Hi Everyone,

Annual Christmas Carols upon us: This Thursday night promises to be a family fun event that brings the whole community together. Each year it is our way of preparing for the holidays, spreading the festive cheer and reflecting on the year that has past. Thursday is a full rehearsal ready for the Thursday night performances. The concert kicks off at 5.30pm. Get your spot early by bringing a comfy chair or blanket to sit on. Christmas apparel from our school community encouraged.

Special parade for early leavers this Thursday morning: This Thursday’s PBL parade in the covered area will feature an early year’s Christmas play and a few Annual Class Awards for some students who are going on holidays early. The show starts at 8.30am sharp.

High school transitions visits yesterday: Yesterday our North High and Pioneer High prospective students travelled to their soon to be new schools. This can be a very scary time for them and my staff are on hand to make this as streamlined and stress free as possible. I eagerly await the stories and the differences they have already encountered at their new learning institution.

Reminder for Monday: Annual school awards at 8:45am the 7th of December in the hall. Very much looking forward to announcing our new school leaders and award winners.

Classes for 2016: I am very much hoping to have 8 classes again next year. I am not anticipating any staff changes from our current team. I anticipate putting out class lists on the last Thursday of school. These lists may change depending on increased enrolments next year but I was hoping to make the transitional change for our students as calm as possible. Our school focus on writing improvement will be further enhanced with significant support from my school budget like this year. I will also continue to support our numeracy, reading and early year’s phonics improvement agenda through the school budget.

Coming up:

- Christmas Carols concert Thursday 3rd December at 5:30pm
- Monday 7th 9am – 10:45am School Awards parade
- Semester Two Report cards presented to parents/carers from Monday afternoon 7th December, the last week of school.
- Thursday the 10th December PBL rewards day
- Year 6 Dinner Thursday 10th December at the Mackay Surf Club

Come and sing along Thursday night.
Rod Finney - Principal
PREP ENROLMENTS 2016
If your child is born between 1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011 they are ELIGIBLE FOR PREP CLASS IN 2016. Please return enrolment forms ASAP to the office if you are attending to enrol your student in Prep. If you know anyone with a child this age, please ask them to come into the office to collect an enrolment form.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS
Please come and bring your family to the Christmas concert next Thursday 3rd December at 5:30pm - meet near the CGA. Hot food and cold drinks available. Please bring a blanket or chairs to sit on. Students to wear free dress, otherwise advised by teachers. Christmas shirts if possible.

AWARDS DAY
Awards day is held next Monday 7th December at 8:50am in the hall. A letter has been issued to students who will be receiving an award. All families are welcome to attend.

MACKAY NORTH SHS SCHOOL SHIRTS
Shirts are only available at the office. Office closes on Friday 11th December and re-opens on Monday 18th January 2016 all week. Shorts can be purchased at PSW (Marvic)

SORBELLO'S FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER
Year 6 girls have been handed a medical form to attend the lunch. Sorbello's lunch is on Friday 4th December. Leaving the school at 1pm and returning by 2:50pm.

LIBRARY BOOKS
Please start returning your overdue library books to the library ASAP!

CQ SPORTY SCHOOLS UPDATE
We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Slade Point Bowls Club for generously allowing us to take groups of kids to bowl on the greens as part of the CQ Sporty Schools this term. The Club offered this to us free of charge and the children enjoyed every moment learning about a great sport that keeps you active and is great fun for the whole family. We would like people to support our local club so…..

MILCO CUP
Today we had our first Milo Cup. Students vs Teachers game of basketball. It was a great game with the Teachers vs the Year 6 students as a fun way for them and all of us to end the year.

REMINDER NOTICE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS
Queensland Transport Bus Travel Assistance Application Forms for students commencing Year 7 in 2016 are required to be sent back to Mackay Transit Coaches by 04 December 2015. Enquiries please phone 49573330.

SCHOOL STARTS 2016
We have been advised that school will commence Wednesday 27th January 2016 as Monday will be a student free day and Tuesday is Australia Day.

STUDENT AWARDS
Zarlear, Xander, Zion, Kingston, Ella, Ian, Corben, Jamie-Lee, Daniel, Tamara, Ebani, Jordyn, Khalil

EMERALD AWARD
Aaliyah, Amiteal, Zac D, Ian, Dylan, Riley

SAPPHIRE AWARD
Ashton, Zarlear, Anarchy, Georgie, Kleo, Samantha, Tristan H, Kahlia, Chance, Ethan M, Michaela, Jazz

SILVER AWARD
Declan, Finn, Isabelle, Summer

GOLD AWARD
Aaron, Jasmine, Javen

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4
* Christmas Concert — Thursday 3rd December 5:30pm
* Awards Day — Monday 7th December 8:50am — Hall
* Rewards Day — Thursday 10th December.
* Year 6 Dinner — Mackay Surf Club Thursday 10th December 6:30pm
* Last day of school — Friday 11th December

OUR BUS TRAVEL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FORMS
Students who have received 25 tokens this term will be able to attend on Thursday 10th December. The Emerald students will be going across the road to McCready's Creek. Please return your medical forms to the office by Tuesday 8th December.

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REWARDS DAY—EMERALD CERTIFICATE
Students will bring home a medical form who have reached 25 tokens this term which will be on Thursday 10th December. The Emerald students will be going across the road to McCready's Creek. Please return your medical forms to the office by Tuesday 8th December.

REWARDS DAY—SAPPHIRE & SILVER BADGE
Students will bring home a letter who have reached 50 or 75 tokens this term which will be on Thursday 10th December.

REWARDS DAY—GOLD BADGE
Students will bring home a medical form to attend to BG’s & Blue Water Lagoons who have reached 100 tokens last term and this term which is on Thursday 10th December.

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The Slade Point Bowls Club, The Place To Be Barefoot Bowls on a Wednesday starting at 6pm, and names to be in by 5:30. 2 games of 10 ends and a hot dog at half time. Fridays are our biggest night with meat raffles (3 prizes from Slade Point Meats, and a meal for 2) seafood raffle ($50 voucher from Debbies Seafood) and 3 Members draws. All draws will be drawn at 8pm. Bistro is open from 6 until 8 for $10 meals.

PLAYGROUP
A Merry Christmas from Playgroup 2015. We have been meeting each Wednesday from 1pm during the school term. Ages from 0—5 years. We will be continuing this playgroup in 2016.

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