Dear Parents/Carers,

Principal’s report – Week 9

Celebrate End Semester 1!! School Disco

A reminder about our end of term school disco this Friday evening. All students from prep to year 6 are invited. Please be aware that only Mackay Central State School students are permitted to attend this event.

- Date: Friday 19th June
- Venue: Mackay Central State School Multi-Purpose Hall
- Time: 5.30pm – 7.15pm
- Pizza slices are on sale for $2.50 per slice
- Cans of Lemonade, Coke, and Fanta are $2

All food and drink must be pre ordered. Please ask for another disco note from your class teacher if you haven’t received one.

Homework Club

We have been very fortunate to have partnered with the Smith Family Foundation to provide supportive programs and scholarships to our students in 2015 and beyond. During Terms 3 and 4 we will be delivering a Homework Club at Mackay Central State School. It will run on a Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 4pm commencing 29th July in the School Library. The Homework Club is for students to attend with their homework and receive support from the Tutors in understanding and completing their homework tasks.

You can register your interest in this program with the school or applications will be available from The Smith Family Office at the commencement of Term 3. For the Smith Family to successfully run the Homework Club we require volunteers to fill both the Coordinator and Tutor roles. Please register your interest if would like to be a volunteer in this program.

Sports Day

Last Tuesday was the most wonderful Sports Day for the Mackay Central community. As well as the fantastic spirit and skills of our students, it was wonderful to have the large amount of parents and friends who joined us and made the day so exciting.

Congratulations to all students who were successful in making this Thursday’s Southern Suburbs Athletics carnival at Mackay State High. Students may buy tuckshop at the High school. Information and prices are as follows.

There will be 2 short lunch breaks. First Break 10.45-11.05am & Second Break 1.00-1.20pm. Food from the school tuckshop will be limited.

- Chicken and Salad Lavash    $3.50   (cold)
- Sausage Rolls                        $2.50
- Chicken Burgers                    $3.50
- Lasagne                                 $4.00

A special thanks to our P&C for running their cake, coffee and soup stall. It’s always nice to have something warm on a cool winter’s day.

Year 3/4 Gardening

Our year 3/4 students would like to thank Bunnings at Paget and Blue River Landscape Supplies, who have kindly donated to our school a Vegetable Garden for us to plant some new seedling and a cubic metre of soil to prepare vegetable and herb gardens.

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please remember to call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.
SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY
The annual *School Opinion Survey* will be conducted between 29 June and 31 July 2015. All families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well, and how this school can improve. Access details for the *Parent/Caregiver Survey* have been sent home with students. If you haven’t received any survey access details by the end of this week, please contact Miss Debbie on telephone 07 4969 3111.

BAKERS CREEK MEMORIAL CEREMONY

ICT LEVY
Each year we ask that parents contribute a modest fee of $20 per student to cover the cost of 2 important programs that assist student reading and mathematics skills. The Reading Eggs and Mathletics programs are individualised for every student and can be accessed at home as well as at school. We ask that if you haven’t already done so, please bring the levy to school as soon as possible so that we can ensure every child has access to these important programs. **Students will be invoiced in Term 2 for outstanding fees.**

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. To date this term, we already have a large number of unexplained absences which Education Queensland will require us to report on. 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.**

A BIG THANK YOU TO IONA WEST MEN’S GROUP FOR CREATING A NEW HANDLE FOR OUR SCHOOL BELL.

JUNE
◆ Junior Bellear
◆ Yuan Ruska
◆ Kerry Anau
◆ Megan Daniel-Anau
◆ Kaiden Atridge
◆ Noah Namok
◆ Jandee Ebreo
◆ Ceah Attard
◆ Chonteal Stone
◆ Dan Kevin Asuncion
◆ Kaiky Zabini
◆ Francez Rabano

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK BEGINNING 01/06/2015
PREP: Junior Bellear
Junior has remained on task all week. Keep up the good work.

YEAR 2: Xavier Whitehouse
For being an excellent role model during Friday sports and helping the Preps. in ball games.

YEAR 3/4: Neah Garciano
I am so proud of the kindness you show towards your school friend's. You are a fantastic role model!!

YEAR 4: Chavarna Ellul
Always friendly to other students, listens in class and tries to do her best at all times.

YEAR 5: Russell Deveraux
You are an enthusiastic, caring and helpful class member!
YEAR 6: John Arcega
John's bookwork is always neat and well organised. Well done!!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK BEGINNING 08/06/2015
PREP: Kerry Anau
Kerry has made improvements in all areas this semester. Well done!

YEAR 1/2: Breath Canete

YEAR 2: Jakobi Holt
For always trying hard to improve his work.

YEAR 3/4: Hao Dong
An outstanding result in Reading Comprehension Hao! Well Done!

YEAR 4: Jaimie Stevenson
Jamie has shown a fantastic attitude towards everything she does at school. She could be Pupil of the Week every week.

YEAR 5: Juliana Delmo
Thank you for being the technology teacher on Friday! You are awesome!

YEAR 6: Isabella Quagliata
Isabella is showing great improvements and results in her school work. Well done!!

will collect them, and finalise deposits and return the deposit books to school. This is the only way I can guarantee that banking can happen every week. I am very sorry if this is of any inconvenience to anyone, but as I no longer have another co-ordinator, and my work commitments, this is the only fair way to continue. If your student is due for a reward I will put a slip in their deposit book and they can choose their reward. Reward counts continue from last year, so if you were up to 9 deposits then your first deposit this year will earn you a Reward. Thank you.

NOTICE BOARD
Please check our noticeboard for all the latest P&C news…

FACEBOOK PAGE UPDATE
For those of you who have Facebook, we now have a new Facebook page. We encourage you to join our page, as it is here you will get lots of important information that’s happening at our school. Search MACKAY CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION, this page is updated regularly with things happening at school. This is the best way to stay up to date.

COMMUNITY NEWS

LET’S READ PRE-PREP PROGRAM
Promoting reading with children
This program helps with:
• Listening
• Following instructions
• Taking turns
• Social skills
• A love for books and reading
• Join fun activities
• Develop ‘fine motor skills’

Come and join the fun at Mackay Central State School on Thursday the 30th April 2015 and every Thursday during the school term
For children 0-5 years
Time: 9:00am 10:00am
Where: Central School Library
For more information please contact Marlene at Shakespeare Child and Family Centre on Ph. 49 577 222
Or Email on: marlenes@georgestreeetc.org.au