



To the Point

33/ 2015 10th November 2015

Hi Everyone,

Quadrennial school Review underway: At present the school is collating information that will be used to help develop the next Four Year Strategic School Plan. The Quadrennial school review (QSR) is scheduled for all State Schools every four years to review the School Plan and to gauge the effectiveness of our planned strategies in terms of progress towards the achievement of objectives. It is to identify any changed conditions, needs or priorities that require adjustments to our current plan. It is an opportunity for our school to consult with the community, reflect on its' data, and introduce improved performance and planning processes.

We will be conducting parent surveys this week early morning arrival and departure from the grounds. We would really appreciate a few minutes of your time to complete a questionnaire.

Year 2/3 trip to Greenmount Homestead a wonderful day of learning: Last Friday the year 2 and 3 classes visited Greenmount Homestead, Walkerston as part of their culminating unit on significant sites in our local community. They persevered with a downpour at the start of the day and then flourished in the sunny weather. The only downside was a sick child and adult from the ride home on the bus. Thank you staff and parents for providing this valuable experience for the students.

2016 Enrolments coming in: Our target is to reach 200 students like the beginning of this year. We are aware of some families leaving the area and are very saddened by this but we wish them well in their life's journey. Our prep numbers have risen to 21 and we would love to see more. This year we opened with eager to learn 36 preppies. With 200 children I will be able to keep our eight classes and the specialist teacher support such as two lessons of PE and a music lesson each week. The final Prep introduction sessions is on tomorrow at 9.30am – 10.30am, Wednesday 11th November. Each year our hard working P&C Association provide a new school hat to all new prep enrolments for the start of the year. Prep children must be born between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011.

End of year graduation and coming events subject to PBL and finances: My staff, the P&C and I work very hard to minimise the financial cost of providing an education for your child. I am acutely aware of ensuring my teachers limit book lists to the bare essentials only and we attempt to provide valuable learning experiences like the Ned show for little or no cost to our parent community. With the end of the year fast approaching I have had to send reminder notices to some families to pay off outstanding debts. This is a requirement from our school audit procedures. Any student with outstanding balances may not be able to attend the school disco, participate in reward days or graduation functions until arrangements have been made. Thank you for your assistance in this important matter.

'Remembrance day' special parade on the 11th day of the 11th month: Tomorrow the school will hold their annual commemoration ceremony to remember the fallen from the First World War and all wars there on. A tribute to our brave soldiers and medical staff will begin to assemble at 10.30am in the school hall for an 11am minute's silence.

Coming up:

- ★ Prep introduction mornings Wed 11th November (tomorrow), 9.30am -10.30am
- ★ Friday the 13th November P&C Halloween disco – parent help need.
- ★ School awards day ceremony last Monday of term.
- ★ Year 6 dinner Thursday 10th December at the Mackay Surf Club.
- ★ Thursday the 10th December PBL rewards day.
- ★ Semester Two Report cards presented to parents/ carers from Monday 7th December, the last week of school.

Have a happy week.
Rod Finney - Principal

- **Prep Open Morning Wed 11th November 9:30—10:30am**
- **School Disco—Fri 13th November 5:30—7:30pm Hall**

Slade Point

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Parents & Citizens Assoc meetings are held on the 1st.
Monday of each month. All parents are welcome to attend.

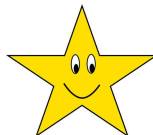
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STUDENT AWARDS

Nouha, Amiteal, Skylar,
Finlee, Brendan, Joshua,
Max, Mere



ATTENDANCE — ICE-BLOCKS

5th Week: PYA! Well Done!

SAPPHIRE AWARD

Nouha, Reon, Tristan K, Mere

SILVER AWARD

Mareikura

GOLD AWARD

Djarot, Usai

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

- * **Prep Open morning** — Wednesday 11th November 9:30—10:30am
- * **Mackay North SHS Enrolment & Ipad Evening** — Tuesday 10th November 6pm meet at the Auditorium Senior Centre
- * **P&C School Disco** — Friday 13th November 5:30-7:30pm school Hall 'scary theme'
- * **Free dress day** — Friday 13th November Gold Coin donation
- * **Mercy College** — Orientation Day Year 7 2016 Thursday 26th November
- * **Mackay North SHS** — Orientation Day Year 7 2016 Tuesday 1st December 8:30am meet at MNSHS Hall
- * **Pioneer SHS** — Orientation Day Year 7 2016 Tuesday 1st December 8:30am meet at Pioneer SHS Hall
- * **Christmas Concert** — Thursday 3rd December 5:30pm
- * **Awards Day** — Monday 7th December 8:50am — Hall
- * **Year 6 Dinner** — Mackay Surf Club Thursday 10th December 6:30pm
- * **Last day of school** — Friday 11th December
- * **School starts 2016** — Tuesday 27th January

PREP ENROLMENTS 2016



If your child is born between **1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011** they are **ELIGIBLE FOR PREP CLASS IN 2016**. Please call to the office for an enrolment form.

Prep Orientation morning is **Wednesday 11th November 9:30—10:30am**.

Please return enrolment forms ASAP to the office if you are attending to enrol your student in Prep. If you know anyone with a child this age, please ask them to come into the office to collect an enrolment form.

****YR 6 DINNER NIGHT****

Invitations have been sent out to students, please fill out the yellow slip with name/how many adults and student attending with cash and return it to the office by **Wednesday 18th November**. We can only **accept Cash** and we are not able to process Direct Debit as the Mackay Surf Club requires payment. We will not be accepting any payments after this date due to catering commitments. *****Remember no siblings or other children will be attending. All overdue fees need to be paid prior to paying for Year 6 Dinner tickets. Tickets are \$25 each person including the student.** *A note has been handed out to students, saying response to this invitation has been slow. At this stage, if more payments are not received, we will have to cancel the Mackay Surf Club. An alternative would be to have an evening with family, receiving of certificates in the school hall with refreshments and cake, but no dinner.*



SCHOOL STARTS 2016



We have been advised that school will commence **Wednesday 27th January 2016** as Monday will be a student free day and Tuesday is Australia Day.

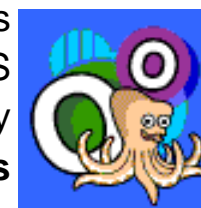
ART ROOM



If anyone has any spare empty clean sauce bottles please hand them into the office.

BOOKFAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is visiting Slade Point SS commencing yesterday **Monday 9th until this Friday 13th November**.



The theme for this book fair is *Under the Sea*. To add to the excitement a colouring in competition will be run with 2 winners from P-2 and 3-6 winning a fabulous book from the book fair.

P&C DISCO & FREE DRESS DAY



P&C is having a disco in the school hall on **Friday 13th November** and it's a '**Black Friday theme**' from **5:30—7:30pm**.

Free dress day: Please wear enclosed shoes, clothing with sleeves. (No singlets) gold coin donation!

REMEMBRANCE DAY



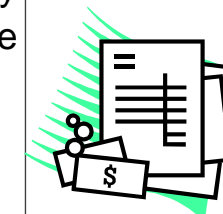
Parents/carers: Please come along to attend our special parade on **Wednesday 11th November 10:30-11am** in the hall.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Please start returning your library books to the library ASAP!



STATEMENTS



Statements will be mailed home today to those families who have outstanding fees. **Please pay by Friday 4th December!**

CHEESY VEGEMITE SCROLLS

Ingredients: 2 cups of self-raising flour, 30g butter, chilled, chopped, 3/4 cup reduced fat milk, 1 tablespoon of vegemite, 3/4 cup grated reduced fat tasty cheese, reduced milk to glaze

Method:

- * Preheat oven to 220°C/200°C fan-forced. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Sift flour into a bowl. Using fingertips, rub butter into flour until mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Make a well in the centre. Add milk. Using a flat-bladed knife, stir until mixture forms a soft dough, adding more milk if necessary. Turn out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead gently until smooth (don't over-knead).
- * Roll out to a 30cm x 20cm rectangle. Spread Vegemite over dough, leaving a 1cm strip along 1 long side. Sprinkle cheese over Vegemite. Roll up firmly. Transfer to prepared tray, seam-side down.
- * Using scissors, cut into top of dough at 3cm intervals without cutting all the way through. Pull slices to the left and right. Brush with milk. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden. Serve.