

To the Point

9/ 2015 31st March 2015

Hi Everyone,

So they came with floppy ears and fluffy tails: At today's special parade we celebrated an Australian Easter tradition with a festive Easter bonnet parade. The children entered the parade as a fundraising activity for our own Chappy Lyn. Our wonderful Chaplain has two fully federally funded days only so each year we try to raise enough money to fund the third day. Chappy Lyn is a critical friend to all including students, parents and staff. She teaches the school values through short skits on parade and supports learners in and out of the classroom. The Easter hats were spectacular which made it very difficult for our judges. Thank you children and parents for supporting this invaluable fundraiser.

- **Attendance Breakfast Thursday 2nd April**
- **25 Tokens Rewards Thursday 2nd April**

19 wonderful Emerald awardees added to the Wall of Fame: Our Wall of Fame photos in the library are steadily rising towards the end of a very successful learning term. As many of our parents and community know, this year we introduced the Positive Behaviour for Learning Program or PBL as we often refer to it as and commenced teaching the children our three school expectations – Be a Learner, Be Respectful and Be Safe. The children have been taught in lessons what this looks like and students who have demonstrated these expectations regularly have achieved their Emerald award. For those children who are close to their first award keep bringing in your green tokens early next term and through this week. Thank you parents who for supporting this important occasion. Congratulations Emerald Award winners: Lane, Shinta, Finlee, Te-Harnie, Seth, Hayley, Usai, Eve, Skylar, Mikayla, Djarot, Isabel, Libby, Nolear, Freda, Aorangi, Kirrah, Aaron, Faith.

Positive Behaviour for Learning School rule expectation for the week: Our Positive Behaviour lessons this week focussed on Being Respectful – Mobiles and other devices to be delivered to the office on arrival. Technical equipment can be very useful but can also be used inappropriately, damaged or stolen. Our rules on this procedure are very clear and use of such devices are under staff lesson supervision only such as iPad work.

School improvement focus – writing: With the national tests next term for our year three and year five class, a good deal of the curriculum focus has been on student writing. As a school we have developed strategies to develop good writers in all year levels. These strategies include grammar and punctuation work, vocabulary development, spelling and sensational sentence writing. Any practice over the holidays keeping a journal or diary entries is time well spent.

Attendance brekky Thursday 8am: Today many students who have over 95% school attendance that does not include three or more days absent, late or leaving school early record will be invited at 8am Thursday for McSladie attendance breakfast cooked by the staff. An invitation will come home today. Parent assistance is much appreciated. Well done to those that have excellent school attendance.

Coming up next term:

- ★ Cross country representatives for Cumberland trials week two so keep training over the school break.
- ★ ANZAC Day school march will be the first Saturday back after week one—25th April. We are hoping to have over half the school attend for this one hundredth commemoration.

Please have a well-deserved happy and safe family holiday. See you all back for school **Monday the 20th of April.**

Rod Finney
Principal

Slade Point

STUDENT AWARDS

Lorraine, Hamard, Archy,
Hayley, Ella, Bree, Wolfe,
Nolear



ATTENDANCE — ICE-BLOCK WINNERS



9th Week: 5B! Well done!

EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE—TERM 1

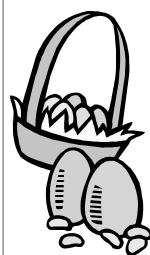
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YEAR FIVE/SIX CAMP—FAIRBAIRN DAM

Green notes have been handed to Year
5/6 students to go to Emerald for camp
in Term 3. **Please pay by Wednesday
1st April to secure your place. If we
do not receive number of students
we will cancel the camp!**

TERM 1 DATES TO REMEMBER:

- * **Attendance Breakfast 95%** —
Thursday 2nd April 8am Hall
- * **25' Tokens Reward Morning** —
Thursday 2nd April 9:30am at
McCreadys Creek
- * **Last day of Term 1** — Thursday 2nd
April
- * **School Resumes** — Monday 20th
April—Term 2 (not a pupil free day)



**We wish everyone a Happy
Easter and a safe holiday.
We will see everyone back
at school on Monday 20th
April.**

P&C NEWS

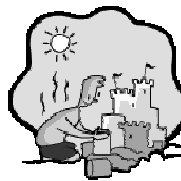
* **P&C brochure info booklet** has been sent
home to each family. If you would like to
donate **\$15 per family**, please hand back
your envelope with your name on front and
cash inside and hand it into the Brown P&C
Box in the office.



* **Chocolate Boxes** — Once you
have sold the box please return the
envelope with the money inside to the
office ASAP. **Money due back by
ASAP!**

REWARDS DAY—EMERALD AWARD

Students who have reached 25
tokens will be attending **McCready's
Creek on Thursday 2nd April**
leaving school at 9:30am and
returning around 11am. Please return
your medical forms to the office by **Wednesday
1st April.**



DISABILITY SERVICES

If you or a family member has a disability you
may be entitled to additional services and/ or
support. To register with Disability Services ring
the Intake Officer on 48986600. They will be
able to inform you about your eligibility.

Thank-you
Mrs Chris McGovern
Special Education Teacher

STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who supported our glow
products stall at the school disco. Due to your
generosity we have definitely started on our
fund raising journey towards making
improvements to the oval to make play time
better for everyone. We raised \$118.70 for the
Student Council after cost. A special mention
to Wolfe, Ebani, Ivanna and Bree for helping
Mrs McKean to sell the products.

CHAPLAIN NEWS

A big thank you to all those wonderful people who
put in a big effort to decorate or make an Easter
Hat for our Easter Bonnet Parade. There were
truly some amazing efforts and the judges strug-
gled to make decisions - in fact they ended up
awarding runner up prizes as well. Approximately
\$100 was raised to help fund my third day as a
School Chaplain at Slade Point School. This is
a very good effort and it will demonstrate to the
Chaplaincy Committee the School's support for
keeping my days at the existing level. A fund
raiser will be held each term so I look forward to
your support for the next event.

The winners were:

Prep –

1st place: Harper Boulding
Runners up: Phoenix Armstrong and
Taylah McLean



Year 1 –

1st place: Djarot Jenkins
Runners up: Chase Parnaby and Bailey Fenech

Year 2 & 3 —

1st place: Hayley Schatkowski
Runner up: Matthew Brown

Years 4, 5 & 6 -

1st place: Abbey Doull
Most Imaginative – Xander Pascoe
Prettiest – Symphony Kruck

Congratulations to the Prep and Prep/1 classes
for their beautiful presentation of "The Bucket
Filler" song on Parade this morning. I hope
everyone has a time of restoration over the
Easter break.

Chappy Lyn

ATTENDANCE BREAKFAST

A cream note has been handed
out to students today who have
reached 95% or more for at-
tendance throughout this term.
Breakfast will be on **Thursday
2nd April 8am in the Hall.** Please make
sure those students who received a note
they are on time.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

ATSICHS MACKAY YOUTH WEEK 15TH-17TH APRIL

Day 1: Wednesday 15th April, Victoria Park SS
10am—2pm, guest speakers: Preston
Campbell and Dr Chris Garland.

Day 2: Thursday 16th April, ATSICHS Carpark
31-33 Victoria St 10am-2pm. Painting mural in
carpark.

Day 3: Friday 17th April, Town Beach 10am-
2pm. BBQ & Touch Footy
Lunch and drinks provided and daily prizes if
you attend the 3 days you will go into the major
draw to win a PS4.

For further info and transport please contact
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