



To the Point

12/ 2015 6th May 2016

- P&C Meeting
- Monday 9th May
6pm
- Monday Munchies
9th May

Hi Everyone,

Cross country runners surge ahead: This week we sent a keen enthusiastic team of runners to the Cumberland Sub-District Cross country trials. Mr McDowall and TJ were very proud of the effort shown by our students. Four senior girls qualified for the Mackay trial and another year 6 student is on stand-by as first reserve. We wish the girls the very best.

Mackay meteors special behaviour reward last Saturday night: Miss Armstrong and Miss Yarrow supervised six wonderful students selected for their consistent hard work towards their learning during teacher aide group work. The night was only saddened when our very own 'TJ' was fouled out of the game after slamming home several goals throughout the match. Slade Point School has a special bond with the Mackay Meteors and we are very pleased to offer this unique experience for our selected students. This week TJ has chosen students from the lower school for Saturday night's blockbuster. I am sure the children will have a great time.

NAPLAN tests for years 3 and 5 commence next Tuesday: Next Tuesday May 10th and the 11th and 12th of May the children in year 3 and 5 will sit the annual National literacy and numeracy tests. The test may take up to an hour so a good night's sleep is highly recommended.

Coming up this term:

- Monday Munchies is on Monday 9th May — Ham and Cheese only
- P&C Meeting Monday 9th May 6pm in the staffroom, all welcome to attend
- Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN Tests next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; 10th – 12th May. We will be supplying breakfast for the **NAPLAN** students only in the hall at 8am on those 3 days
- Free Sporting schools program involving athletics and touch football started this week.
- Year 4 Sausage Sizzle Sunday 15th May — Bunning's North Mackay 9am — 2pm
- Annual Sports day later this term – Week 10 Wednesday the 15th half day and Thursday the 16th June, full day

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

Noah, Damian, Alyica,
Eve, Fynn, Caleb, Mary,
Annalyse



ATTENDANCE — CUPCAKES WINNERS



3rd Week: 1/2C! Well
done!

EMERALD AWARD 25 TOKENS CERTIFICATE—TERM 2

Amiteal, Wolfe, Declan, Amerah,
Vin, Ella, Ivanna, Bree

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2

- **P&C Meeting** — Monday 9th May
6pm staffroom
- **Monday Munchies** — Monday 9th
May — ham and cheese only
- **Mobile Library Van** — Wednesday
11th May
- **NAPLAN** — 10th, 11th, 12th May—
Year 3 & 5 students only
- **Year 4 Bunning's Sausage
Sizzle** — Sunday 15th May

“YEAR 7 2017”

MACKAY NORTH STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Students interested in attending Mackay
North SHS in 2017 are able to
download an enrolment form from our
school website enrolments section.

**1st School tour is on Wednesday
18th May 5:30pm** meet at the
Junior Secondary Precinct on the deck
(behind the Admin building) **For further
information, contact us on 49631666.**

SWIMMING LESSONS—2016



Swimming Lessons for Prep—year 4 will
start in Term 3 on **Tuesday 23rd Aug for
8 weeks until Tuesday 25th October.**

Payment \$78: 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 letter
has been handed out to those students with all the
details.

BIKE EDUCATION — YEAR 4 STUDENTS ONLY

Permission/medical forms will have
gone home. **Bike Ed is on Monday
13th & Tuesday 14th June. Cost is
\$13.50 per student.** The P&C will
cover half of the cost per student. If you
wish to hand in the medical forms and
money, please put money inside an envelope with
your child's name/class/bike Ed into the box in the
office.



BOOKFAIR



Bookfair is on 23rd May all week in
the library.

NAPLAN TESTING YEAR 3 & 5 STUDENTS ONLY

NAPLAN is on next **Tuesday 10th,
Wednesday 11th and Thursday
12th May.**

Breakfast is supplied to these
students only each morning at the
hall at 8am.



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PIONEER STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Students interested in attending Pioneer
SHS in 2017 are able to download an
enrolment form from our website. We will be
visiting Slade Point State School early in
Term 3 to show what our school has to offer
in terms of academic, sporting and cultural
programs. For further information, contact us
on 4955 9222.

CHAPLAIN NEWS

We gave the children more tips of how to Fill a
Bucket on Parade this morning. I would
encourage you to discuss this with your child
and make a habit of asking if they have filled a
bucket today? This is definitely one sure way
to increase the happiness and satisfaction level
in their lives. Following is an interesting article
in Generation Next Newsletter dated 29th
September 2015.

**There's a Biology to Lasting
Happiness, and There May Be a Way to
Train Yourself:**

That uplifting feeling you get when something
good happens to you? Researchers now think
they know the part of the brain responsible for
it—and they suggest we may be able to train
ourselves to make those positive emotions last
longer. Their conclusions are based on a study
(paywall) conducted by scientists at the
University of Wisconsin, where psychologist
Aaron Heller and his team conducted an
experiment with more than 100 college
students involving a game. The researchers
also analysed brain scans, taken by an MRI
scanner, of 40 participants in the study. Here
they found that those who were happier for
longer periods of time after winning the game
had the longest activation in a part of the brain
called the ventral striatum which helps regulate
our reward system.

“People who sustain positive emotion the
longest in the course of minutes and hours
were those people who showed the most
persistent brain activity in an area that's
thought to be responsible for reward and
reward learning,” says Heller.”

Heller thinks that this research can help
scientists understand how we may be able to
train ourselves to be happier. This might
involve prolonged activation of the ventral
striatum, or we might just consciously choose
to savour moments of happiness—when we
take in a beautiful sunset, for example — in
order to make the emotional satisfaction last
longer. Chappy Lyn

MOBILE LIBRARY VAN

Mobile library van comes to our
school each fortnight on a
Wednesday. They next visit will
be on **Wednesday 11th May.**

****Parents/Guardians: Please do
not park in the mobile library
area, as there are signs!**



T20 BLAST CRICKET PROGRAM



This cricket program will be on
next **Thursday 12th May at
3:15pm—4:45pm on the oval.**
This is only open to the
students who have returned
their blue note.

UNDERSTANDING EPILEPSY

Introducing to epilepsy, recognizing the types of
seizures, seizure management.

When: Saturday 14th May 9am—12:30pm
(Registration 8:30am)

Where: The pansy wood centre, Whitsunday
Anglican School

Cost: \$60 — ‘Understanding Epilepsy’
\$80 — ‘Understanding Epilepsy &
Administration of Midazolam’
\$30 — Both sessions for EQI Individual
Members only

Cost includes morning tea

Please see the office for more info or if you
would like to book.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

National Day of Thanks Community Festival
FREE food, entertainment, family activities,
drinks

When: Saturday 28th May

Time: 10am – 3pm

Where: Jubilee Park, Mackay (Alfred Street-
near City Library)

It's a day to encourage thankfulness –
celebrating and appreciating our blessings.
Parents, grandparents, carers and relatives of
all ages welcome!