



To the Point

21/ 2017 18th July 2017

• **Cumberland Pioneer SHS Thurs 20th July**

Hi Everyone,

Congratulations to our first silver awardees: This week on parade I had the absolute pleasure to present two male prep students with the first 75 green tokens for the year. Well done Seth and Jacob.

Whitsunday voices trip huge hit with students and staff: Last Friday our year one, two and selected students from years three through to six visited the annual literacy extravaganza known as the Whitsunday Voices. The children sat in on presentations from award winning authors and participated in writing workshops across the day. The kids were still buzzing with ideas when arriving back late in the day. Thank you to the staff for supervising them and to Mrs Fettell for all of the organising and seeking grant funding to minimise the cost to parents.

New enrolments this week yet some families leaving us too: It is always wonderful to welcome new students and their families but sadly this week we have had to say farewell to some families forced to move on due to relocation of their home. I behalf of the school community, I send our sincere best wishes to these departing families and trust we will cross paths again someday.

Thank you to our neighbours on recent School security: Several new teenagers have moved into our school community and thought it was okay to use our school buildings for their amusement. They were chased by police on three occasions and security footage used to identify them. These children have maliciously damaged furniture, ran on roof tops and walkways and others have used the rails and buildings to perform their bicycle stunts. Thank you so much to our local neighbours who have alerted police to these young teenagers trespassing on our school grounds and causing damage. It is so disappointing to see these new people come into our community and not respect the local school as a community asset.

Cumberland sub-district sports this Thursday: The grounds at Pioneer High are ready for this year's annual athletics championship. The first event is always the 800m followed by age group 'block' events from 9years old up to 12 years old. Tuesday afternoon this week is the first time we will have students running in the new event, the 1500m. Mr McDowall is our team manager, Mrs Geiger, Aunty Vic and myself will be in attendance officiating. Best of luck to our student representatives.

Funding grant successful: Recently I applied for \$3000 in funding to help lower the costs of our swimming program through the Sporting Schools Federal Grants Program. Great news is that I received notification this week to say we were successful. Mrs Reck, our finance officer will be reworking the figures to lower the overall costs per student considerably. The swimming program is the most important part of our school curriculum because nothing is more important than learning how to swim and to be able to save your own life or someone else.

Coming up this term:

- Cumberland sports day Week 2 then Mackay Championship
- Swimming years prep to year 4 starts Tuesday 22nd August
- Culture Day 6th September
- Year 4 camp Thursday 7th—Friday 8th September
- Attendance lunch Monday 11th September
- 25, 50 and 75 token reward days Thursday 14th September

Congratulations Whitsunday Voices children for excellent behaviour whilst out of the school.

Rod Finney
Principal

Slade Point

OVERDUE ACCOUNTS

Several families have overdue accounts with the school. Can parents please pay these as soon as possible so that the school can pay our invoices — especially for the school diary. If a payment system is required, please call to the school office. Centrelink deductions are also available.

ALL ACCOUNTS



ARE NOW DUE

"Caring, Sharing, Learning Together"

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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 WEEK 1

Spencer, Jediah,
Requel, Thomas,
Pocahontas, Krystal, Kayden,
Lucie



EMERALD AWARDS

Phoenix, Claude, Kody

SAPPHIRES BADGES

Ryder, Logan, Casius

SILVER BADGES

Jacob L, Seth L

PLAYGROUP

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

SWIMMING 2017

Swimming notes have been sent home to parents. **Cost is \$77.** Medical forms will go home next month. You can pay this off weekly/ fortnightly/ centrepay. If you **DO NOT** want your child/ren to participate we need a letter to the office please. Swimming starts on **Tuesday 22nd August.**



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 – 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.

SCHOOL PHOTOS



School photos are almost upon us again! The school has engaged MSP Photography to create our school records this year and you are invited to purchase prints of your child.

On photo day, **Thursday 3rd August** every student will be photographed regardless of whether you are purchasing or not. Your child will bring home a personalised order envelope from the photographers. Please take care to read and follow all the instructions carefully. This will ensure your order is processed smoothly and efficiently and will help you to avoid any late fees. For those of you ordering online, you will notice a new, improved version this year. Please take care to follow the instructions carefully and ensure you log onto www.msp.com.au to enter your child's shootkey. Additional order envelopes are available from the school office for separated parents, blended families and grandparents. You will need to collect these on or before photo day and give it to the photographer on photo day. Be sure to write "Mum's order" or "Dad's order" on top of your envelope.

To order a sibling or friends photo, please collect Sibling and Friends Order Envelope from the school office on or before photo day, or order it online at least 24 hours in advance. Please note: Sibling photos are only for siblings who all attend the school. If your child has been photographed in a special group (ie sports team or leadership team), order envelopes will be available in the weeks following photo day. Please watch this newsletter for information when they will be available.

As school staff are unable to help with photography enquiries or payments, please direct your questions and comments directly to MSP Photography by phoning 4921 3355

CULTURE DAY

Culture day is on **Wednesday 6th September.** If anyone can help on the day please come and see Mrs Adjrun.



HEARING TESTS

Individual letters will be going out this week to parents with children identified as requiring further testing. Please contact Mrs Bond in the office to discuss.

PIONEER SHS

Year 7 2018 info night is on **Wednesday 19th July at 6pm** in the high school Theatre.

COMMUNITY FAIR/ SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

We are holding a School Fundraiser/ Market Day/Garage Sale on **Saturday October 21st** and everyone is welcome to attend! On the day we will be having a BBQ, coffee van, face painting, market stalls, Dunk Tank, Jumping Castle, fairy floss + more. If you would like to have a car boot or a market stall please see the office.

COMING SOON!

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

TERM 3 DATES

- **Cumberland Trials**—Thursday 20th July
- **Monday Munchies** — Monday 24th July
- **School Photos** — Thursday 3rd August
- **P&C Meeting** — Monday 7th August 6pm
- **MOB** — Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th August
- **5/6 Camp Bunning's Sausage Sizzle** — Saturday 19th August North Mackay
- **Prep—Year 4 swimming starts** — Tuesday 22nd August
- **1A & 2A Freckle Farm** — Friday 24th August
- **Big Sing** — Wednesday 30th August—Friday 1st September
- **Culture Day** — Wednesday 6th September
- **Year 4 Eungella Camp** — Thursday 7th & Friday 8th September
- **Attendance Lunch** — Monday 11th September 10:45 –11:30am
- **Rewards Day** — 25, 50, 75 tokens Thursday 14th September