Dear Parents/Carers,

Principal’s Report – Week 4
What a great fortnight we’ve had at Central with school leadership speeches prominent as a huge highlight of the last fourteen days. All of our year five and six students should be very proud of themselves!

Student Leadership
With voting rolling out across the school over the past two weeks, we have now confirmed our school and house captain positions for 2017.

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Our class student council representative positions will be voted on this week with our school leadership induction parade now postponed until Monday February 27 at 9:00am in order to accommodate some very special guest speakers. We hope to see everyone there!

Attendance
I’m pleased to report a brilliant start to the year with zero unexplained absences for the first three weeks of school. This is a sensational effort and we thank you not only for keeping us informed when it comes to student absences but also for your patience as we’ve been ironing out a few small kinks in our new text message alert system (we think we’ve got it all sorted now!).

We are also right on track to maintain our school’s 2017 attendance target of 93% - keep up the fantastic effort everyone!

**CLASS OF THE WEEK**

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WHAT’S HAPPENING AT CENTRAL!

School leadership speeches

Homework Club
It’s been wonderful to see some of our students taking advantage of homework club. Remember Homework Club runs every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 8:30am in the library with our wonderful teacher aides very eager to assist our students.

Responsible Behaviour Plan
At our P&C AGM on Monday, our revised Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students was endorsed. Additions include updated graphics to assist students to practise ‘star behaviour’ and responsible problem solving. The full plan can be found on our website [here](#).

Safety Circus
This week our Year Three students experienced a treat in the form of the visiting Safety Circus Act. Students greatly enjoyed the performance, learned some valuable safety lessons and even became local celebrities with some of our students proudly reporting on the experience in a story aired on 7’s Local News.

Recycling Education
Following the great success of our Christmas display, we were excited to welcome back Mackay City Council’s Education Officer to present a recycling education session with each of our classes. Our students greatly enjoyed building on what is becoming quite a substantial knowledge bank!

P&C AGM
Our sincere thanks to all who joined us for our P&C AGM on Monday. It was great to see so many people in attendance! Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Friday February 24. In the meantime, be sure to join our P&C’s Facebook page: [Mackay Central State School P&C Association](#).
AUTHOR VISIT
Who: Rhonda Brown
When: Tuesday 21st February 2017
Time: Prep & Year 1 9:15am
       Year 2 & 3 10:00am
All parents welcome to attend. Books will be available to purchase.

STUDENT ABSENCES.
In line with the Education Act regarding compulsory attendance, it is necessary for Parents/Caregivers to provide a letter of explanation, or phone the school, regarding their child's absence from school. If your child is absent for any reason, please advise with a note on their return to school, or phone call to the office.

Our new phone system is set up to record your student's absence. When you ring the school number, just press 1 on the keypad and record student's absence details. If you wish to use this option, this will save you forwarding notes to the Class Teacher.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK BEGINNING 06/02/2017
PREP: Isabella Bradford
Isabella, what a fantastic start to the year you have had. You are a wonderful role model!

YEAR 1: Mateo Villamayor
Settled into our school like he has been here all the time.

YEAR 2: Olivia Luxton
For your detailed prediction in science.

YEAR 3: Sarah Bradford
Being well-organised and ready to start all activities. Well done!

YEAR 4: Aizy Gatchalian
Aizy, you are such a pleasure to teach. I feel very lucky to have you in my class!

YEAR 5/6: John Santiago
For being a committed and involved learner. Congratulations, John!

YEAR 6: Sha-Niece Bozier
Sha-Niece I would like to congratulate your perseverance to complete all of your work! You are a wonderful example to the class :)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK BEGINNING 13/02/2017
PREP: Jacob Cheng
You always listen carefully and follow the rules. Keep up the great work!

YEAR 1: Keerthi Suresh Velraja
Settling into Mackay Central and working to the best of her ability.

YEAR 2: Mac Jiro Cheng
For your consistent effort in Mathematics and English.
YEAR 3: Leana Cuasay
Keep up the great effort in class and for always showing kind hands to others.

YEAR 4: Liteeana Larry-Wilson
I am really proud of your consistent work efforts and wonderful helpful habits in the classroom! Well done Liteeana!

YEAR 5/6: Oran Quagliata
For your enthusiastic application toward the IMPACT numeracy program. Great effort, Oran!

YEAR 6: Sia Chuenjaidee
Congratulations! Woo Hoo! Yippee! What a fantastic School Captain you will make :)

YEAR 6: Alexander Wright
Congratulations! Woo Hoo! Yippee! What a fantastic School Captain you will make :)

STUDENT BANKING 2017
Get Ready for a very inspiring year of School Banking in 2017. This year's Dollarmites theme is Future Savers... Once you have reached 10 deposits you can choose one of the exciting new rewards... Remember, if you were a banker last year, your deposits carry over, so if you were at 8 deposits at the end of last year, you still have 8 deposits, and in only 2 short weeks of banking you can get your first reward for 2017.

Up for grabs this year are: Term 1: Cyber Handball or Colour Change Markers, Term 2: 3D Chalk Set or Tablet Case, Term 3: Smiley Emoji Keyring or Volt Handball, and Term 4: Pencil + Tech Case or Epic Earphones. As you can see there are some awesome rewards up for grabs from student banking.

This year, I will be continuing the school raffle for every deposit banked, and working out the average deposits for a classroom winner, and this year I have a very special prize for the class at the end of each term....

This year, please hand your deposit books to Miss Debbie in the office for my collection on Friday mornings. By now you should have all received your Back to school student banking information packs. We would love to see some new bankers this year. Thank you all, and have a great Term. Cassie Stone, Student Banking Co-ordinator.

P&C NEWS

P&C AGM
Our AGM was held on Monday 14th February. At this meeting we elected our 2017 executive committee. Congratulations to those elected; your new executives are:

President: Armie Astridge
Vice – President: Tammy Wanstall
Secretary: Amy Bradford
Treasurer: Denise Pope
COMMUNITY NEWS

Mackay Hospital and Health Service

Mackay Oral Health Services – School Dental Service

Dear Parents,

The School Dental Service is now offering services to students enrolled at your school. Medical/Consent forms will be sent home and need to be fully completed and returned to the school office by [Friday February 10th, 2017].

The school Dental Service will contact the parent/guardian to make an appointment at The Dental Drover parked in the school grounds [ ].

If you have any enquiries please phone [04 0906 4344].

A Parent/Guardian must transport and accompany their child to all appointments at this clinic.

For further information on this service, please visit our website:


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