



To the Point

7/ 2015 10th March 2015

Hi Everyone,

Positive Behaviour for Learning first reward students: This week we celebrated the presentation of our first two Emerald award winners in 2015. The boys had reached 25 tokens thus far and a letter was sent home inviting family members to be a part of the presentation. Their photo will be proudly displayed in the office foyer wall of fame for the year and they will be invited to the beach activity reward day at the end of term. I look forward to many more presentations as our term progresses. Congratulations Javen and Kawarni!

New school website reminder: Our new school website with the new QSchools app for parents, community and staff went 'live' on the 28th of February. With the new school site we are able to provide more school information than previously including documents, forms, tuckshop lists etc. The new school app for your phone is very handy in keeping touch with what is going on.

PBL School rule expectation for the week: This week the PBL Program focus as mentioned on parade is Be Safe – be in the right place at the right time. From time to time students need to access the toilet or take a message to another staff member so we are reminding the children they need inform their class teacher where they are at all times. Thank you for reinforcing the rule of the week and the expectations at home.

School road safety alert: From time to time I hear reports of high school students crossing Slade Point Road early morning and afternoon to catch the bus. Today I received a timely reminder of one of our own children walking home crossing a very busy road near the school shops several times and scared the oncoming bus driver. All students must use the crossing supervisor before and after school if crossing Slade Point Road particularly. Parents could you please reinforce this message to your child.

Teacher half term sit downs: This week our Head of Curriculum Mrs Mian and I have been conducting meetings with all our teachers discussing your child's progress in relation to writing, reading and mathematics. With writing our major focus the children complete two edited pieces of demand writing tasks consistent across the school each term. Your child's education is and will always remain a shared responsibility with our parents so please speak to or record a quick note in the diary for the class teacher regularly for any support ideas. The parent support in classes each day is very welcomed.

Homework Program: Congratulations to the huge numbers of children attending homework group every Wednesday afternoon. Also don't forget free Play Group happens every Wednesday from 1pm til 3pm for our under 4 year olds. Come and make new friends and help your child get a clever start to their schooling years.

Rod Finney
Principal

- Ride 2
School day
Friday 13th
March
- Monday
Munchies
Monday 16th
March
- P&C Meeting
Monday 16th
March 6pm

Slade Point

"Caring, Sharing, Learning Together"

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Parents & Citizens Assoc meetings are held on the 3rd
Monday of each month. All parents are welcome to attend.

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STUDENT AWARDS

Danilla, Samantha, Usai,
Maleek, Balen, Kara,
Jamie-Lee, Kira



ATTENDANCE — ICE-BLOCK WINNERS

6th Week: P/1B! Well done!

BUNNING'S SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Saturday 21st March 8am is our 1st fundraiser for our year 5/6 camp. Please return the roster is you are able to help on this day to Miss Usher.



YEAR FIVE/SIX CAMP—FAIRBAIRN DAM



We are planning a year 5/6 camp to Fairbairn Dam again this year — Term 3.

Green notes were sent home yesterday to pay a deposit of \$50 for camp for Term 1.

CHORAL FESTIVAL

Choral Festival is on **March 22nd and 23rd** – permission notes due to Mrs Miller ASAP and \$20 to the office.



QSCHOOLS APP

1. On your phone please go to **App store** and type in **QSchools** and **download**
2. Go to search for your school
3. Type in **Slade Point State School**
4. Once Slade Point SS is typed in, click on the **Star** beside the name of the school.
5. Browse through our new website!

P&C NEWS

* **P&C brochure info booklet** has been sent home to each family. If you would like to donate **\$15 per family**, please hand back your envelope with your name on front and cash inside and hand it into the Brown P&C Box in the office.



* **Chocolate Boxes** have arrived. If you would like a box to sell please fill out the fundraising section on the back of the P&C levy form and return it to the office ASAP. Every box has 30 chocolates inside and they have the same chocolates and are \$2 each. We have 2 types of coloured boxes, purple and red. Do not worry if you see different students with a different coloured box to yours. Once you have sold the box please return the envelope with the money inside to the office ASAP.

* **Monday Munchies** is on next **Monday 16th March**. Notes home with the newsletter.



* **Wheelbarrow Raffle:** Starts Monday 16th March, details will be announced on parade!

A-MART ALL SPORTS

If anyone shops at A-Mart all sports, please register our School's name and every purchase our school receives money. Which we can buy equipment at the store.



Thank-you to all the families who have been shopping at A-Mart. The extra money has been extremely grateful as we have bought a lot of sports equipment.

DENTAL VAN NOTES



A Medical History/Consent form has been issued to your child/ren and must be fully completed with Medicare card details on the back and signed by a parent/legal guardian and returned to the school office in the box that is labelled "**School Dental forms**" by **Friday 20th March 2015**. **If forms are returned late there is no guarantee your child can be seen by the dentist.** Dates to be advised when the dental van will arrive at school. Further enquires please phone **0409 064 344**.

SWIMMING LESSONS



* Swimming Lessons for **Prep—year 4** will start in **Term 3 & 4** for 8 lessons. Permission forms will be sent home next term with an invoice. The cost is approximately \$70 per child. The swim centre has requested that students have their own goggles and swim caps.
* **If you would like to start making payments either \$10/\$20 per week/fortnight, please put your money into an envelope with child's name, class and swimming to the office in the green box. Please do not come on the actual due date to start paying money. If you are having financial problems, please see us. Thank-you!**

CURRICULUM CORNER

ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for schools) are about to begin for 2015. These competitions are a great way for parents and teachers to identify the strengths and weaknesses that students have in the areas of Technology, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and maths. They also recognise the talents and achievements of your child by issuing certificates for participation right through to High distinction level.

We would like to encourage all students to have a go at these competitions below. If your child would like to participate in a competition please forward the correct money in an envelope to the office staff by the due date for that subject area. We need a **minimum of 3 students** to participate in each subject area for us to book the competition.

Good luck to all participating students!

Subject	Closing Date	Cost
Digi Tech:	21st April	\$8.80
Science:	6th May	\$8.80
Writing:	18th May	\$18.70
Spelling:	19th May	\$12.10
English:	30th June	\$8.80
Maths:	14th July	\$8.80

Mrs Jo Mian
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CHAPLAIN NEWS

The gardening bug is contagious. Thanks to parents who have brought in plants and cuttings and also to Deb, our lovely cleaner. If you look around you'll see lots of surprises popping up in the gardens and trees.

Sometimes we take people for granted, especially those who quietly get on and just do their job. I want to express our gratitude to the cleaning staff and grounds man who go above and beyond their duty to ensure School life runs smoothly by their contributions. They are all playing a big role in bringing our gardens to life.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK 7 WAYS TO CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE WHEN YOU CAN'T CHANGE ANYTHING ELSE

Part 2 of a Generation Next Blog posted by Dr Ramesh Manocha:

1. Still your mind. – In order to gain conscious control of what goes on in your mind, you need to develop a keen awareness for this process. What helps is to hold still for a moment, take a deep breath and free your mind of all the chatter that's going on inside and all around. This makes room for a change of state, for something new to enter. So give yourself a break. Don't say you can't. Yes, you have battles out in the world to fight, insecurities to overcome, loved ones to contend with and goals to achieve, but a break from it all is necessary. It's perfectly healthy to pause and let the world spin without you for a while. If you don't, you will burn yourself out. You must refill your bucket on a regular basis. That means catching your breath, finding quiet solitude, focusing your attention inward, and otherwise making time for recovery from the chaos of your routine.

Chappy Lyn

RIDE 2 SCHOOL DAY



Ride 2 school day is on **Friday 13th March**.