



To the Point

19/ 2017 12th June 2017

• **Sports Day
Thursday 15th
June**

Hi Everyone,

Annual School Sports day this Wednesday and Thursday: It is that time of year again to brush of the ground cover mat, load the comfy seats, don a sun protective hat with the warm back up coat for the cool breeze and arrive early for a premium spot overlooking the running track and ball games arena. Yes, this Wednesday for grade 3-6 at 12pm for the 800m's, shot put and discus and Thursday for the full day.

Assistant Regional Director very pleased with student progress: Mrs Lalor visited classrooms last week and saw an array of student work samples, teaching posters and school expectations. She was particularly pleased with the very positive feel to the school and this was attributed to the staff and parent community working together to lead the hearts and minds of our young learners. I am very proud of the progress we have made this year not just academically but also socially and emotionally. Mrs Lalor is a strong advocate of our 'wholistic approach to learning' which starts with our premise – we are a family school and is evident with our support services coordinators Mrs Bond and Ms Armstrong this term. We recognised several years ago health issues and the emotional trauma of some of our children required a considered and calm approach to enable our students to begin to focus on their learning. Supporting our families including our carer's and guardians is a priority of our school resulting in better learning outcomes for our students.

Disco was great fun last Friday night: The Parents and Citizens Association held their first disco for the year with excellent numbers attending. Many thanks to Mr McGrath for being the DJ as always and playing the latest and greatest dance music. Thank you also to Mrs Fettell, Ms Armstrong, Ms A, Mrs Hodda and the many parents who assisted the P&C team to put on such an enjoyable event. I was particularly pleased to hear all children bar two were safely collected by an adult at the end of the event. Thank you staff and parents for ensuring the children's safety is always our number one priority.

Student Attendance records for past two week: Mr McDowall regularly tracks all students' school attendance and presents the class results on parade. In the past two weeks we have been over our goal of 'less than 50' students in total absent from school. Week seven was 72 and week eight was 64 total students away for the week. I appreciate we are in cold and flu season and this always hinders student attendance. I would like to remind all parents and carers the importance of students trying to only miss a total of 3 days or less for the term. The best class attendance for the term so far is year 4 closely followed by year 6. Thank you Mr McDowall for the extra work you take on in this important area. Next term we will be switching to cupcakes for the class attendance draw on parade.

Special honour bestowed on parade this week: I was approached by a local group of ladies from the town library if I would consider allowing the children to illustrate a children's story written by one of our writing improvement teachers, Mrs Pam Gargett. We were chosen by the group as they had heard how artistically talented our students are. I agreed to this request and with Ms Armstrong's enthusiasm, the children have produced some wonderful illustrations. I am very much looking forward to the professional publication of the story.

Farewell and thank you: Today on behalf of the school I was privileged to represent past Principal's, students and parents to say farewell to long time school supporter and respected elder in our community, Mrs Mariam Irelandes. Mrs Irelandes was instrumental in supporting the students of our community for generations, teaching the children traditional dances, cooking countless meals for culture day and always placing Slade Point community as number one. Mariam's incredible legacy lives on in her children including our own Aunty Vic, her grandchildren and her great grandchildren who attended our wonderful school.

Coming up this term:

- Sports Day – half day and full day Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th June
- Semester One report card – Monday 19th June
- Attendance lunch Tuesday 20th June
- Reward days – Emerald and Sapphire reward days Wednesday 21st June
- Movie tokens draw – Wednesday 21st June 2:30pm
- Show holiday – Thursday 22nd June (NO SCHOOL)
- Pupil free Day – Friday 23rd June (NO SCHOOL)

Try to remain focussed children with the big Sports day looming!

Rod Finney
Principal

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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

Quendall, Braxton,
Tobias, Ashton, James,
Ernestine, Megan,
Ivanna



EMERALD AWARDS

Week 7: Jade, Jasmine, Sienna,
Jorja, Madelyn

SAPPHIRES BADGES TERM 2

Jacob L, Seth L, Skylar, Kleo,
Bodie, Samantha, Summer, Josh
A, Eli, Eve and Rubi

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup will be on each
Wednesday at 9-11am in B
Block the Blue building.

STUDENT DESKS FOR SALE



We have old student
desks for sale for \$2.
Please see the office if
you're interested.

FAREWELL TO JOHN PAAP



Mr John Paap our
PE Teacher is
retiring after 40
years service to
Slade Point SS.
There will be a
presentation on parade on
Monday 19th June at 9am. All
parents and past students are
cordially invited.

P&C NEWS

- **Uniform shop:** Monday and Friday's from 2:30pm—3:10pm.
- **P&C Meeting** — Monday 12th June 6pm in the staffroom

MACKAY NORTH STATE HIGH SCHOOL



Mackay North SHS Enrolment process for students entering Year 7 2018.

The enrolment process for Mackay North SHS is underway. Enrolment forms and information can be found on our school website at www.macknortshs.eq.edu.au

We will be running five tours over the course of the rest of the year, to showcase our school. We will be running interviews after these tours to meet your students. Each tour will start promptly at 4:30pm.

Tour Dates – 14th June, 19th July, 6th September, and 25th October. We would encourage you to make one of these tours, prior to **Orientation Day on the 28th November**.

For any information regarding the enrolment process, please don't hesitate to contact the school on 49631666.

TUCKSHOP WEEK 10

Tuck shop will be open next week on **Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st June**. Due to Show Holiday on the Thursday 22nd June and Pupil free day on Friday 23rd June.



REWARDS DAY

Rewards day is on next Wednesday 21st June for 25 & 50 tokens.

50 tokens: A medical form will be sent home for the Indoor Sports Arena. Please return the form to the office by **Tuesday 20th June**.



CAMP AUSTRALIA



Slade Point State School
Before and After School Care
Phone: 0421 579 210

Before and After School Care is held in the School's Assembly Hall, please feel free to stop by with your children to meet the Coordinator and see what happens in our great program each school day.

PUPIL FREE DAY

The Pupil Free Day on the **23rd June 2017** is now open for bookings.

JOIN in the Fun

To register and book, visit us at www.campastralia.com.au and use the school finder on our homepage to search for Slade Point State School. If you don't have a computer handy please call in and use the Service's tablet to register or phone Camp Australia on 1300 105 343.

Desley Crear – Coordinator

Email: qldsladepointss@oshccampastralia.com.au

SPORTS DAY



Sports day is on this
Thursday 15th June on the oval. We

have food and drinks to purchase from the P&C and also a **coffee van** between **9:30am—12pm**. Programs on sale on the day for .50c

Sport Houses: **Lindeman is blue**
Hook is red
Hayman is yellow

House shirts are for sale in the P&C room for \$30 each



TERM 2 DATES

- **P&C Meeting** — Monday 12th June 6pm in the staffroom
- **1/2 Sports Day** — Wednesday 14th June
- **Sports Day** — Thursday 15th June
- **Year 5/6 camp sausage sizzle** — Sunday 18th June @ Bunning's North Mackay. Notes home later in the term
- **Reports Cards home** — Monday 19th June
- **Pie Drive Delivery** — Monday 19th June 2:30 — 3:30pm in the tuck shop
- **Instrumental Music Camp:** Monday 19th — Wednesday 21st June
- Attendance Lunch — Tuesday 20th June
- **25 & 50 tokens Rewards day** — Wednesday 21st June! 50 tokens @ Mackay Indoor Sports Arena

Show Holiday — Thursday 22nd June (NO SCHOOL)

Pupil Free Day — Friday 23rd June (NO SCHOOL) We have decided to make this a PFD instead of October 16th!

ATTENDANCE LUNCH

A note will go home next Monday 19th June for the students who have attended school this term for 95% or more. The lunch will be held outside the hall on **Tuesday 20th June at 10:45am**.

