Hi Everyone,

More Sapphire awardees this week: On parade this week I had the pleasure of presenting four wonderful students for continuously demonstrating our three school rules – Be a learner; be respectful and be safe. Congratulations Freda, Finlee, Lane and Kira for reaching your 50 green tokens and earning a sapphire blue badge. Equally I was very pleased to celebrate with those children who have earned their first 25 token Emerald award. Reward day is the last Friday of term. Congratulations.

Twilight concert brings tears of joy: Last Thursday night, Mrs Miller and Ms Menzies co-ordinated and presented an entertaining evening full of student performances. From the melodic sounds of the string performers through to the angel voices of the Slade Singers Choir, the audience was gleefully entertained. Furthermore, our choir has been invited this week to travel to the professional recording studios of the ABC radio station to record their version of the Anzac commemorative song, ‘Lest We Forget’. Thank you for an outstanding cultural performance children!

Attendance even better last week: In week 7 we had 40 students away in total for the week with our weekly target goal of 50. Last week we improved on this with only 38 students away and prep/one having a perfect class attendance for the week. With Ms Slade brekkie for high level attendance above 98% fast approaching I am confident many students will be on the invitation list. A huge thank you to all parents for ringing in or writing absence notes in the student diary these past weeks.

Sports day next Tuesday and Wednesday – parent help needed: With the wonderful success of last year’s event we are hoping to duplicate this again. The spirit of the athletics carnival is healthy competition through participation for all. Some of you will win ribbons but many will not. Every child is a winner if we congratulate and celebrate the effort you have made on the day. Good luck to all three houses. Each year Mr Paap, Mr McDowall and I ask for parent or family help with setting up and dismantling of tents, measuring and student safety supervision. If you can assist either day Tuesday or Wednesday please contact our office and leave your name. Tuesday field events and 800m set up starts at 11.00 with competition at 11.30am. Wednesday tent set up and grounds preparation starts at 7.45am. The more helpers the better the carnival.

Break in’s sadden our school and community: Recently we had two break in’s where money and expensive technology was stolen. Police investigations are ongoing but I would prefer to have these items returned and move forward from this very disappointing incident. These are the only stealing offences against our school property since my arrival two years ago. Student property is just as important. Often classmates play practical jokes hiding others equipment. The staff, parents and I do not see this as funny as often the equipment becomes lost or broken. Any student who has property taken please report this incident to your class teacher immediately so we can endeavour to find the person responsible.

Year 5/6 Camp : Parents we must finalise our booking with camp Fairbairn. We need to have minimum payment of $100 by next Friday (end of term) to save your child’s seat. Please see the office if you need a payment schedule to pay off over a period of time.

Chappy Lynn’s message of the week: Chappy Lynn’s message this week was generosity. That is generosity of spirit, the ability to give freely such as giving your time, giving advice, giving support to another.

Reminder dates:
- Week 9 This Thursday Jump rope for heart class activity $2 fundraiser.
- Week 10 (last week of term) – Monday Reports cards ready for parent pick up; Tuesday attendance brekkie; Half day sports; Wednesday sports day; Thursday show holiday; Friday Sapphire and Emerald rewards day and Movie ticket draw.

Happy Learning!
Rod Finney - Principal
**STUDENT AWARDS**
Alyica, Summer, Eve, Zayden, Jaezel, Braydon, Jordyn, Libby

**ATTENDANCE — CUPCAKES**
8th Week: P/1B! Well Done!

**EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE**
Tristan, H, Zayden, Breannon, Phoenix

**SAPPHIRE AWARD**
Lane, Freda, Kira, Finlee

**TERM 2 DATES TO REMEMBER:**
* ABC Studios Excursion — Sladey Singers — Wednesday 17th June
* PSHS year 7 2016 info talk to current year 6 students — Wednesday 17th June
* Pie Drive delivery — Thursday 18th June
* Jump Rope for Heart — Thursday 18th June $2
* P&C Free dress day & School Disco — Friday 19th June
* Report Cards to parents — Monday 22nd June
* Attendance Breakfast — Tuesday 23rd June

1/2 Sports Day — Tuesday 23rd June—high jump, long jump
* Full Sports Day — Wednesday 24th June (all other athletics events)
* Mackay Show Holiday — Thursday 25th June (No School)
* Rewards Day 25 & 50 — Friday 26th June
* Last day of Term 2 — Friday 26th June

**CAMP FAIRBAIRN TERM 3**
Students attending the Year 5 & 6 camp in September: The second invoice for $50 has been sent home. Pies will be delivered to the school this Thursday 18th June and can be collected from 2:30pm onwards. Please make arrangements to collect large orders as children will have difficulty carrying several pies home. Thank you to all who have supported this fundraiser!

**“QSCHOOLS APP”**
Families are now able to download our QSchools App on any smartphone, to be able to see our newsletters, forms, calendar dates etc. When you click on a calendar event you can save it to your calendar.
* Go to the App store on your phone
* Type in QSchools
* Click the ‘School search’ button
* Click on ‘Name search’

**SLADE POINT SS FACEBOOK PAGE**
We have created a Facebook page ‘Slade Point State School’ for our school and is linked via our QSchools App now too. Please like our page so you will have the latest info regarding camps/fairs/music/any notes that go home to parents. Help spread the word!

**SPORTS DAY**
Sports Day field events: Tuesday 23rd June.
800m, Discuss, Long Jump, High Jump.

Sports Day - Wednesday 24th June—Families welcome! Beginning 8:30am - Sprints, 200m, Shot Put, Relays, Ball games.
Please wear your house shirt or the colour of your house on the day. Food stall on grounds.

**Sports house shirts are available at Marvic Embroidery on Evans Ave, North Mackay.**
Lindeman: Blue, Hayman: Yellow and Hook: Red

**CHAPLAIN NEWS**
Mrs McKeans’ Year 2 class has almost completed the Fun Friends program. The children are demonstrating their mastery over many important social and emotional skills.

This program has proven a track record of improving the mental health of children who participate in it.

The parents of this class are invited to a celebration of their graduation from this program. It will be held next Monday, 22nd June at 1.45pm in Mrs McKeans’ classroom. They will demonstrate the use of skills they have been learning. These children will also present an item on Monday morning at Parade.

This week on Parade the value presented was generosity. The children learnt that generosity is the desire to give what you have to others. The students presenting this value explained the many ways of being generous and how it benefits the giver as well as the receiver.

We are putting this into practice with “Random Acts of Kindness” throughout the School. When the children have performed an act of kindness for someone and tagged them with a smiley card they then record this act of kindness and this forms a loop on a chain. We are having a competition to see whether the boys or girls perform the most acts of kindness.

The raffle that began at the Family Movie Night will be drawn at Sports Day. Tickets will be sold on the day. It is an amazing prize donated by the Staff so make sure you buy some tickets.

Chappy Lyn

**SWIMMING LESSONS—2015**
Swimming Lessons for Prep—year 4 will start in Term 3 on Tuesday 25th Aug for 8 weeks until Tuesday 27th October.

**FREE DRESS DAY/SCHOOL DISCO**
Disco: Friday 19th June, 5-7pm in the hall. Pizza $1.50 slice, Hot chips $2 bag, cold drinks available.

**P&C NEWS**
Chocolate Boxes — Please return any money or chocolates to the office ASAP!

**ICY CUPS**
The years 4/5/6 classes will be not selling icy-cups this Friday. INSTEAD they have decided to donate the icy-cups to the school for JUMP ROPE FOR HEART.

**INCRECIBLE TIP SHOP**
Thank you to the Incredible Tip Shop: Year 1 / 2 C would like to say “A big Thank You” to Ray from the Incredible Tip Shop (located at the Mackay Recycle Centre) for his very generous donation of bookshelves for the classroom. We are enjoying the bookshelf and the ease of being able to get their reading books. Keep an eye out because some more bookshelves very similar to this will be appearing soon somewhere around the school. Thank you also to Mr Bailey and Mr Finney and his helpers for picking up and reassembling the book case for our classroom.

**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**
Jump Rope for Heart is on Thursday 18th June. Everyone will jump, but a $2 donation is required to receive a sticker and icy cup on completion of jumping to go towards fundraising for the heart foundation. The heart foundation’s lifesaving research and health projects are funded almost entirely by donations. Thanks to the generous support of schools that we are able to invest in research into the cause, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of heart disease in Australia.