Hi Everyone,

First 75 token Silver badge award presentation: This week on parade it was an absolute pleasure to present young Miss Harper Boulding with the very first Silver PBL award.

Several Sapphire awards and large numbers of Emerald awardees: This week’s parade was abnormally long with many well-deserved students earning their 50 token Sapphire award and 25 token Emerald award. Well done children. Thank you to the many parents who were able to present this award to their child. Reward day is on this Friday along with our end of term green token movie raffle draw. Students must be in attendance to have a chance of winning one of the six movie tickets.

AFL stars at Slade Point: This week we concluded a very successful IPS AFL program that our students were very fortunate to be offered. Our year 4 to 6 boys took on huge year 6 boys from the thousand student school in Rockhampton known as Frenchville. Considering our boys only had a first game session last Friday, they performed exceptionally well. Frenchville had 3 rep players in the side and deserved the win though our boys played their heart out. The girls were to play a Frenchville girls team too but they had several pull out through injury and sickness. So our year 4.5,6 girls were split into two even sides with the ‘blue’ side just winning out. Jaime-lee Surha and Sergege Larry were awarded signed ‘Suns’ jerseys to keep for being the most outstanding players. The teachers, AFL coaches and I are very proud of you all.

Attendance brekky huge numbers: This term we celebrated outstanding attendance for students who had only missed up to a combination of 3 absences which includes early and late slips. Research shows excellent attendance is directly linked with improved academic results. In recent weeks our total school absence target has fallen below the 50 mark for consecutive weeks. Well done students and parents for getting them to school every day. Many thanks to the staff for providing a yummy nutritious breakfast and lots of parents for assisting.

Sports day today and tomorrow, Wednesday – parent help needed: Mr McDowall has asked for help from any parents who can assist in set up, pull down and measuring on either days of competition. We value the ‘spirit of healthy competition through participation for all students.’

P&C Disco fun last Friday night: A special thank you on behalf of the students to Mr McGrath, staff, parents and P&C members for putting on an excellent evening of fun and entertainment. I very much enjoyed watching the children show their moves. Some of them are natural dancers with incredible rhythm. ‘Fun with maths’ – all Prep to Year 6: Coming up next term for all students to participate at a cost of $6 for a whole day ‘fun with maths’ program. This program has been very popular for our Mackay neighbourhood school students so we would like to encourage our children to have the same opportunity. More information will follow in weeks one and two next term.

Reports cards available for parent pick up: Many parents came in and collected their child’s first Semester report card yesterday. Please take a few minutes to catch up with the class teacher. All parents are requested to make a formal sit down time in the first two weeks of next term with the class teacher to discuss their child’s progress. Some parents have interviews with Ms Armstrong’s year 4 class this week.

Reminder dates:
- Week 10 – Reports cards ready for parent pick up; Wednesday sports day; Thursday show holiday; Friday Sapphire and Emerald rewards day and Movie ticket draw.
- Have a safe and happy Winter vacation. See you all back Monday July 13th.

Rod Finney - Principal

"Caring, Sharing, Learning Together"
**STUDENT AWARDS**
Amerah, Aaliya, Kiana, Slater, Chance, Lara, Ebani, Lili

**EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE**
Blair, Kody, Sophie, Daniel, Alyica, Locke, Bodie, Aliissia, Archy, Zarlear, Symphony, Cody, Tyson, Chance, Balen, Coen

**SAPPHIRE AWARD**
Ivanna, Hayley, Seth V, Raedan, Mia R, Madonna, Eve C, Mikayla, Usai, Jamie-Lee, Libby, Nolear

**SILVER AWARD**
Harper

**TERM 2 DATES TO REMEMBER:**
* 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
* 1st day of Term 3 — Monday 13th July (not a pupil free day)

**SLADE POINT STATE SCHOOL**
‘Get Set for Prep’
Playgroup News

Please come along to our Slade Point State School Playgroup. Playgroup will be run from 1:30-2:50pm every Wednesday afternoon in B Block near Admin.

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**CAMP FAIRBAIRN**
**TERM 3**
Students attending the Year 5 & 6 camp in September: The second invoice for $50 has been sent home. Thank you to all who have supported the pie drive 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’
* Type in ‘Slade Point State School’ and it will appear
* Click the star next to the name and it will become green
* Then you can browse our new website!

**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!

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**SPORTS DAY**
Sports Day
Wednesday 24th June—Families welcome!
Beginning 8:30am—Sprints, 200m, Shot Put, Relays, Ballgames.
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

**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**
Thank you to everyone who jumped last Thursday 18th June and donated money!

**ICY CUPS**
Icy Cups will be on sale in the old tuck shop after sports day on Wednesday 24th June.

**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.

Payment $70: If you wish to start making payments, please put money inside an envelope with your child’s name/class/swimming into the box in the office. A permission/medical form will go out to students in Term 3.

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**REWARDS DAY—FRIDAY 26TH JUNE**
Permission forms have been handed out to the students who have reached 25 & 50 tokens. Please return the medical form by Wednesday 24th June. No medical form, No beach!

**HATS/JUMPERS/SCHOOL EQUIPMENT**
Parents/Guardians:
School Equipment:
Could you please check over the holidays whether your child/ren need any school equipment eg: pencils, erasers, glue etc. so that they come back to Term 3, with all the equipment.

**Hats:** Please make sure your child/ren have a hat with their name on it for each day. NO HAT, NO PLAY.

**Jumpers:** Since we are getting into cooler months, if your child/ren requires a jumper at school, please make sure they have their name written on it.

**SCHOOL ABSENT LINE**
If you know your child/ren are not going to attend school at any time, please phone the absent line on 49657 360. Please leave your child’s name/class/reason for being away.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**
St Joseph’s Catholic Parish Sacramental Program:
Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (1st Confession) Confirmation
1st Eucharist (1st Holy Communion)
Date: Tuesday 28th July, St Joseph’s School Hall, Canberra St
Time: 7pm.
For more info phone: 49574855 Mon—Fri 9am—2pm