



To the Point

21/ 2015 28th July 2015

Hi Everyone,

Mackay Athletics Championship tomorrow: On behalf of the school community I would like to wish our twelve outstanding athletes the very best of luck competing at the Mackay District trials tomorrow. This year our 9 to 12 year old students excelled in the Cumberland selection trials. Whether they place or not at the Championship we are all very proud of their effort this year.

- **NED show Friday
31st July 9am**
- **Bunning's
Sausage Sizzle
Sunday 2nd
August 9am**

The NED Show coming this Friday: The NED show is a character education show that centres around three important messages – Never give up; Encourage others and Do your best. Our school receives the NED show free of charge as we are hosting a 'pay it forward' sale. A letter to parents explaining the items for sale is included in this newsletter. We are contracted to provide the Pay it forward sale for five days after the event. There is no obligation to buy and all NED yo-yo's will be taken home for student use, not to be played with at school. This show promises to be very educational as it has come highly recommended by other local schools.

Annual School Survey closes this Friday afternoon: A parent letter and our remarkable school achievements list in the past 12 months went out to each family recently. In this letter was an individual code and website for the annual school survey. I am asking all parents to please take ten minutes to complete the survey which only comes on-line. If you require access to a computer please come into the office and we will arrange for you to be logged onto one of our library lab computers at a time that suits you. We are very proud of our school and its' community and would love to see the survey completed to reflect this.

Attendance improved from last week but still over target: Last term we smashed the school weekly target of below 50 students absent across the whole school for the week. Unfortunately, the flu has hit and our figures have increased in the past weeks with an 85 week one and a slight improvement last week down to 66 total students away. With flu season upon us children, please try to ensure you wash your hands with soap before eating and cover your mouth if sneezing or coughing to help reduce the spread of the virus.

Assistant Regional Director visited last week – final visit: Mr Alan Whitfield visited our school last week and was very pleased to see a high standard of student work and children's improvement data particularly in writing, our major focus for the year. Sadly, Mr Whitfield is retiring and new Assistant Regional Director of school will be appointed soon. I would like to thank Mr Whitfield for his advice and support towards our school improvement agenda. I wish him a very happy retirement.

Chappy Lyn's message of the week: This week Chappy Lyn's value message linked to the NED show. The students presented the 'doing your best' as the 'value of the week.' Key points included finishing your job well and that great people fail a lot because they try a lot!

Coming up:

- *Before end of July – Student, staff and parent school surveys closes 31st July – this Friday.
- *Week three – Mackay District athletics (Wednesday) for 12 selected students and the NED show!
- *Chappy Lyn's movie night fundraiser in August
- *Camps for yr.4 and 5/6 week 9 and swimming prep to year 4 later in the term.
- *Fun with maths day 1st of September.

Rod Finney - Principal

Slade Point

"Caring, Sharing, Learning Together"

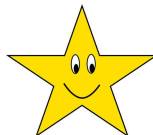
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Parents & Citizens Assoc meetings are held on the 1st.
Monday of each month. All parents are welcome to attend.

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STUDENT AWARDS

Xander, Claude, Kahlia, Blair, Ella,
Brandi-Lee, Zoey, Tristan



ATTENDANCE — CUPCAKES

2nd Week: PYA! Well Done!

EMERALD AWARD

Kelvin, Ethan

SAPPHIRE AWARD

Jasmine

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, weekly/fortnightly please put money inside an envelope with your child's name/class/swimming into the box in the office. A permission/medical form has been handed out to students. Please fill them out ASAP (even without payment) and return to the office.

DATES TERM 3

- **Mackay District Trials** — Wednesday 29th July
- **NED Show** — Friday 31st July 9am
- **Bunning's North Mackay** — Sunday 2nd August 9am—2pm
- **Swimming starts** — Tuesday 25th August Prep — Year 4 only
- **P&C Mini Olympics** — Friday 28th August 1:30pm
- **Fun with Maths** — Tuesday 1st September Prep-Year 6. \$6 each child
- **Culture Day** — Thursday 3rd September
- **Year 5&6 Emerald camp** — Monday 7th — Friday 11th September
- **Year 4 Eungella camp** — Thursday 10th — Friday 11th September

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN



Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn and Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent. Once the sheet is completed pop it into the collection box in our office.

Please write your name and school on it. **Please give the office (not into the box) any spare stickers, then we can place them onto the cards.**

CHAPPY NEWS

Year 6 Sausage Sizzle this Sunday 2nd August – sorry note home had incorrect date. The times are from **9am to 2pm**. I have a couple of helpers so far so any more would be very much appreciated. This is to raise funds to help make the Real Me Shines and Strength programs a special event for the children's final term at Primary School by providing them with a lovely afternoon tea each week and a pizza party for the boys at the end of their Strength program. I will be away all of next week at the annual Chaplains' Conference with over 600 Chaplains from all over Queensland in attendance. This provides us with many new ideas and training to equip us in our roles.

The students did a great job of putting new plants in our car park garden last Friday as a part of National Tree Planting Day. Thanks to Mrs A and the Year 4 students for co-ordinating this effort.

Year1/2 are showing great skills with the Fun Friends Program and the Year 4 are also participating well in Friends for Life Program. Chappy Lyn

FINE MOTOR SKILLS

Reminder for Nominated Children our fine Motor program has re-started on Wednesday's at 8:15am.

Thanks

Mrs McGovern

Special Ed

MINI OLYMPICS P&C

FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

The Mini-Olympics booklets have been handed out to all students. Please make sure students are safe when they are fundraising. **All money is due back on Friday 28th August.** Every \$10 you raise, you can receive a prize.

MACKAY NORTH SHS

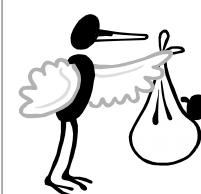
YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

Mackay North SHS Year 7 enrolments are currently open and the 1st round of enrolment acceptances have been sent out. Enrolment forms, information and scholarship applications are available of our school website. There will be a school tour coming up on **Thursday 8th August at 6pm, Junior Secondary Precinct deck.** We encourage you to attend if you would like to find out more about our school and the wide range of academic, sporting and cultural opportunities available to students. Please refer to our school website for further information or contact the school on 49631666.

A reminder to parents of students who have been accepted for Year 7 in 2016—please collect your enrolment package from our front office. It must be completed and returned to **Mackay North SHS by Friday 31st July.**

You will also need to register for the Enrolment and **iPad Information Evening** on either the **Wednesday 19th August** or **Tuesday 10th November at 6pm** in the **Senior Centre Auditorium.**

BABY NEWS

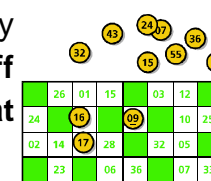


Congratulations to Miss Goldfinch and her partner Michael on the arrival of a baby girl 'Billie Michele' on Monday 20th July.

Congratulations to Miss Dorante and her partner Guyai on the arrival of a baby boy 'Stanley' on Saturday 25th July. All doing well!

PCYC BINGO

We are holding Bingo every **Friday morning at PCYC off Norris Road. Bingo starts at 9:30am.**



We have a courtesy bus for those who do not have transport. Bookings for the bus must be booked at least 2 days in advance. Our Phone number is 49 423 296

CURRICULUM CORNER

"FUN with MATHS" which is on **Tuesday 1st September** day count down has begun (Week 6) . Each child from prep to year 6 will be attending this session at the school for a small cost of \$6.00 each. The day will give opportunity for all students to explore Maths concepts by participating in games and hands on activities to assist in a thorough understanding of each concept. A terrific way for our students to learn!!

Please begin sending in your child's payment in an envelope with the following details on it: **CHILD'S NAME, CLASS,** and add "Fun with Maths" title.

Also include the permission slip below:

FUN WITH MATHS Permission Form

Child's Name: _____

Year Level: _____ Cost: \$6.00 (1 child)

I give permission for my child to attend the "Fun with Math's" session at Slade Point State School on _____

Signed (parent / guardian): _____

The office and teachers will keep record of all families that have paid prior to the Maths day. Reminders will be given over the following weeks.

Please don't let your child miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

Mrs Jo Mian

Head of Curriculum

TOUCH FOOTBALL

Season Dates:

Friday U8 (Mixed, boys or girls), U10, U11, U12, U13 and U14 Boys or Girls starts 7th August – 23rd October 2015.

Sign-on Dates: Thursday 30th July 3-7pm and Friday 31st July 3pm – 6.00pm.

\$70.00 per player, minimum of 8 for U8 & minimum of 10 players per team U10's - OPENS. All teams to nominate online and all players to register online via the Mackay Touch website "Nominations are Open" There are options to pay online, eftpos, Direct Deposit, cash or cheque payable to Mackay Touch Association.

All teams must have a coach with a Foundation, Talent, Elite or Masters Coach Level or sign up to attend a Coaches Course. (Date to be advised)

Dean Cheetham

Mackay Junior Touch Coordinator

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