Hi Everyone,

Playgrounds erected on new sites: Over the weekend several of my school staff, some parents and I worked tirelessly over two very long days to dismantle, relocate and re-install the two playg rounds from the front of the school. Many parents have mentioned how lovely and open the school front looks now. With smaller school numbers we have had to have all our students play out on the large oval space. We are still to add soft fall (sand) though the quoted price for 67 cubic metres was nearly $2000. This may take some fundraising. Special thanks to Mr Ireland es, Mr Doull for supplying a crane, our staff, Mackay West Apex Club and Mr Leon Manzelmann for supplying the heavy machinery. Our groundsman Mr Bailey worked feverishly along with his son. Thank you so much for making this happen for the kids!

Student diaries should be used every school day: Every student is provided with a school diary as a daily communicato r with our parents. The children should be showing you every day and you can record absentee messages or anything you would like the teacher to know.

AFL programs up and running: Currently we have two AFL programs occurring in our school. The Auskick program happens every Wednesday afternoon and the year 4,5,6 children are participating in a school team program every Thursday morning. I loved the game where the children got to bomb the coach and the teachers by kicking their footy’s in the air towards them.

Wednesday ‘playgroup’ on every week: Every week we offer free playgroup for children aged two and up to kindy age four. The playgroup is a great way to socialise your child and meet other parents yourself. Mrs Walker would love to see you any Wednesday at 1pm through to 3pm in the building nearest the office – B Block downstairs.

Sports practice can use skilled parents: If you have Friday afternoons from 2pm – 2.45pm free and any athletic skills such as field or track events please come and see Mr McDowall. Your help is much appreciated.

Chappy Lyn’s message of the week: I love every week on parade hearing the children teach us an important Australian value. This week Chappy Lyn had the children present information about ‘gossip’ and how harmful it can be. The kids mentioned that gossip, which is talking about someone else, is like a match in the bush it starts with a flicker of a few words and spreads like a bush fire. Gossip is not cool and not part of our school Positive Behaviour Program.

Long weekend coming up:
• This coming Monday 8th June is a public holiday. School resumes Tuesday 9th June.
• Reminder dates: Week 10 (last week of term) – Monday 22nd June Reports cards ready for parent pick up
• Tuesday attendance breakfast and Half day sports
• Wednesday 24th June Sports day; Thursday 25th June Show Holiday; Friday 26th June Sapphire and Emerald rewards day and Movie ticket draw.

Happy Learning!
Rod Finney - Principal
STUDENT AWARDS
Phoenix, Bailey, Abigail, Lillie, Raedan, Dylan, Breannon, Melitta

ATTENDANCE — ICE-BLOCK WINNERS
5th & 6th Week: 3A & 1/2C! Well done!

EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE
Billy, Sarah, Sophia, Mary, Slater, Lorraine, Michaela, Wolfe, Ebani, Lili

SAPPHIRE AWARD
Te-Harnie, Javen, Skylar, Blaze, Mia V

TERM 2 DATES TO REMEMBER:
- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle — Saturday 6th June for Year 4, 5, 6 students to Eugella & Emerald camps.
- Queens Birthday Holiday — Monday 8th June (No School)
- Twilight Concert — Thursday 11th June in the hall 5:30pm
- PSHS year 7 2016 info talk to current year 6 students — Thursday 17th June
- Pie Drive delivery — Thursday 18th June
- Jump Rope for Heart — Thursday 18th June $2
- Report Cards to parents — Monday 22nd June
- Attendance Breakfast — Tuesday 23rd June
  - 1/2 Sports Day — Tuesday 23rd June—high jump, long jump.
  - 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

“CAMP FAIRBAIRN TERM 3”
Students attending the Year 5 & 6 camp in September: The second invoice for $50 has been sent home. *Pie Drive fundraising forms need to be returned NOW.
- We will be running another Sausage Sizzle this weekend — Bunnings’ North Mackay, Saturday 6th June. Helpers are needed for this Saturday please!
- Masters — Due to lack of parental support, this fundraising event has been cancelled. We will be helping the year 4 students at their fundraising event which is at Bunnings’ North Mackay Saturday 6th June 8am and will be sharing the profits.

“QSCHOOLS APP”
We hope families have downloaded our new QSchools App, 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!

STUDENT BANKING
Congratulations Ammy on receiving a Bronze Award achieving 10 deposits for this year. Well done!

MUSIC NEWS
Sladey Singers — students from Year 2 – 6 are invited to rehearse in preparation for the Eisteddfod in Term 4.
Twilight Concert — Thursday June 11th 5:30pm — Sladey Singers and String students will be performing. (Don’t forget to bring your donation for the “Winter Raffle!” to Mrs Miller)

WORKING BEE LAST WEEKEND
Thank you to Mr Finney, Mr Bailey and his son Hayden, Mr Paap, Luke from Apex, Mr Doull, Mr Irelandes, Mr Manzelmann, Mr & Mrs Mian and any other helpers over any time on the weekend for helping to move our play equipment to the new spot. We look forward to playing on it soon. We appreciate your help!

JELLY BEANS—HAVE A GUESS
Year 6 students are holding a raffle until the end of term. If you would like to have a guess to see how many jelly beans are in the jar, please see Miss Usher and the year 6 students. .50c a guess!

CHAPLAIN NEWS
This week on Parade we discussed the topic of gossip. We explained that it is a word used to describe talking about someone behind that person’s back. It is anything said that you wouldn’t be perfectly happy to say in front of the person you are talking about. Gossip can be very upsetting for a person. We illustrated that the tongue can do damage to a person emotionally a bit like lighting a match in the middle of a forest. At first only a few small twigs are lit and a small flame grows, then that flame catches onto another branch, and before you know it, the whole forest is on fire and precious things can be destroyed. Gossip is a bit like that. Little bits of information get lost as a story gets retold over and over. As people pass on information about another person, they can often add their own slant on a story and over-exaggerate parts to make it sound better. By the time the hurtful gossip gets around, it can be very far removed from the actual truth. That’s when damage can be done to the person who the gossip is about. There’s a really easy way for working out if something is gossip or not. Ask yourself the following question before continuing to pass on information: “Will this information build the other person up if they get to hear about it? Will it make them feel great about themselves? Or will it damage that person’s self image and make them feel bad?” You should know in your heart whether the information is helpful or not. Let’s all make a conscious effort to use our tongue to build up other people.

Chappy Lyn