Last week we welcomed our Japanese visitors to Redcliffe High and yesterday the Year 10 Japanese Class, their teacher Mr Frisby and the Japanese students from Sanyo Onoda experienced a fun day in Brisbane City.

The day began with us "buddying" with the Sanyo Onoda students so we could practice our Japanese language skills.

We then headed off for a trip on the City Cat to South Bank. This was a great experience for the exchange students, as despite the cold windy conditions the students still managed to take many photos of our beautiful city, including the Story Bridge, the impressive city skyline and QUT Gardens Point Campus.

After our windy ride on the City Cat we headed to Mt Cootha. Unfortunately, due to the strong winds we only stayed for 15 minutes, (the wind was so powerful, that as I was taking photos I was nearly blown over), however the the view of the city and the river was magnificent and really showed what a big city Brisbane is.

The highlight of the excursion though was Lone Pine Zoo, where we were able to walk around and look at the different Native animals.

The Koala was the major highlight for us all and luckily there were many Koala enclosures around the zoo, it was fantastic!

By Abigail Lopez- Year 10
MINI MUSIC TOUR equals MAXIMUM SUCCESS ......

Last week students in Concert Band, Stage Band, String Ensemble and Choir arrived early and packed the bus ready to take a whirlwind tour of the local area. First stop was Suttons Beach for a public performance. Students learned the hard way that performing in the wind can be a real challenge – the music was everywhere!

Concert Band and String Ensemble performed nobly in the challenging conditions to the public, family and friends before it was back to the bus. The day was good practice for longer tours with many trips to and from the bus carting and packing equipment and instruments. It was fantastic to see such teamwork on display during set up and pack down.

The tour moved on to Hercules Road where all ensembles performed to a roaring crowd! Special mention must go to Scarlett and Mia of Year 8 for their awesome solo performances.

After another bump out and bump back in we were ready to go at Scarborough State Primary School. This time Abigail, Keely and Campbell Hall dazzled the audience with solo vocal performances between the major ensemble pieces.

We could not be prouder of our students for performing so well and working hard all day.

Thanks to Ms Emma Shapland and Ms Trish Johnson for accompanying and directing these ensembles for the day. The Mini Tour was designed to inspire primary school students to take up music and also to celebrate our students participation in these hard working ensembles.

If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument or joining in joining the choir, please speak to Ms. Shapland or myself Mr. Falkenhagen, new members are always welcome!

Mr Nathan Falkenhagen – Music teacher, Redcliffe High.

We would also like to thank Mr Falkenhagen for his hard work and choral expertise on the Mini Music Tour; yet another remarkable member of our Creative Industries faculty!
Yr 9 & 10 2015
Parent Information Evening
Thursday 28 Aug 2014
Western Campus Redcliffe High
Gym - 5pm to 5:55pm - Subject Displays
Auditorium - 6pm Information session
for further information please call the school office on 3897 1111
Is your son or daughter in Year 9? This is important for you!

The subject selection and information night for Year 10 2015 will be held on Thursday August 28.

There will be a Subject Expo in the gym for students and their parents to ask questions from 5-6pm.

At 6pm there will be a 20 minute presentation about Year 10.

Students will have the opportunity to choose three elective subjects to study in Semester 1 and in June select four electives to study in Semester 2.

The Australian Curriculum ensures all students will do English, Maths and Science as CORE subjects in Semester 1. (History units have been completed in Years 8 and 9) In Semester 2 they can diversify their science if they choose or select from the full range of electives. This will allow them to bridge into their senior subjects for 2016.

Students will be informed on how to fill in subject selections online in OneSchool on the 25th of August and after our information night on the 28th, they will be able to do their selections at home with a parent. Students will print off the Subject Selection Form have it signed by a parent and hand it in to the office on Friday 5th September from 7.30am.

Is your son or daughter currently in Year 8? Year 9 2015

On Thursday the 28th of August the faculties at Redcliffe SHS will be setting up stalls and displays to assist your son or daughter in choosing their Year 9 Electives for 2015.

These will be set up in the gym between 5 and 6pm to assist our years 8 and 9 students prepare for next year. It will give you a chance to ask questions.

During that week prior to the 28th students will be shown how to do subject selections online in OneSchool and be given instructions on how to do this at home. If they do not have internet access, computers will be available for students in the school library.

The nature of the Australian Curriculum will mean that students will do a range of compulsory subjects: English, Maths, Science, History and Physical Education. They will be given the opportunity to choose TWO Electives to supplement their course. They can access the subject guide on the website and talk to their teachers about the courses on offer. These are the options for electives for Year 9 in 2015!!

Year 9 - 2015 Elective List

Accelerated Music Programme
Drama
Drama Excellence
Art Excellence
Art
Media Studies
Geography
Food Studies
Information, Communication and Technology
Japanese
Design Technology

Once the two subjects are chosen the page is printed off, signed by a parent and handed in to the office on Thursday 4th August from 7.30am at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you!

Thanks

Sue Linde - Deputy Principal

---

Peace Day Comes to Redcliffe High....

Learning another language isn't just about grammar and vocabulary; understanding the cultural background of another country allows students to delve a little deeper and gain some inter-cultural knowledge.

On this topic, my students recently had a lesson on the WWII bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; we discussed what happened in 1945 and made a crane in commemoration. We also looked at the story of Sadako Sasaki, a victim of the Hiroshima bombing, and the importance of being kind and supportive of one another.

Whilst it isn't always easy to confront the past, I do think it's important to remember, and learn, from our actions.

Ms Karen Townsend - LOTE teacher, RSHS
We focus on the whole child and offer not only outstanding academic, social, sporting and cultural opportunities but also strong, targeted pastoral care supported by our Year Level Coordinators & dedicated Welfare team.

Junior Secondary Parent Information Night
For parents of incoming Year 7 & 8 students
Thursday 28 August 2014
5:15pm Birds Nest Theatre, Western Campus.

♦ Meet teachers & Year Level Coordinators
♦ Meet our student Welfare team
♦ Talk to our current Student Leaders
♦ Find out about Junior Secondary facilities, uniform & policies
♦ Short talk on the 2015 BYOx (BYO device) policy

Enrol on the night!
Soaring Above & Beyond Expectations
at Redcliffe-SABER

Redcliffe State High, Oxley Ave, Redcliffe, Q 4022
For all enquiries please call 07 3897 1111
WWW.REDCLIFFESHS.EQ.EDU.AU
A letter from a new Guide Dog!

I’m a new Guide Dog that has just moved into your area.

For the past two years I’ve been in training to be the eyes for someone who can’t see as well as me, so I can guide them safely to where they want to go.

You might see me on the footpaths, at the shops, in the parks, or even taking a ride on the bus. I go to all the places my new owner goes.

While I may be very cute and very friendly, I have an important job to do. I need your help to make sure that I stay safe and keep my new owner safe too.

Here are a few things you can do to help:

1. Always remember, when I’m wearing my harness, I’m working. Please don’t try to pat me, talk tome, feed me or distract me – even if I’m sitting or having a sleep.

2. Please be careful when running or playing near me. Just like any dog, you can scare me or surprise me with running or really loud noises. Please leave plenty of space for me to get through safely.

3. Even though I’m really cute, I can’t be the centre of attention. If you need to speak to my owner and me, please talk to my owner. I don’t mind.

4. Make sure your best friend is on a leash or kept securely in your yard. I meet many other dogs on my walks, but if you’re coming towards me with your dog, please move off to the side and let my owner know you have your dog with you.

Thanks so much!

With your help I know I’ll be able to do my job well and be the best Guide Dog on the block!
During the last school holidays, I attended the National Symposium on Japanese Language Education and the International Conference on Japanese Language Education held together at the University of Technology in Sydney from 10 to 12 July. The event was a great opportunity to share best practice and hear from different teachers and lecturers about their perspectives.

On the strength of an earlier paper I was asked to present at the Queensland Forum on Japanese Language Education - Past, Present and Future about senior studies, I gave a 45 minute presentation at the July symposium on the topic “Making More Rapid Progress in Japanese with High Frequency Expressions”. At Redcliffe, we take the approach that the concise presentation of our subject’s material through high frequency expressions and well laid out “roadmaps” for grammar patterns are imperative for our students so they can see the “wood for the trees” and make more rapid progress with their Japanese. The presentation appeared well received with interstate colleagues asking for copies of our resources after the talk. High frequency words and patterns are those that are most used based on published statistics about word use rather than teacher “gut feel”.

The ideal method of learning Japanese at school as we see it is for your children to do it in an engaging and efficient way. They are at a critical time in their lives when the acquisition of a second language and, pertinently an Asian one is very effective in terms of their mental development and the minimal tuition costs involved at the High school level. To this end, it is pleasing to see the way that our Redcliffe students positively engage in Japanese with year upon year increases in senior student numbers and excellent results that have been moderated through the independent processes of the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). Apart from the attractions of LOTE as an enjoyable subject that rates well with the addition of an automatic OP bonus, Japanese can be usefully continued in various settings throughout one’s life with resume benefits.

An Asian LOTE fosters in our students a greater sense of openness to and appreciation for other cultures so that they can better participate in today’s wider world – one that is multicultural and interconnected, like never before, by technology and peoples. We look forward to incorporating some of the ideas and concepts from the July conferences into our teaching and learning practice here at Redcliffe.

by Mr Peter Frisby - Japanese(LOTE) teacher RSHS

### Fantastic NAPLAN results for Year 9!

Congratulations to all Year 9 students who completed NAPLAN. Redcliffe High received fantastic results. The reports have been posted to parents and should arrive in the mail soon.

Please contact the us if you have not received yours by Wednesday 27 August.

Miss Maria Williamson – Deputy Principal

### Positions Available in Tuckshop @RSHS

We have three positions available in our Tuckshop.

Closing date is the 02/09/14

Full details & position description may be found on SEEK [here](http://www.seek.com.au/Job/2711040/?cid=emailafriend)

### REDDY REMINDERS ...

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year 10 Work Experience</th>
<th>Aviation Careers Expo</th>
<th>Mountain Bike Orienteering Event - 31 August 2014</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| Year 10s need to keep looking for Work Experience and get the insurance forms back to Ms Merrick in the Blue Room. Work Exp week is 15-19/09/14 | Interested in a career in the aviation industry? [www.aviationaustralia.com.au](http://www.aviationaustralia.com.au) 23/08/14 10am-4pm @ Brisbane International Airport | In a forest, on your bike, with a map, searching for targets. A work out for your legs and your brain. Great family fun.
A 6km recreational is course on offer. $15 per adult and accompanying children free.

During the last school holidays, I attended the National Symposium on Japanese Language Education and the International Conference on Japanese Language Education held together at the University of Technology in Sydney from 10 to 12 July. The event was a great opportunity to share best practice and hear from different teachers and lecturers about their perspectives.

On the strength of an earlier paper I was asked to present at the Queensland Forum on Japanese Language Education - Past, Present and Future about senior studies, I gave a 45 minute presentation at the July symposium on the topic “Making More Rapid Progress in Japanese with High Frequency Expressions”. At Redcliffe, we take the approach that the concise presentation of our subject’s material through high frequency expressions and well laid out “roadmaps” for grammar patterns are imperative for our students so they can see the “wood for the trees” and make more rapid progress with their Japanese. The presentation appeared well received with interstate colleagues asking for copies of our resources after the talk. High frequency words and patterns are those that are most used based on published statistics about word use rather than teacher “gut feel”.

The ideal method of learning Japanese at school as we see it is for your children to do it in an engaging and efficient way. They are at a critical time in their lives when the acquisition of a second language and, pertinently an Asian one is very effective in terms of their mental development and the minimal tuition costs involved at the High school level. To this end, it is pleasing to see the way that our Redcliffe students positively engage in Japanese with year upon year increases in senior student numbers and excellent results that have been moderated through the independent processes of the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). Apart from the attractions of LOTE as an enjoyable subject that rates well with the addition of an automatic OP bonus, Japanese can be usefully continued in various settings throughout one’s life with resume benefits.

An Asian LOTE fosters in our students a greater sense of openness to and appreciation for other cultures so that they can better participate in today’s wider world – one that is multicultural and interconnected, like never before, by technology and peoples. We look forward to incorporating some of the ideas and concepts from the July conferences into our teaching and learning practice here at Redcliffe.

by Mr Peter Frisby - Japanese(LOTE) teacher RSHS

### Fantastic NAPLAN results for Year 9!

Congratulations to all Year 9 students who completed NAPLAN. Redcliffe High received fantastic results. The reports have been posted to parents and should arrive in the mail soon.

Please contact the us if you have not received yours by Wednesday 27 August.

Miss Maria Williamson – Deputy Principal

### Positions Available in Tuckshop @RSHS

We have three positions available in our Tuckshop.

Closing date is the 02/09/14

Full details & position description may be found on SEEK [here](http://www.seek.com.au/Job/2711040/?cid=emailafriend)

### REDDY REMINDERS ...

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year 10 Work Experience</th>
<th>Aviation Careers Expo</th>
<th>Mountain Bike Orienteering Event - 31 August 2014</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| Year 10s need to keep looking for Work Experience and get the insurance forms back to Ms Merrick in the Blue Room. Work Exp week is 15-19/09/14 | Interested in a career in the aviation industry? [www.aviationaustralia.com.au](http://www.aviationaustralia.com.au) 23/08/14 10am-4pm @ Brisbane International Airport | In a forest, on your bike, with a map, searching for targets. A work out for your legs and your brain. Great family fun.
A 6km recreational is course on offer. $15 per adult and accompanying children free.

During the last school holidays, I attended the National Symposium on Japanese Language Education and the International Conference on Japanese Language Education held together at the University of Technology in Sydney from 10 to 12 July. The event was a great opportunity to share best practice and hear from different teachers and lecturers about their perspectives.

On the strength of an earlier paper I was asked to present at the Queensland Forum on Japanese Language Education - Past, Present and Future about senior studies, I gave a 45 minute presentation at the July symposium on the topic “Making More Rapid Progress in Japanese with High Frequency Expressions”. At Redcliffe, we take the approach that the concise presentation of our subject’s material through high frequency expressions and well laid out “roadmaps” for grammar patterns are imperative for our students so they can see the “wood for the trees” and make more rapid progress with their Japanese. The presentation appeared well received with interstate colleagues asking for copies of our resources after the talk. High frequency words and patterns are those that are most used based on published statistics about word use rather than teacher “gut feel”.

The ideal method of learning Japanese at school as we see it is for your children to do it in an engaging and efficient way. They are at a critical time in their lives when the acquisition of a second language and, pertinently an Asian one is very effective in terms of their mental development and the minimal tuition costs involved at the High school level. To this end, it is pleasing to see the way that our Redcliffe students positively engage in Japanese with year upon year increases in senior student numbers and excellent results that have been moderated through the independent processes of the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA). Apart from the attractions of LOTE as an enjoyable subject that rates well with the addition of an automatic OP bonus, Japanese can be usefully continued in various settings throughout one’s life with resume benefits.

An Asian LOTE fosters in our students a greater sense of openness to and appreciation for other cultures so that they can better participate in today’s wider world – one that is multicultural and interconnected, like never before, by technology and peoples. We look forward to incorporating some of the ideas and concepts from the July conferences into our teaching and learning practice here at Redcliffe.

by Mr Peter Frisby - Japanese(LOTE) teacher RSHS

### Fantastic NAPLAN results for Year 9!

Congratulations to all Year 9 students who completed NAPLAN. Redcliffe High received fantastic results. The reports have been posted to parents and should arrive in the mail soon.

Please contact the us if you have not received yours by Wednesday 27 August.

Miss Maria Williamson – Deputy Principal

### Positions Available in Tuckshop @RSHS

We have three positions available in our Tuckshop.

Closing date is the 02/09/14

Full details & position description may be found on SEEK [here](http://www.seek.com.au/Job/2711040/?cid=emailafriend)

### REDDY REMINDERS ...

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year 10 Work Experience</th>
<th>Aviation Careers Expo</th>
<th>Mountain Bike Orienteering Event - 31 August 2014</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| Year 10s need to keep looking for Work Experience and get the insurance forms back to Ms Merrick in the Blue Room. Work Exp week is 15-19/09/14 | Interested in a career in the aviation industry? [www.aviationaustralia.com.au](http://www.aviationaustralia.com.au) 23/08/14 10am-4pm @ Brisbane International Airport | In a forest, on your bike, with a map, searching for targets. A work out for your legs and your brain. Great family fun.
A 6km recreational is course on offer. $15 per adult and accompanying children free.
It hardly seems possible that our year could get any busier but it has done just that! We are grateful to parents who have been involved in our school last week, there are more opportunities next week which I hope more parents can take advantage of.

**Soaring: Year 7 Facility**

Our Year 7 purpose built building is progressing at an amazing rate. If you have driven past recently you would have seen that the building is looking amazing. Our Year 7 students will certainly have beautiful facilities to enter the first year of secondary education. Of course Year 8 students, who also enter secondary for the first time are not forgotten, there will also be dedicated areas just for them.

**Above: Japanese Visit**

Mr Peter Frisby has been very busy this week playing host to visiting Japanese students. This is an annual event between Sanyo-Onoda and Redcliffe SHS. We thank the host families inviting the students into your homes and also for sharing a little about Australia and its culture and customs. This visit provides a wonderful opportunity for our students to expand their knowledge of Japanese and of course the Japanese students learn a little more English. It is such an important part of our school and we thank all involved.

**Beyond: Parental Involvement in School**

The second round of Parent Teacher Interviews occurred last week and although we had fewer parents than in Semester One, it was still a valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to meet. Parents and teachers working together form an amazingly powerful partnership in supporting student learning.

I addition we had our monthly P&C Meeting last week. This is a great opportunity for parents to be involved in the running of the school, to ask questions, to hear what is going on and to offer ideas. All parents are welcome to attend on the second Wednesday of each month at the Redcliffe RSL – 6pm.

Parents also joined us at our Junior High Achievers Luncheon this week and we will meet with more parents at the Senior luncheon next week. It is fabulous to be able to celebrate student achievement with both students and parents. Well done to the award winning students who have achieved excellent results and thank you to their parents who continually support them in their learning.

**Expectations:** Walk-throughs and Classroom Visits

The Administration team and Heads of Department are regularly visiting classrooms. We like to monitor what is happening and get involved in student learning. We are finding very engaged classrooms, where students are learning and teachers are running safe and supportive environments. If you keep your eye on our Facebook page you might see some of these visits as we ‘post’ a couple of them for you.

**Redcliffe: Attendance**

It is an expectation that all students attend school everyday. If students are away from school, they are missing out on learning. We are trying to ensure that all students and parents join with us to acknowledge that ‘everyday counts’. It is not OK to have a ‘day off’ – students MUST be at school unless they are sick or there is a genuine family issue. I understand that the majority of our parents and students know this and do everything they can to have students at school and in classes. Education is the key to the rest of their lives.

**PS.** Have you seen our fabulous Facebook page yet? Please check it out and “like” to be updated with all the exciting events happening here at Redcliffe High

---

**RED ALERTS**

Follow the link below to our WEBSITE calendar where you will find all the important school events for the rest of 2014.

[https://redcliffohs.eq.edu.au/CalendarandNews/EventsCalendar/Pages/Eventscalendar.aspx](https://redcliffohs.eq.edu.au/CalendarandNews/EventsCalendar/Pages/Eventscalendar.aspx)

“LIKE” OUR OFFICIAL SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE AND GET NEWS AS IT HAPPENS!

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

To work in our Uniform Shop.

if you can help please contact Ms Michelle McDonald on 3897 1111

---

Shona McKinlay
Principal - Remarkable
Redcliffe High
Soaring Above and Beyond
Expectations @ Redcliffe-SABER