

## **SOIL TESTING AT SUNITAFE FARM**

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This has provided an opportunity to develop the school's close ties with SuniTAFE and allow the students to see various locally grown crops at first hand.

The students were involved in taking soil samples from various crops such as Sun Muscat grapes, Almonds through to Valencia Oranges; and then analysing the soils from each location for various key parameters such as temperature, moisture, soil quality and various chemical elements critical to good plant growth. The students completed a comprehensive report on their activities as part of their Science curriculum.

We wish to thank the SuniTAFE Farm staff for their support of this collaborative opportunity and look forward to further future projects next semester. In addition, we would like to thank Mr Rowland for helping get this collaborative initiative started and for helping facilitate the required contacts to provide our students this fantastic opportunity.

Mr Robin Russell and Mr George Paolucci.