we are notifying parents whose students’ resource scheme payments are still outstanding. Subject selection for students with outstanding fees will not be finalised until payments are complete. Students with fully paid fees will be placed in classes immediately.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Business Manager, Anna MacDonald on 5547 9333.

First Time... Every Time... with Respect

Flagstone State Community College revisited the concept First Time, Every Time with Respect with our students recently. This saying refers to the need for all students to follow the instructions of any and all staff at FSCC so that we can ensure they are learning in a safe and supportive environment. Parents can help their children to follow this rule by reinforcing the need for students to understand that school is a place to learn. While we welcome questions and discussions, these should be done in a respectful manner at a suitable time, such as at the end of a lesson.

Aerosol Deodorants

These items are banned at Flagstone State Community College because they are a safety hazard to the health of some students and staff who suffer from asthma or other respiratory illnesses. For this reason, please provide your young people with roll on deodorants to use at school. Students will have aerosol deodorants confiscated if found in their possession. Thank you for supporting our school to ensure your children can learn in a safe and healthy environment.

Carol Burke
Deputy Principal

CREATIVE ARTS NEWS



The Creative Arts department has a busy term with a number of events that have already taken place or are coming up in the next few weeks.

The Instrumental Music Program at Flagstone has had a very successful year. The Stage Band was awarded Silver, and the Show Band Bronze at Fanfare and we

received excellent results at the Brisbane Bands Festival. The hard work from students was showcased at the Band Night on Thursday 11th October. Students from the Show Band and Stage Band performed in front of friends and family a number of pieces they have been working on throughout the year. Students formed smaller ensembles including the Saxophone Ensemble, Junior and Senior Ensemble, Junior and Senior Drum Line, Senior Quartet. Each student prepared and performed with maturity and professionalism and they should be very proud of their efforts.

On Thursday the 18th of October we had a number of students perform at Logan Idol. We were proud of the skill and enthusiasm they showed and how they represented our school. With six schools competing this year, our students performed at a high level and displayed their commitment to the Creative Arts.

Coming up we have raDiANCE, on the 24th of October. We are excited to see our talented Dance students perform work that is both class work and pieces that students have created themselves. Check flexischools for ticket availability.

In week 5 some of our amazing music students will perform as part of Vocal Night. This will take place on the Friday and more information will be available over the next week.

Our Creative Arts Extension class also have their class performance on the 23rd of November. The class has written their own performance which utilises elements of Dance, Visual Art, Drama and Music. This performance will be open to the family and friends of this cohort.

During week 2 we also had a number of talented Year 6 students audition for our revamped Performing Arts Excellence class. This class will work together in 2019 to hone their skills within the Performing Arts and will take part in number of workshops to build their competence in these subjects. We look forward to working with these students in 2019.

We wish all families and students the best over the next few weeks of Term 4.

Christina Sanderson
HOD Arts and IT

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION 2018



On Thursday 11th October, five students from the Year 11 Legal Studies class attended the Constitutional Convention at Queensland Parliament House. Shania Gardner, Linlee Dale, Summar Manning, Brody Mould and Rhylee Mould were excellent participants in the convention and represented the school well.

Students began the day with a tour of parliament house. They visited the Legislative Council chamber with its beautiful chandeliers and gold trimmings, the library with Hansard books stacked in shelves up to the ceilings and the Legislative Assembly chamber where students were allowed to sit in the chairs of the parliamentarians.

Next students listened to Dr Peta Stephenson, from QUT, discuss section 44 of the constitution and the many issues it is causing in our current parliament. Dr Stephenson provided valuable insight on this issue and answered all of the students' thoughtful questions. Using this insight on section 44 students formed groups with students from other schools and discussed the issues surrounding section 44 and by the end of the day had made recommendations on how to change the constitution and participated in a mock referendum on the topic.

The highlight of the day was where one representative from each school presented speeches to compete for a place at the National Convention. Shania Gardner proudly represented Flagstone in this competition and delivered a well-researched and thorough speech. Overall the day was a fantastic learning experience for all students involved.



Sally Faint
Music, Legal Studies & Humanities Teacher

JAPANESE NEWS



Japanese Trip

During the September school holidays, twelve adventurous students travelled to Japan, giving them opportunities to engage in deeper learning of Japanese language and culture. The trip was designed to assist students to engage with the language and

culture and also to learn valuable skills including independence, budgeting and planning.

We departed Sunday morning for a full day travelling to Tokyo, spending one day in Tokyo and a very wet day in Disneyland.

Next was our homestay and school program where the students visited Ueda Secondary School in Matsumoto for a

day, joining a cooking class and English class. We were also treated to a calligraphy performance. During the program, students stayed with some elderly couples and enjoyed the country lifestyle, visiting a mountain and two farms.

After our escape from the city life, we headed for Hiroshima, expecting to feel the brunt of a typhoon. Luckily we only experienced some winds and rain but the students enjoyed a rest day at our hostel. The time was not wasted, however, as students were given the task of planning our routes for the following three days.

In our final days, we were able to visit Miyajima Island, Hiroshima Peace Park, Kinkakuji (Golden Temple) and other interesting sites in Kyoto.

Students and teachers alike were glad for the few days' rest at the end of the trip before returning to school on Monday.



Study Tour

We once again welcomed Iwata Secondary School from Japan for a brief visit in our second week of term four. Students were able to learn English in formal lessons and in real circumstances with their buddies during breaks and regular classes. Students also attended specialised lessons and were farewelled on Friday afternoon with a lunch and presentation with their buddies. These interactions are invaluable for both our students and the visiting students, where students gain knowledge and understanding of language and culture.

Thank you to the community members who also welcomed the students into their homes for homestay.

Rena Duffy
Japanese Teacher

SCIENCE NEWS



Welcome to the last Science newsletter for the year. By the time of publication, we will soon be saying good-bye to the Year 12 students. These students have worked really hard this year and deserve the hard-earned results they have obtained. The newsletter this month outlines what the students have been doing in Science

across the term.

The Year 7 students have been exploring space and seasonal changes on Earth. They have examined the planets, solar and

lunar eclipses and the phases of the moon. The students then moved their attention to the Earth's tilt highlighting the seasonal differences of Australia to the northern hemispheres. This term really engaged students and produced a lot of excitement to finish off their first year at our College.

The Year 8 students have investigated the planet Earth and how it changes over time. This involves understanding the rock cycle and how it forms the different types of rocks. Rocks tell the history of the Earth and also contain valuable resources that we use for everyday purposes from housing, furniture, cosmetics etc. Future careers in mining and resource management will be important to Australia's future and an understanding of this is important for all Australians. Students are currently investigating growing crystals to simulate the processes of rock formation that occur in lava, volcanoes and in the Earth's mantle.

The Year 9 students have faced the more destructive powers of our world, looking into the Earth's structure, volcanoes and earthquakes. Each student chose a specific natural disaster to research in more depth and write an essay on the cause and effect this had on the surrounding population and environment, as well as looking into the chances of this occurring again. After completing their research most students seemed profoundly relieved that we do not have volcanoes in Australia. This new information will lead them into their last year of science before they can choose to take on a more specific area of science in Year 11 and 12.

Throughout this term, the Year 10 students have been examining the global systems and the factors that influence change within our environment. They have been evaluating the human impacts on each of these systems and have explored ways to be better global citizens in relation to the Earth and the unique ecosystems. The students will also be involved in an individual inquiry into an area of space that they are curious about. They are expected to develop a research question and share their findings with the rest of their class.

2018 has been a successful year for our Year 11 Biology students. Students finished the year looking at reproduction of plants and animals and genetics and inheritance. Students enjoyed learning more about why we are all so different, despite sharing 99% of the same genes as the person next to them. Meanwhile the Year 11 Science in Practice students have been learning about Biological Diseases, whilst the Chemistry students investigated Energy and Thermochemistry. I wish all of the students the same success in 2019 for their final year.

Our Year 11 and 12 Physics students have been studying the force and science behind rollercoasters. 22 of our Senior Physics students went to Movie World with Mr Sen and Mr McMaster to gather schematics/data from a number of rides to assist them with their roller coaster unit this term. All the students had a great time and a lot of them tried multiple rides multiple times... they definitely made the most of their time there.



Our other Year 12 Senior Science students have been working tirelessly to finish off their final year to the best of their ability. The Biology students have been investigating the Theory of Evolution. Our Chemistry students are finishing with looking at energy changes in a chemical reaction and how some reactions can be reversed. The Science in Practice students have finished the year investigating the Natural Disasters. I would like to wish all our senior students the best for the future and I hope they have enjoyed their Senior Science years

Jessica Ragg
Acting Science HOD

FROM THE PBL TEAM



One strength about our PBL team here at FSCC is that we brainstorm and implement lots of effective strategies to make our school the best possible learning environment for staff and students. We would like to share one of the strategies that we are implementing in Term 4.

Each week we plan and deliver a 'Flagstone Focus' lesson to explicitly teach positive, respectful and socially acceptable behaviours. The lessons are delivered by staff and students on full school parades, which are then explored in more detail during year level parades and classes throughout the week. This term, we are having students focus on their own individual behaviours and explore the little things that they can do to make their classroom and learning environments more positive, safe and successful for everyone. This includes: raising their hand to speak, staying in their seat and being courteous and polite to students and staff.

Please keep an eye out on our school Facebook page and our electronic noticeboard about what the Flaggy Focus is each week.

Have a great Term 4!

Janelle Whatmore
Master Teacher

WORLD AUXILIARY STAFF DAY

World Auxiliary Staff Day is an Annual event held each year to acknowledge the hard-work and compassion demonstrated by our support staff. This year at Flagstone State Community College, the Year 11 BCT class worked hard to ensure the day would be memorable and enjoyable for the attendees to show how they are appreciated by both the students and teachers at our school.

Each student in the class took part in organising a morning tea event for the staff, which was hosted in the school resource centre. The organisation of the event was led by Molly Beazley, who did an excellent job in delegating tasks, ensuring deadlines were met, and communicating with administration staff. Teams were formed within the class to split the organisation into categories including: catering, decoration, gifts, certificates, invitations, logistics, entertainment and RSVP lists. Each team did an exemplary job in creating a special event for the attendees, with a guest performance from the talented Geolesna Howard-Tauhiki.

In summary, the event ran smoothly and was enjoyable for everyone involved, and as such the Year 11 BCT class hopes to make the upcoming World Teachers Day just as special for the teaching staff.

By: Ben O'Hara (student FSCC)



JAKE EGAN AND COREY HOLGATE TOURNAMENT

Over the weekend, Jake Egan and Corey Holgate attended the Oceania Mulimpia International Tournament, representing the Swordsmen Martial Arts Club. They started the competition with a demonstration of their skills. Jake went on to win 3 gold medals and Corey won 3 gold and one silver medal. Corey broke the club record for the highest "front jump kick" of 260cm, and was victorious over his black belt opponent in the sparring, who was 2 belts higher than him. Congratulations to both of the boys for their hard work.

By Mrs Megan Egan



FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICER



GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY NEWS

GriffithBUSINESS Year 10 and 11 Ambassador Workshop

Wednesday 24, Thursday 25 and Friday 26 October

Year 10 and 11 students with an interest in business are invited to join us on campus for our final workshop for the year. Hosted by Griffith Business School, the day commences with a lecture presentation followed by an interactive group activity.

Students from a number of schools work collaboratively, concluding the day with a group presentation. Attendance is free with lunch supplied.

Gold Coast campus - Wednesday 24 October

Logan campus - Thursday 25 October

Nathan campus - Friday 26 October

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5893

GUESTS applications are now open for Trimester 1, 2019

GUESTS On-campus and Online applications are currently open to motivated Year 11 students wanting to sample university life, learn from industry leaders and stretch their academic boundaries. Students can apply to undertake a Level 1 course from most Griffith programs. Once they successfully complete their GUESTS course they may be eligible for 2 adjustments when applying for admission to Griffith programs, and credit transfer once they commence a related program. Year 11's can apply now for Trimester 1, 2019 intake - applications close **30 October 2018**.

Further information and the application form can be found below.

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5894

Griffith Film School GUESTS - December 2018 program

The closing date for applications for the Griffith Film School December GUESTS courses has been extended to 12 November 2018. Open to OP/ATAR eligible Year 11 students,

and taught in intensive mode by our lecturers, these courses provide an authentic introduction to our Animation, and Film and Screen Media Production courses at the Griffith Film School.

The courses on offer for December are:

1108GFS Principles of Animation (Trimester 3, intensive mode, commences 3 December 2018)

1701GFS Introduction to Screen Production (Trimester 3, intensive mode, 3 December 2018)

Further information and the application form can be found below.

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5894

New degree - Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours)

This program provides an understanding of the principles, practices and ethics involved in construction management in a global context. Students learn the principles of built environment, construction sustainability, project development, construction materials and site operations, and develop knowledge and skills in core construction business areas including construction estimating, tendering, planning and procurement, with a strong focus on ICT applications.

Graduates are prepared for work on construction projects with a coherent body of knowledge in construction and building practices, including an in-depth understanding of various topics influencing the construction business environment.

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5895

OP to ATAR - VET qualifications and the ATAR

How will standalone VET qualifications be assessed for admission for school leavers in 2020? Griffith will always encourage all High School students to complete their ATAR, particularly as a VET qualification (Certificate III or higher) can now be included in the calculation of an ATAR. Students with a VET qualification will still be expected to meet the English pre-requisite which applies to all our degrees and for 2021 this will be a minimum grade of C in Units 3 and 4 in one of English, Literature, English and Literature Extension or English as an Additional Language. We would also encourage students to study the subject areas that are assumed knowledge for their preferred degree.

Students with a standalone VET qualification will be able to apply for a wide range of Griffith degrees and we will provide further information as soon as we can.

For further information contact domesticadmissions@griffith.edu.au or go online to the link below.

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5899

Griffith Business School scholarships can help fund your studies

Griffith Business School offers a suite of Business scholarships, prizes and awards to support and encourage student with their studies. The Pro Vice Chancellor (Business) Academic Excellence Scholarship is just one example, and is for high achieving school leavers who are applying for full-time admission into a Griffith Business School undergraduate program, and is valued at up to \$15,000-\$20,000.

Search 'Business and Government' at our scholarships webpage.

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5897

Campus tours

Students can join us on a free 45 minute campus tour and experience life at Griffith. They will be able to take a look at our lecture theatres, teaching rooms and some of the many state-of-the-art facilities and amenities we offer.

Gold Coast campus

Mondays at 11 am and Fridays at 1 pm

Nathan campus

Tuesdays at 11 am and Fridays at 1 pm

https://ask.secure.griffith.edu.au/rd?1=AvMs~wpsDv8S~xb~Gv9K~yKSVf0qldL7glxmrD7~Pv_v&2=5896

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND NEWS

Key Dates

UQ Academic Scholarships deadline, Friday 16 November

OP Results Advice Night, Monday 17 December

UQ Law Scholarship - apply now

The TC Beirne School of Law Scholarship is open to students enrolling in a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) or related dual program who can demonstrate academic merit and significant financial need.

Applications for the TC Beirne School of Law Scholarship will close on Friday 22 February 2019.

<https://support.future-students.uq.edu.au/rd?1=AvM4~wpbDv8S~xb~Gv9~yLDjfkqqdL7glwwrD7~Pv~5&2=17177>

The Science Experience - apply now

Students in Years 9-10 in 2019 are invited to apply for the Conocophillips Science Experience held at the UQ St Lucia campus from Wednesday 23 - Friday 25 January 2019, this event gives students the opportunity to test-drive careers in Science, and explore the study pathways to become a researcher, scientist, educator and more! Applications close on Tuesday 30 October.

<https://support.future-students.uq.edu.au/rd?1=AvM4~wpbDv8S~xb~Gv9~yLDjfkqqdL7glwwrD7~Pv~5&2=17167>

Moreton Bay Research Station Open Day - save the date

On Saturday 24 November, UQ's Moreton Bay Research Station host its annual Open Day on site at the UQ Station on North Stradbroke Island, the day is free and includes discovery cruises, live animal show, art workshops and research talks.

<https://support.future-students.uq.edu.au/rd?1=AvM4~wpbDv8S~xb~Gv9~yLDjfkqqdL7glwwrD7~Pv~5&2=17168>

Queensland Mathematics Summer School - register now

The Queensland Mathematics Summer School at UQ (QMSS) is a five-day program from Monday 21 - Friday 25 January 2019 for mathematically talented current Year 10 students planning to study Year 11 Mathematical Methods and Specialist Mathematics in 2019. More than just a summer camp, QMSS is an exciting opportunity to meet a wide variety of people who share a common love of learning and passion for mathematics. Students will learn about the beauty of advanced mathematical ideas and be exposed to new ways of thinking. At QMSS, students can explore undergraduate and even graduate-level topics while building problem-solving skills that will help them in any field they choose to study.

<https://support.future-students.uq.edu.au/rd?1=AvM4~wpbDv8S~xb~Gv9~yLDjfkqqdL7glwwrD7~Pv~5&2=16864>

Taste test life as a Pharmacy student - book now

The School of Pharmacy, located at our Pharmacy Australia Centre of Excellence (PACE), provides hands-on, interactive workshops and tours of the state-of-the-art facilities for high school students. These on-campus experiences provide students with knowledge of what Pharmacists actually do, and what life as a UQ Pharmacy student looks like. Tours and workshops at PACE are provided free of charge, and can be arranged by contacting the UQ School Liaison team at school.liaison@uq.edu.au

<https://support.future-students.uq.edu.au/rd?1=AvM4~wpbDv8S~xb~Gv9~yLDjfkqqdL7glwwrD7~Pv~5&2=17179>

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND NEWS

Parents' Guide to Uni Podcast Series

USQ School Engagement team have launched the Parents' Guide to Uni Podcast series. This initial seven episode podcast series is designed to help you understand university so that you can support your child or children when they are deciding what to do after school. You'll hear from parents, academics, career practitioners and students. Episodes one and two are available now, with more being added weekly.

Accelerated Entry Pathway Program

Current Year 12 students (both OP and non-OP) can prepare for university study by undertaking the free Accelerated Entry Pathway Program (AEPP) at USQ over the summer semester. On successful completion of the AEPP, students will be eligible to apply for a wide range of undergraduate programs at USQ. Please visit our website for further information or to book a presentation to your Year 12s in Term 4, please contact the

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY NEWS

SAVE THE DATE - CHANGE OF PREFERENCE EVENTS

To help students make choices, we will run a Change of Preference and Drop in Session.

Event Date: Monday, 17 December
 Event Time: 9 am - 1 pm
 Location: [CQUniversity Brisbane](#), 160 Ann Street

ONLINE CHAT SESSIONS

For anyone not able to drop in to the campus, or who have questions that can't wait, we are holding a series of online chats including:

Tuesday 27 November, 3 - 6 pm
 Saturday 15 December, 8 am - 1 pm

Students can talk to our friendly staff on Facebook Messenger or call us on 13 27 86. Register below to receive reminders and instructions on how to join.
[Register Now >>](#)

SCHOLARSHIPS - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Now, while students are completing their university applications, is a great time to consider scholarships. Here are a few that should be on your radar.
[VC's SUN Pathway Scholarship](#) - \$2,000 scholarship for first year students who have completed study in CQUni's SUN program as a pathway to university.
[VC's CQUniConnect Scholarship](#) - \$2,000 scholarship for first year students who have graduated from a high school and have participated in the 2018 CQUniConnect or BROLGA program
 VC's VET Scholarship - \$2,000 scholarship for a student enrolling in a VET Certificate IV or Diploma course
 There are also a range of equity, location and subject area scholarships – students can apply for multiple scholarships. Visit the Scholarship portal for more information and to apply.
[Scholarships Portal >>](#)

DEALING WITH EXAM STRESS

- [Stress Swaps](#) – these handy swaps can help students avoid getting bogged down with procrastination and stress while they study (Netflix still included!)
- [Five apps](#) to help manage study stress – including digital diaries, meditation, motivation and more
- [Brain food](#) – students can feel their best and feed their brain with healthy food choices that support brain activity
- [Have Plan B in your back pocket](#) – realising too late that a prerequisite is missing or the score needed for your dream course isn't realistic is a sinking feeling. We can help your students prepare a range of options by choosing their [TAC preferences strategically](#) and by considering [STEPS](#) to pick up any last minute entry requirements.

FREE TAFE FOR YEAR 12 GRADUATES



To support Year 12 graduates to successfully transition to employment, the Queensland Government offers free tafe in high priority qualifications.

Free tafe is available through a range of apprenticeships and traineeships, as well as other vocational education and training (VET) certificate courses.

Why do it?

Free tafe gives Year 12 graduates a career kick-start without the financial burden of student contribution fees.

While completing a qualification, students gain experience in the workplace learning the skills employers need – giving them a competitive edge in the job market.

Who is eligible?

- To be eligible for free tafe, graduates must:
- hold a senior statement issued by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority or equivalent certification
 - enrol and start an apprenticeship, traineeship or training with an approved training provider in a high priority qualification by 31 December the year after graduating (e.g. 2018 graduates have up until 31 December 2019)
 - permanently reside in Queensland.

What courses are available?

VET courses cover a range of industry areas – from engineering and automotive, to horticulture, hospitality and community services.

Free tafe, however, only applies to the apprenticeships, traineeships and qualifications up to certificate III level identified as high priority.

High priority qualifications develop the skills most needed by employers and the Queensland economy, and are based on skills demand, advice from industry and whether the qualification will lead to employment. View the list of current high priority qualifications at [training.qld.gov.au/tafe/tafe](#)

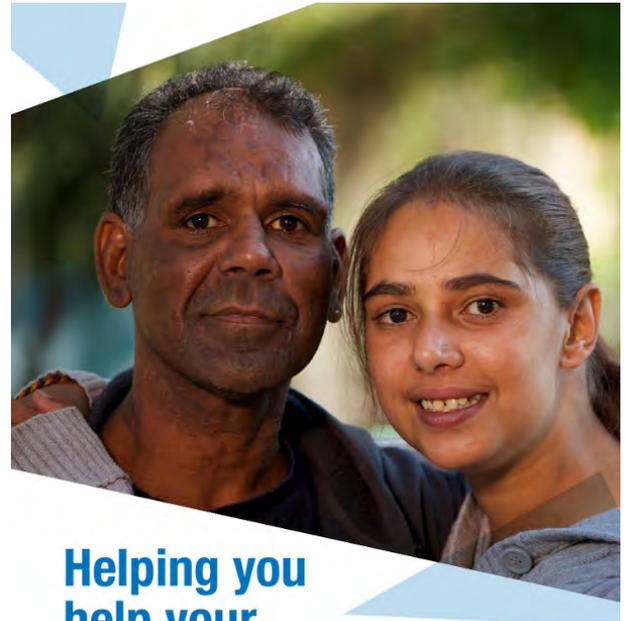
What is free?

The Queensland Government will cover the full cost of tafe in a high priority qualification delivered under this initiative. This means eligible Year 12 graduates will not pay any student contribution fees for their qualification. Graduates may incur related costs, such as uniform and resource costs for apprentices and trainees.

Important information

Free tafe for Year 12 graduates is available through two Queensland Government programs – the Certificate 3 Guarantee and User Choice.

Consider your options carefully before committing to a course as this may exhaust entitlement to further Queensland Government subsidised training. For more on other subsidised training options, visit [training.qld.gov.au/fundedtraining](#)



Helping you help your teenager

ReachOut Parents Coaching

It's easy to get started:
[ReachOut.com/Parents/Coaching](#)



LOGAN COUNCIL SCHOOL LEAVER GUIDE

<https://www.logan.qld.gov.au/careers/school-leaver-guide>

WOMEN IN DEFENCE – Challenge Yourself Experience 8-9 Nov 18



CHALLENGE YOURSELF EXPERIENCE TOUR

When: Thursday 9th to Friday 10th November 2018
 Where: Defence Force Recruiting Brisbane, Level 13, 295 Ann St, Brisbane & Gallipoli Barracks, Lloyd St, Enoggera

What's involved:
 'Challenge Yourself' is an overnight adventure experience creating an opportunity for students to immerse themselves in the ADF lifestyle to understand whether a career in the ADF is something they wish to pursue after school.

Thursday	0800	Students arrive Defence Force Recruiting, Ann St, Brisbane
9 th November 2018	0810	Brief by Women in Defence (WID) team
	0900	Attitude testing/VOU session
	1130	Lunch
	1230	Bus to Gallipoli Barracks
	1300	Weapons Simulation Experience
	1500	Opportunity for students to discuss their available pathways with our Career Counsellors
Friday	1600	Combat mentoring by WID team
	1800	Dinner at mess
	1900	Movie night – Wonder Woman
10 th November 2018	0700	Breakfast
	0800	Overwater Obstacles Course
	1000	End of activity brief with the Women in Defence team
	1030	Event concludes - Students to make their own way home

Who can attend?
 Female Students aged 16.5yrs and over
 Must not have already started an application, currently in the application process or sat a VOU session
 Students must show an interest in finding out more about jobs in the ADF

How to get involved:
 Contact your school Guidance Officer and they nominate you for this opportunity with Defence Force Recruiting.

For more information:
 Phone: 07 3016 2425
 Email: wid@dfrc.com.au

CALL 13 19 01 OR VISIT [DEFENCE.JOBS.GOV.AU](#)



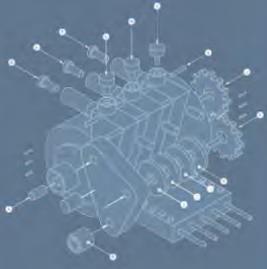
ENROLLING NOW FOR JANUARY 2019

Ever wondered about what it would be like to have a Career as an Engineer in Electronics or working on Planes, Helicopters and Jet Engines ?

Aviation Australia has course options you are looking for.

Places left for JANUARY 2019 - courses

LIKE TO TOUR THE FACILITIES, CONTACT US TO ARRANGE A TIME



AVIONICS & MECHANICAL

WELCOME ON BOARD!

We have (3) options to choose from
Avionics
Mechanical
Structures - Mechanical



Just one of the two world class training facilities you will be touring in on the night.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Aviation Australia has State of the Art Technical Training facilities. World Class Hangars and a comprehensive range of workshops, training aides, aircraft and simulators. Our instructors are from all areas of Aviation sectors including Aerospace industries.

Narelle McDonald
Guidance Officer

CHAPLAINCY NEWS



Roma Trip 2018

13 of our students from Years 9-12 boarded a Budget bus and travelled to Roma, Injune and Mitchell in week 10 of term 3. We travelled to Injune SS on Wednesday where our students ran small group programs with the whole school – Prep to Year 9. We then travelled to Mitchell

SS where we joined in the Paint the Town REaD celebrations in the morning and ran our small group activities in the afternoon. Paint the Town REaD was a great experience as the whole town supported the school's literacy initiatives setting up displays and reading to the students, literally, in the streets.

Huge congratulations to our students who showed great initiative, commitment, community spirit and worked together in a cooperative and collaborative spirit.



Our next venture is the Christmas Appeal. We are hoping to work with **Stuff the Bus** again this year to distribute our contributions.

Loretta Tyler-Moss
Chaplain

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS



Basketball Shorts Size XS ONLY on sale for \$10 each while stocks last.

Beat the back to school rush in January by popping in and getting all your back to school uniform supplies early.

Lay-by available, 8 week payment plan makes it easier on the family budget.

Flexischool is also available. When purchasing from the uniform shop, please bring your own bag.

OPENING HOURS: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8am until 10.30am

Cathy Hicks
Uniform Shop Convenor

CANTEEN NEWS



Welcome to term 4 and our Summer Menu.

We are proud to be offering a large range of fruit, salads, sandwiches, wraps and focaccias each day. If we don't have exactly what you are looking for, try ordering through Flexischools so we can make exactly what you are after.

Have you tried our Build a Burger day? You start with either our New Zealand Beef Pattie or crumbed chicken breast and add anything and everything you could imagine. We have lettuce, tomato, cheese, cucumber, carrot, beetroot, pineapple, avocado, fried egg, or bacon. And to top it all off, we have our new bread rolls fresh from the bakery. These things are so big we have trouble fitting them in the bag! We have hamburgers available over the counter on Mondays and Thursdays but if you're after any of the extras, you will need to order through Flexischools.

Our pizza days are now Wednesday and Friday's and they sell out quickly. We have barbeque chicken, bacon and cheese, ham and cheese and Hawaiian.

Lastly, if there is anything that we don't currently offer that you would like to see please don't hesitate to contact us 5547 9372.

