Hi Everyone,

**Writing poster competition closes Friday:** Our school poster competition for 'What makes a good writer' closes this Friday afternoon. There are three categories pre/one, year two/three and year four to six. Judges are looking for a large poster to display around our school with ideas on what makes a good writer. The poster should be child made though parents may assist with spelling and editing their work. Good luck everyone. Winners announced next Thursday morning at the behaviour parade.

**Awesome P&C Halloween themed disco last week:** A huge thank you on behalf of the students to our P&C president and DJ extraordinaire, Mr McGrath. Also thank you to the other P&C members, parents and staff who made this a wonderful event for the kids. They were very excited to show me their costumes when I arrived with half an hour to go. Can I just remind all students that parents need to accompany you on your walk home at night. It is not safe to be out at night unsupervised.

**Congrats NAPLAN testers:** On parade this week I congratulated our year 3 and 5 children for their super efforts in the National tests this year. Results are usually released to parents late term three.

**More children enjoyed the Mackay meteors special behaviour reward:** Last Sunday afternoon, T.J and the teacher aides selected a few more children in years two and three to attend the Meteors home game. I trust you had a wonderful time.

**Staff, parents and students camp fundraiser:** Wonderful work from our team that worked tirelessly last Sunday at the Bunnings sausage sizzle raising over a thousand dollars to assist with the year 4 camp and Student Council projects. The sausages were very flavoursome and thank you for serving me so late in the day. Thank you parents and staff who put in their own time on the weekend to help with this event.

**Coming up this term:**
- Free Sporting schools program involving athletics, cricket and touch football started this week through to end of term
- Attendance lunch last week of school
- PBL rewards days last week of school
- Show holiday last Thursday of school
- Annual Sports day later this term – Week 10 Wednesday the 15th half day and Thursday the 16th June, full day

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**SWIMMING LESSONS—2016**
Swimming Lessons for Prep—year 4 will start in Term 3 on Tuesday 23rd Aug for 8 weeks until Tuesday 25th October.
Payment $78:
If you wish to start making payments, weekly/fortnightly please put money inside an envelope with your child’s name/class/swimming into the box in the office. A letter has been handed out to those students with all the details.

**BIKE EDUCATION — YEAR 4 STUDENTS ONLY**
Permission/medical forms will have gone home. Bike Ed is on Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th June. Cost is $13.50 per student. The P&C will cover half of the cost per student. If you wish to hand in the medical forms and money，请 put money inside an envelope with your child’s name/class/bike Ed into the box in the office.

“YEAR 7 2017”
**PIONEER STATE HIGH SCHOOL**
Students interested in attending Pioneer SHS in 2017 are able to download an enrolment form from our website. We will be visiting Slade Point State School early in Term 3 to show what our school has to offer in terms of academic, sporting and cultural programs. For further information, contact us on 4955 9222.

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**MACKAY NORTH STATE HIGH SCHOOL**
Enrolment information and forms can be obtained from the school website enrolments section.

**ODD SOCK DAY**
Monday 23rd May. Please wear your odd socks to school with full school uniform. Gold coin donation towards Chappy Lyn.

**STATE OF ORIGIN — 1ST JUNE WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE JERSEY/ FOOTBALL COLOURS**
Student Council is having a fundraiser on Wednesday 1st June. Gold coin donation. Must have sleeves and closed in shoes. If not in free dress, please wear full school uniform!

**CHAPPY LYN’S FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**
Chappy Lyn is having a movie night on Saturday 18th June, near C Block. There will be a BBQ, raffles, competitions and prizes, food for sale. Movie will commence with cartoons followed by a family movie.

**T20 BLAST CRICKET PROGRAM**
This cricket program is on today, Thursday 19th May at 3:15pm—4:45pm on the oval.
This is only open to the students who have returned their blue note.

**CHAPLAIN NEWS**
From time to time, life throws all of us a curve ball, and we need to call upon our strengths to respond. Resilience is the capacity that helps us draw on these strengths and bounce back. With resilience a key factor in social, emotional and wellbeing, the Fun Friends programs and Being a Bucket Filler are helpful to ‘teach’ resilience to young people. I hope the parents of Prep’1 and Year 1/2 are making use of the homework sheets that are coming home each week giving you practical ideas of reinforcing what the children have learnt that week. We can build resilience in our youth and set them up for happy and meaningful lives – it’s a case of giving them the knowledge and tools and teaching them to make use of them.

This week is Chappy Week and as a promotion of it I am organizing an Odd Socks Day next Monday 23rd May. Children must come in full School Uniform but if they bring a gold coin donation may come with Odd Socks. We will have a display on Parade on Monday morning and will have some small prizes for the most unusual combinations.

A date to mark in your calendars is our next Family Movie Night to be held Saturday 18th June. This is the major fund raiser to assist in the funding that allows me to work 2 1/2 days per week at this School. This is not fully covered by Government funding and generous donations from my Church and many individuals help make up the short fall. This is the School’s opportunity to contribute.

We will start at 4.00pm with Minute to Win it Competitions with small prizes. There will also be a paper aero plane competition and some small prizes. The Movie will commence at 5.30pm with cartoons followed by a popular family movie.

Chappy Lyn