Welcome back for the commencement of another great term at Sunnybank High.

Thank you to all who visited our school and joined in our 50th birthday celebrations at the end of term one. It was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with friends and teachers.

ANZAC Day Thursday 25 April
We encourage our student development through the activities and values that promote students to know themselves, connect with others and make a difference in our world. These principles are reinforced through the values of respect, responsibility and readiness. Every one of these concepts is evident in the ANZAC spirit.

I therefore encourage you and your student to join with the student leaders, staff and other members of our local community to commemorate this special day in our history. The march commences on the corner of Turton Street and Station Road at 7.45 am. All students will need to be in correct formal school uniform. Our student leaders and other students will be among those who lead the community ceremony held at the back of our school oval and the RSL facilities.

Parents and Citizens Association
Thank you to Catherine Pound (President), Cheryl Miller (Vice President) and Annette Seib (Correspondence Secretary) for again volunteering as the executive of the school P&C. Currently our P&C has a vacancy for the positions of Treasurer and Minutes Secretary. If you have the skills and interest in undertaking these honorary positions, please telephone Catherine Pound and discuss how you can help.

All positions are supported with clear guidelines provided by the state wide P&C association and school staff if necessary. The next P&C meeting is 7.00 pm on Tuesday 30 April in the Library. There is child minding available for younger children and as the meeting is held in the Library your secondary age student is welcome to come along and use the Library for their homework and study.

Parent Teacher evening
Each student should by now have received their term one report in the post. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend the parent teacher evening to discuss their student’s progress with classroom teachers on Tuesday 23 April in the Library between 3.00 pm and 7.00 pm. No appointment is necessary.

Enrolments for 2014 are now being undertaken
Enrolments for students entering year 8, 2014 have now commenced. Please contact the school to make an enrolment appointment with a member of administration. We invite all prospective parents to visit our school and see how we can work with you to help your child achieve their dreams.

Tuckshop specials for next week: Tuesday 23 April – Spaghetti and Wednesday 24 April – Fettucini. There is always a bowl of fruit available with in season products.

Diane Hicks
Principal

Thank you to the wonderful sponsors of the 50th anniversary weekend:
BUSINESS AND COMPUTER EDUCATION
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HOD – Business and Computer Education

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Yasin Heidary and Victor Ball
Year 12 Accounting Students

SCIENCE NEWS
Year 11 Biology Excursion
Recently all of the year 11 Biology students enjoyed an excursion to Toohey Forest Education Centre on the grounds of Griffith University.

Field work is a compulsory part of the biology course. Students were able to access a specialist teacher who showed us features of the native bush around the university and lectured on the history of the area.

Students did a lot of hands on testing so we were glad of a refreshing break at the end of the day at the university cafeteria.

We were very proud of the way the students applied themselves and represented the school. Well done biologists!

Ms Aldridge and Ms Joseph
Biology Teachers

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SENIOR VISUAL ART EXCURSION
On 12 March, the year 11 and 12 Visual Art classes went to see the 7th Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art (APT 7) at Southbank.

We first visited the Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA) followed by a relaxing break near the Brisbane River. We then visited the Queensland Art Gallery (QAG).

The train took us to and from the school and Southbank. Overall, it was a fantastic day out for the students of Visual Art as we were inspired by the amazing artworks to create our own art works relating to ‘culture’.

Mei Zhang, Visual Art Student

LOTE CHINESE
Thanks to the great efforts of the senior students of Chinese and Chappy Lucy, the Chinese classroom was one of the major attractions for visitors during the 50th Anniversary celebrations of our school. About 120 visitors including past students from 1963 showed much interest in our display.

The picture featuring Tiffany Shepherd (former student of Chinese) having fun during her visit appeared in the 3 April edition of the Southern Star newspaper.

Ms Cheung, Teacher of Chinese

AUSTRALIA’S FIRST COLOURED COMMEMORATIVE COIN
Limited Edition
Australia’s first commemorative $2 coin in colour has been unveiled by the RSL and the Royal Australian Mint. The coin depicts the red Flanders Poppy.

For a $10 donation, the $2 Poppy Coin will come with a Certificate of Donation. All funds raised go to support vital RSL programs helping thousands of veterans and serving Defence personnel and their families in homes and communities across Australia.

For orders: RSL National Office, Level 3, 65 Constitution Ave, Campbell, ACT, 2612 or phone 02 6248 7199. Please note there will be a minimum postal charge of $5 per coin.

SUNNYBANK HIGH BOOKS FOR SALE
50th Anniversary Golden Jubilee Book
The book details Sunnybank High’s history as well as staff and student photos, and ‘new faces’ and events for each year. The cost is $65.

Sunny Stories
An Anthology of student work in 2012 - $10.

Sunny Creations Cookbook
A collection of recipes that have been tried and tested over many years in our very own school kitchen - $15.

All books can be purchased from the Finance office.

2013 QCT EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARDS
Are you inspired by an excellent teacher?
Nominate a registered Queensland school teacher for an Excellence in Teaching Award. Finalists receive professional development funding, an invitation to participate in an awards presentation and celebrate the profession on World Teachers’ Day, Friday 25 October.

Nominations close 12 July. Forms available from Student Services.

Enquiries: excellence@qct.edu.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Moon Lee Tae Kwon Do
Join now to receive a free uniform offer.
Where: Sunnybank High School Hall
Gager St, Sunnybank
When: Monday and Wednesday
4.30 pm - 5.30 pm

GKR Karate
Build confidence, improve fitness, gain self discipline and learn self defence. Classes for children and adults in the Sunnybank High School Hall. Contact Ivan on 0401 125 748.

Love Your Football? Play AFL!
Griffith Moorooka Australian Football Club is looking for players for 2013. Contact Paul Hockey 0413 302 591

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