



SUNNYBANK STATE HIGH NEWSLETTER

*Many Ways
to Excellence*

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Congratulations to all involved in our Awards Evening on Wednesday.

This special event celebrated our student successes in academic, sporting and cultural areas of our students and staff and truly demonstrated our "many ways to excellence". Awards for service to the school were also presented to students for their activities in the school over the last year. A list of the special award recipients is included later in this newsletter. Congratulations to all students who were acknowledged for their commitment this year. Guest speaker for the evening was a recently retired teacher, Mr Lloyd Way, who encouraged students through recounting stories of his time as a teacher and sports coach. His message to our audience focused on the choices that we all make each day and the need to make good choices that will enable us to achieve our personal best. Many thanks to our school community for the amazing generosity provided to our students through bursaries and special awards. Your generosity clearly demonstrates the depth of support you provide to Sunnybank High School. Thank you.



School Captains 2014

Congratulations to the School Captains and Vice Captains of 2014 who were announced at Awards Night this week.

They are:

School Captains – Tia Tearoiti and Joseph Muller

School Vice-Captains – Chentelle Mahanga and Calvin Lewis

Other senior student leaders will be announced at assembly on Monday.

Congratulations to all the students and parents who so proudly supported the Spark It Up Team last week. The team of students and parents who supported them certainly showcased the talent in our school. Well done.

Thank you Teachers

Today we celebrate the great work of our teachers on World Teachers' Day. The quality teaching in effect in our classrooms every day has a powerful effect on students. Thank you, teachers, for your work with all our students and your commitment to our school. "A teacher affects eternity; they can never tell where their influence stops." - Henry B. Adams

Diane Hicks, Principal

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2014
Contact the school for an interview - 3323 8111

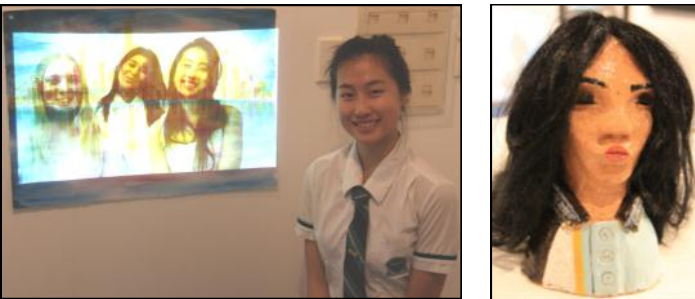
VISUAL ART

Artwaves Excursion

On Thursday 10 October, the year 11 and 12 Visual Art and Visual Art Studies students visited the Logan City Art Gallery, corner of Wembley Rd and Jacaranda Avenue, for the annual Artwaves Exhibition. Artwaves is an exhibition of students' artworks from about 24 surrounding high schools. A panel of Art teachers and staff from the Logan Art Gallery visited all the schools in the region to select artworks for the exhibition. Five of our students' artworks were selected to be displayed.



Sunnybank High School always offers exceptional artworks for their viewing. Artworks by Mei Zhang, Aliere Iduhorimbere, Alessandra Fumagalli, Evie Russo and Forrest-Lee Akuai were selected this year.



After catching the train to Woodridge and visiting McDonalds for brunch, we spent about an hour and a half exploring the exciting artworks of various media. We were invited to fill in a selection form nominating our favourite artwork, which will eventually receive an art prize. We took photos outside and inside the gallery, having fun while doing so. We had a fun day with teachers, Mrs Chang and Ms Kalamafoni, and arrived back at school during second break, but wished there was another gallery to visit to use up the whole day!



LOTE CHINESE

During the Food Culture session in August, students of Chinese in year 8 rolled up their sleeves and made enough Jiao Zi (Chinese dumplings) to feed an army. They have learnt that Jiao Zi were eaten by Chinese people during auspicious occasions.



While some students busily filled the dough with meat and mushrooms, others boiled or deep fried the dumplings, taking great care not to let the fillings come out. They were told that the money-bag shaped dumplings, according to the Chinese tradition, symbolise wholeness and keeping money safely in one's pocket. They had a great time showing off their great work to the admiration of their Chinese teacher and eating up every single dumpling while learning about Chinese food culture.



Students of Chinese were again treated to Chinese traditional food during a class party on the last day of term 3 which happened to be the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. They helped themselves to Chinese tarts and pastries served by their teacher as well as the prawn crackers contributed by Quinton's parents. Though not all of them liked the sweet taste of the mooncake, they were fascinated by the story showing the wisdom of ancient Chinese communicating a revolution plan by hiding messages in the mooncakes and putting up lanterns as signal for the attack.

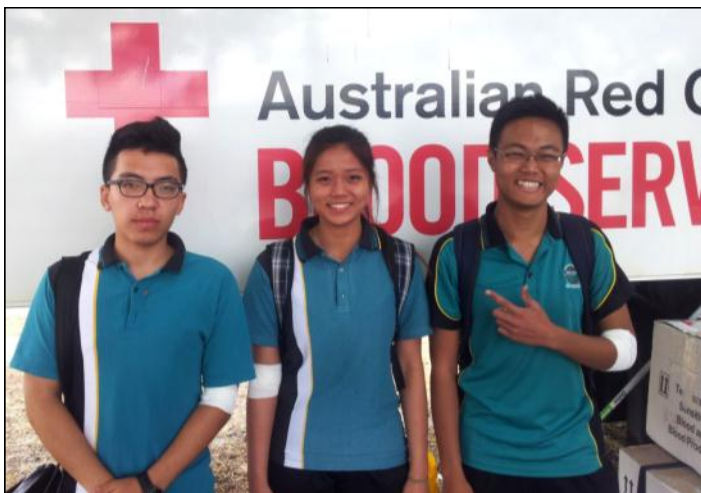


SUNNYBANK STATE HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL AWARDS—2013

Commitment to Industrial Technology	Jameel Abdurhman Yr 12, Tim Cummings Yr 12
P&C Bursary Year 8	Josh Hockey, Kyeesha Robertson
P&C Bursary Year 9	Paige Beazley, Harold Sebastian
P&C Bursary Senior	Kane Davidson Yr 12
Daunt Hannifey Memorial Bursaries	Fatuma Gahungu Yr 12, Zabihullah Abdullahi Yr 11
Griffith University REACH Awards	Luke Davis, Najibullah Haidary, Chammie Kamara, Mulu Tesfay Yr 10
World Arts and Multi-Culture Inc Awards	Luke Davis Yr 10, Mei Zhang Yr 12
ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Awards	Lubna Ahmad Yr 10, Stephanie London Yr 12
Billy Sing Memorial Bursaries	Grace Ngiam Yr 11, Thomas Sili Yr 12
USQ Year 10 Future Leaders Awards	Lubna Ahmad, Meleika Gesa-Fatafehi
Shirley Huang Memorial Bursaries	Ashlee Gill Yr 12, Christopher Whyte Yr 12
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year	Shai-Anne James Yr 12
Commitment to Studies, Leadership and Service to the School	Sarah Miller Yr 12
UQ Prize	Mei Zhang Yr 12
Graham Perrett Literary Award	Anastasia Chistiakoff Yr 8
Caltex All-Rounder	Stephanie London Yr 12

SUNNYBANK STUDENTS 'ROLL UP A SLEEVE'

Many thanks to the year 11 students who donated blood through the Australian Red Cross Blood Service in the first week of term 4. All of these donors were 'first timers' and will now hopefully become regular blood donors in the future.



This continues on with Sunnybank's tradition of community service. Students over the age of 16 can get involved in further blood donations through the school next year. For more information about the process of blood donation and where and when you can donate, visit www.donateblood.com.au

James Elcock, Yr 11 Coordinator

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!** Please contact: Catherine Pound 3323 8119, International Student Coordinator, Cricos Provider Number: 00608A



RUNNING CLUB

Meets Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday mornings at 7.00 am under block 4.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Moon Lee Tae Kwon Do

Build confidence by learning self defence at the Sunnybank High School Hall, Gager Street, Sunnybank, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm. For more information, phone 0432 184 995 or visit www.moonlee.com.au

Mt Gravatt Blue Light Dance Party

The next Dance Party is Friday 1 November, from 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm, at Mt Gravatt PCYC, 90 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt, next to the Hibiscus Centre. For more information contact Senior Constable Shane Stanley on 3323 8106.

Diabetes Research

Researchers from the University of Queensland are conducting research into parenting of children with type 1 diabetes. We are seeking parents of children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes to participate.

If you would like more information please email clin.roslyn.pay@uq.edu.au

ADVANCE NOTICE OF IMPORTANT DATES

November 6-12	Year 12 Exams
November 12	Immunisations Year 10 Boys & Year 8
November 13	Senior Formal
November 15	Year 12 Graduation
November 19-26	Year 11 Exams
November 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last day for Year 10 and 11 students Positive Rewards Trip
December 13	Last day for Year 8 and 9 students