

25/ 2016 31st August 2016

- **School Fundraiser/  
Market day  
meeting Thurs 1st  
September 3pm**
- **Culture Day Wed  
7th September**

Hi Everyone,

**Wonderful news with the return of the stolen chook:** Out of adversity and sadness there can be a shining light. Sometime last Sunday evening, a laying hen owned and cared for by the Kindy kids was removed from its' enclosure. The door was damaged in the process. Due to the fabulous detective work of our local police officer Senior Constable Matt, the much-loved chook has been returned unharmed from the ordeal and appeared pleased to be back in her pen. Well done Matt. You have made many young learners very happy.

**Illegal entry to school grounds reported to police:** Last weekend our school was entered by several different groups of teenagers late at night. Footage from our security cameras has been given to the police as some illegal activities were observed. One of our astute and caring parents notified police very early Sunday morning to report a small fire lit underneath A block. Fortunately no serious damage occurred as this is the oldest building in the school with a rich and meaningful history. Several suspects have been questioned over the incident. I would like to thank our Slade Point Neighbourhood Watch group and our parent community who keep an eye on our facilities and I am very grateful to our security services team and police that always follow up on any mischievous or destructive behaviours in our school.

**Annual Culture day event next Wednesday 7th September:** For those families that are new to our school, our 'culture day' activities are second to none. We are very well known over a long, long time for providing our students and school community with worldly cultural experiences. Every class partakes in studying the culture of a country and also our own traditional cultural heritage. We ask our parents to make a cultural dish and bring along to share with all the children and school community. We open our school to our school sponsors and supporters and I encourage friends and family to be a part of this special day. Could you please let Aunty Vic know if you require refrigeration for your food in the morning so we can coordinate appropriate storage. As these are shared dishes we ask that you ensure the preparation and temperature of the food is appropriate. Meat dishes such as chicken and pork do require cold temperatures to eliminate bacterial growth. Aunty Vic is putting the final touches on the program, but the general run of the day will be 9.00am class visits; indigenous games and other cultural activities middle session, lunch and conclude with our dance performances in the afternoon session. It is always a wonderful learning opportunity and community sharing event that I hope you will be a part of.

**Year four environmental camp next week:** Our enthusiastic year four teacher, Miss Armstrong has planned another challenging yet educational life time learning experience for our year four students for next Thursday and Friday. The class will travel up to beautiful Eungella Mountain participating in rainforest walks and activities before sleeping overnight at Eungella State School. They'll then rise at 5am whilst it is still dark outside and I'm in my cosy bed at home sound asleep, ready to participate in an actual working dairy farm milking their cows. Following this illuminating experience they will make their way to the spectacular Finch Hatton Gorge for what may be a very quick toe dip in the icy cool waters of Araluen Falls, a picnic lunch before arriving back at school somewhat exhausted yet fulfilled. As we all know camps and excursions are additional duties not required of my staff. I commend and applaud Ms Armstrong for all the hours of planning and preparation that goes into this incredible learning experience. Thank you.

**PBL message of the week:** The message of the week is: 'before school procedure and bus procedure' with attached photos on the covered games area wall sign. Best of luck in the blitz draw.

**This term:**

- Swimming for years prep to year 4 has started every Tuesday, till next term
- Culture Day Wednesday September 7th
- Year 4 camp next Thursday 8th, Friday 9th September
- Teacher's Term 4 unit planning next week
- 25,50 and 75 token reward days end of term with attendance lunch
- Term 4 — Slade Point Community Drive – Garage sales and markets Saturday 22nd October 8.30am – 12.30pm

Rod Finney  
Principal

**SCHOOL FUNDRAISER / MARKET DAY  
SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER**

## STUDENT AWARDS

Slater, Requel, Ryder, Mikayla,  
Tayella, Chance, Kiara & class  
of 4A



## ATTENDANCE — CUPCAKES WINNERS



7th Week: 5A! Well done!

## EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE

Jediah, Mark, Ryan

## SAPPHIRE BADGE

Jorja, Seth V Ivanna, Jazz

## SILVER BADGE

Declan, Mayhem, Josh A, Reece,  
Tayella, Maleek

## COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 3

- ★ **P&C Meeting** — Monday 5th September 6pm in the Admin Building—staffroom
- ★ **Culture Day** — Wednesday 7th September
- ★ **Year 4 Eungella Camp** — Thursday 8th & Friday 9th September
- ★ **50 & 75 tokens rewards day** — Thursday 15th September
- ★ Last day of Term 3 — Friday 16th September
- ★ **School Fundraiser / Market Day:** Saturday 22nd October 8:30am-12:30pm

## ADDRESS/EMAIL/PHONE NUMBERS



If you have changed address/email and phone numbers, please update your details with the office ASAP!

## STUDENT ABSENCES

It is an Education QLD requirement that all students are accounted for each and every school day. If your child/ren is going to be absent for any reason for any part of the day you must notify the school. **Please ring the student absent line on 49657 360 or a note to the office / teacher the next day.**



## QPARENTS



A letter has been sent out to all parents/guardians to see who would like to join up for Qparents. If you do decide to join please fill out the letter and return it to the office. This will be active in Term 4 and you can access your child/ren's student's information online, view and update attendance and student details, view and download report cards and invoices, make payments online and stay connected to your school.

## PREP ENROLMENTS 2017

If your child is born between **1st July 2011 and 30th June 2012** they are **ELIGIBLE FOR PREP CLASS IN 2017**. Please call to the office for an enrolment form. **Prep Information session is Wednesday 19th October 5-6pm in the Prep room.**



## P&C FATHERS DAY STALL



This **Friday 2nd September**, P&C will be having a stall, all gifts will be under \$5. Please bring some money if you would like your child/ren to purchase some gifts.



## SCHOOL FUNDRAISER / MARKET DAY/ GARAGE SALE SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER 8:30AM—12:30PM

We are holding a School Fundraiser/Market Day/Garage Sale in October and everyone is welcome to attend! On the day we will be having a BBQ, coffee van, face painting, over 60 market stalls, Old MacDonald farm, Jumping Castle + more.

The school is holding a meeting next **Thursday 1st September in the Admin building, staffroom at 3pm.** We are looking for any interested parent/s or guardians that would like to come along to find out more and be willing to assist.

## THANK YOU



Thank you to Night Owl Slade Point and Crusty's Bakery from donations towards our Breakfast program.

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Wednesday September  
7th  
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attend!***

## CULTURE DAY NEWS

**Girls:** doing a dance will need —

- hula skirt
- lei
- top (See Aunty Vicki—if you can't get a hula skirt)

**Boys:** doing the Huka dance —

- Black t shirt
- Black shorts

Island dance —

- White singlet

Smaller boys: 1/2 metre red material

Older boys: 1 metre red material

## CHAPLAIN NEWS

We were fortunate to have a visit from a Pathways to Resilience Trust presenter on Monday.

With the support of the Tim Fairfax Foundation, The Pathways to Resilience Trust conduct an annual resilience-building tour of regional Queensland. As part of the annual tour we were able to arrange for Slade Point School to be included in their schedule.

Year 4, 5 and 6 students all participated in Brain Talk for Kids. Research has demonstrated that teaching students about how their brain works – in particular, that the brain is plastic and can develop new capacities with effort and practice – makes a big difference in how constructively kids deal with mistakes and setbacks, and how motivated they are to persist until they achieve mastery.

It was presented in an easy to understand format discussing upstairs and downstairs brains, brain 'roles', neuroplasticity, a hand model of the brain, keeping your 'lid' on, neurodiversity, and choice requires skills.

The expected outcomes from the session are:  
Introduce students to their 'hardware' (the brain) and 'software' (the mind)

Understand how the brain works can help in cultivating happiness and wellbeing

Understand emotional regulation and self-regulation

Parents of the Year 4,5 and 6 students I encourage you to have a discussion with your child and see what they understood and if it has helped to motivate them to persevere in learning new skills.

There are informative discussions on Youtube by Dan Siegel if you wish to learn more about this.

Regards  
Chappy Lyn