Welcome back for term three.

Semester One Results
Our school results in A, B and C results have improved overall by 3% on the same time as in 2012. We are therefore on track to achieve our 2013 goal of a 5% increase. Thanks to all parents who have been working hard with us to ensure students are achieving their personal best.

Recognition Assemblies
The Principal's Awards assemblies that recognise student success in semester one, as well as 100% attendance for semester one, will be held on Tuesday 16 July for years 8 and 9 students and on Thursday 25 July for years 10, 11 and 12. Parents of students who achieved all As, Bs and no more than two Cs for academic, effort and behaviour comments on their semester one report, as well as those who achieved 100% attendance, are invited to attend the assemblies and to remain afterwards for morning tea with their student and staff. Details have been provided in your invitations. We look forward to celebrating our semester one student successes with you.

Parent Teacher Night
Parent Teacher night is next Tuesday evening commencing at 3.00 pm until 7.00 pm in the school library. This is an important opportunity for all parents and caregivers to discuss their student’s progress and strategies for improvement. No appointment is required.

MAAP Lessons for Semester Two
Students have undertaken their MAAP (Monitoring Academic Achievement and Performance) lesson this week. In this lesson, students investigated what type of learner they are and set their goals for each of their subjects with strategies to achieve them.

NAIDOC Week
NAIDOC week was celebrated with a great program of activities for all students to enjoy. Our focus was on celebrating the outstanding contributions of the Indigenous culture in our society and on the great contributions Indigenous people make each day. Included in the activities were regular screenings of programs in the library, a flag raising ceremony, a touch football carnival and a presentation by an Indigenous artist for all our year 8 and 9 students. Thanks to Gil Hatcher and our Student Services team for their great work preparing for this week.

Track Carnival
Well done to all students who participated in our school track carnival on Tuesday. It was a great day and tremendous house spirit ensured keen competition. Age winners will be presented with their trophies on Monday’s assembly. Thanks to the HPE department and other staff who ensured the day ran smoothly.

School Opinion Survey
During the week beginning 22 July, the School Opinion Survey will be conducted with a sample of parents, students in years 8 and 11 and all staff invited to complete the survey. Your responses will assist in planning for 2014.

Farewell Chappy Lucy
Our wonderful Chappy Lucy has decided to return to her first career as a full time teacher, so this week has been her final week with us. Thank you Lucy for your fantastic work at our school. We wish you every success and happiness as you return to the classroom and know that your students will be inspired by you in all your classes. Take care.

Diane Hicks,
Principal
EVERY DAY COUNTS

Attending school every day at Sunnybank High counts for four main reasons:
Every day counts.....because children achieve better when they attend school all day, every day.
Every day counts.....because going to school means getting a better chance at life.
Every day counts.....because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as resilience and teamwork.
Every day counts.....because going to school is a legal requirement.
www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

YEAR 9 JAPANESE FOOD EXPERIENCE

RESOURCE CENTRE

Renovations continue in the library. This term, slatwall panelling will be installed on the shelving and new signage will identify sections to make searching for resources easier. Furniture in Area A will also be replaced so that students will have another comfortable area in which to study.

New books are being purchased all the time. Many of these are student requests. Notices appear in student notices once new books are available for borrowing and the new books are placed in the display in the entrance. Overdue books need to be returned before new books can be borrowed.

Students are reminded that their student ID cards are required to borrow items from the Resource Centre, including the laptop computers during class and lunch breaks.

Students are issued with notices detailing overdue books. If a student needs to keep a book past the due date, please bring the book into the Resource Centre and have the due date extended. Please return books as soon as possible as other students are waiting to read them.

Worldbook online. Students can search for information for assignments. Worldbook Online also assists students in planning assignments and creating their bibliographies. Worldbook Online is available at school and also at home for students and parents. To access Worldbook Online from home, go to: www.worldbookonline.com. The username is sshs, and the password ss4109.

Overdrive. Overdrive is an ebook library. Students can now download the free app on their iphones, ipads or ipods (or androids), and computers. Once the app is downloaded, students can log into the School’s Overdrive account using their student number on their student ID cards. They will then be able to select from a range of ebooks and audiobooks and download them to their device to read or listen to. This is a free service. See staff in the Resource Centre for assistance.

Turnitin. We now subscribe to Turnitin, a program which allows students to check their assignments to make sure they haven’t copied too much information from other sources. This will help students ensure their assignments are their own original work, with reference to sources, and could lead to improved performance in subjects. Students can see their teacher for more information.

Elaine Cobb, Teacher/Librarian

FAREWELL FROM CHAPPY LUCY

It is with much sadness that I announce that I will be moving on this semester from the Chaplaincy role at Sunnybank State High School. I have absolutely loved being here and having the opportunity to connect with such wonderful people in the school community. Before I go, I want to say thank you to the staff, students and parents for your support towards the Chaplaincy program and also for sharing your journey through school with me!

As for where I will be going - I have taken up a position as a secondary teacher at Citipointe Christian College to teach Junior Arts and Christian Studies. As many of you would know, teaching was my original profession and although I thought I’d never return to the teaching world, various experiences through my time in chaplaincy (including being inspired by many teachers here in Sunnybank) have led me back to the classroom.

I am excited about the new journey ahead, but I am also extremely sad to be leaving. It’s a bittersweet departure no doubt! Until we meet again…

Once again thank you for your support and I hope that you will continue to support the Chaplaincy service here at Sunnybank. It is a vital service in the school which is able to serve at its best when with the support of many! Watch this space for when the new Chaplain arrives and please, as you have done so with me, shower the new Chaplain with much love.

I will truly miss the unique work of Chaplaincy and more importantly, the relationships that I’ve built throughout. Many blessings to you and continue to stay safe and enjoy this life that we have been given!

Lucy Lim

SPORTS DAY PHOTOS

Elaine Cobb, Teacher/Librarian
POSITIVE REWARDS TRIP
On the last day of term two, a large group of students enjoyed our positive rewards day. This in an invitation-only event for students who had the majority of their teachers rate them an ‘A’ for effort, behaviour and homework.

This semester’s trip was to Riverlife at the Kangaroo Point cliffs where students abseiled, kayaked on the river or did a cycling tour of the city. Despite the constant rain and cool temperature, it was a fun day out where we got to try a few different things. The semester two trip is usually to a theme park, so keep working hard to make sure you get your invitation.

GRAPHICS STUDENTS VISIT UQ
Late last term, the year 11 and 12 Graphics students spent a day at UQ St. Lucia and were involved in tours, workshops and tutorials run by the Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Information Technology.

In the morning, the students had a campus tour followed by an Architecture workshop where students were required to ‘speed design’ a dwelling that was in response to a randomly selected client and design feature (e.g. a pilot who also has an extensive art collection). Considering the time allocation of two hours, the outputs of the groups (which included physical models) were very impressive. After grabbing some lunch and enjoying it while lounging on the lawns of the Great Court, we got involved in a Graphic Design tutorial. This involved the learning of some new software and then the creation of a poster that ‘visualised a written quote’. It was a great day out to see what happens with Graphics at a tertiary level and we look forward to a similar trip next year.

SUNNYBANK STUDENTS ‘ROLL UP A SLEEVE’
Many thanks to the year 11 and 12 students who donated blood on the first day of term three through the Australian Red Cross Blood Service. All of these donors were ‘first timers’ and will now hopefully become regular blood donors in the future. The next opportunity students will have to donate blood through the school program will be the first week in term four. Details will be in notices towards the end of term three. For more information about the process of blood donation and where and when you can donate visit www.donateblood.com.au

SUNNYBANK HIGH 50th ANNIVERSARY BOOK AND MEMORABILIA FOR SALE
50th Anniversary 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.
Memorabilia
Pencil, ruler, sharpener and eraser set - $4, Coffee mug - $10, Wine glass - $10, Pen - $2.50
All items can be purchased from the Finance office.

WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM
Become a WEP Exchange Student - It’s an adventure!
Imagine swapping that boring old muesli bar for a croissant, and your stuffy school bus for a bike ride through the French countryside! As a WEP exchange student you can choose from over 20 countries to live and study for a summer, semester or even a year! Get started today to plan the experience of your lifetime! Request an information pack - visit: www.wep.org.au, phone: 1300 884 733, email: info@wep.org.au.

SUNNYBANK HIGH COURTS FOR HIRE
Basketball and tennis courts for hire. Phone: 0413 425 229

HOMESTAYS REQUIRED
Are you looking for the opportunity to share your home, our unique Queensland lifestyle, our variety of food and customs?
Consider becoming a Homestay provider for Sunnybank High School’s International Student Program! We are looking for friendly and reliable providers who are able to offer a safe and caring family atmosphere, treat the student as a family member, speak English as their first language, encourage English conversation and be located within easy reach of the school.
You will need a spare private bedroom with wardrobe, student desk and lamp and to provide nutritious meals and snacks each day. Also, you will need a Commission for Children and Young People check (Blue Card) and will receive financial reimbursement ($245 per week).
Please contact: Catherine Pound 3323 8119
International Student Coordinator
Cricos Provider Number: 00608A

NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL
Parents wishing to receive the school eNewsletter please contact Bronwyn Webb - bwebb4@eq.edu.au and notify her along with your details.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF IMPORTANT DATES

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>July 16</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Evening, 3.00 pm to 7.00 pm, Library</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Principal’s Awards - Years 8 &amp; 9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 17-19</td>
<td>Year 8 &amp; 11 Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 23</td>
<td>P&amp;C Meeting 7.00 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 25</td>
<td>Principal’s Awards - Years 10, 11 &amp; 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>District Field Events Carnival</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>