

Ma Ma Messages



Hello Parents and Caregivers

Principal's Diary

Tuesday, October 16 - Assistant Regional Director Visit
 Thursday, October 25- Queensland Technology Schools Workshop- Toowoomba
 Tuesday, October 30 – Lockyer Valley Schools Cluster meeting
 Friday and Monday, November 2/5 – Personal Leave

Welcome back to term 4. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable and refreshing break and are ready for another exciting term ahead. Term 4 is always a significant time of the school year and this year is no different. At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to our year 6's who will be heading off to high school next year. Our year 6 students have worked hard throughout the year and we know that they will make the most of their last term at primary school and leave with fond memories of their time here.

Student Attendance

Last term we highlighted the importance of student attendance, 'Every day on time, ready to learn'. Our whole school attendance data last term was 86.38%. Our whole school attendance goal this term is to achieve above 92% for the term. As you can see we have some work to do to reach our goal. We will track our progress and keep you up to date as we aim towards reaching above 92% attendance for the term.

P&C

Our P&C have had a very busy few weeks catering. Last Sunday they provided a beautiful BBQ lunch for over 150 people from the Vintage Car Club at the Gatton Historical Village. The hard work and dedication of our P&C is greatly appreciated, the funds they raise go to benefit all students at our wonderful school.

Our next general P&C meeting will be held this Thursday, October the 11th at 5:30pm.

All are welcome, we would love to see as many people there as possible, to support our great school!

Digital Technologies

We are continuing on with our technology lessons this term with Mr Krogg. Mt Sylvia and Mt Whitestone Schools are joining us here each Monday morning. The first half of the term P-3 students will be working with iPads and robotics. The older students will work with Mr Krogg in the latter half of the term.

Quote of the Week

"Yesterday you did a good job, today you must do it better."



Swimming

Our annual lessons will kick off this week. The lessons will be supported by fully qualified instructors and school staff. They promise to be another outstanding opportunity for our students to become competent in water skills and to develop their swimming skills. Transport to and from the pool will be provided by private transport. We will depart at 12:45, lessons will run from 1:15 – 2:15 at the Gatton Aquatic Centre. There is no cost to parents for this activity.

Permission notes went home Tuesday and must be signed and returned by Friday morning at the latest.

Oral Health

Wednesday the 17th of October we will be joining Mt Whitestone and Mt Sylvania Schools for a visit to the Oral Health Education van. This is designed as an education experience relating to our health units and not a dental service.

Ready Set Go

We will be holding an open morning for Pre-prep students and their parents to visit our great school. Children going into prep next year will participate in some hands on learning while parents will be provided with information about what our school offers and tips on how to prepare their child for school. This program is designed to help the transition into primary school for our new preps and their parents be as smooth as possible. If you know of any families with prep aged children for 2019 in the area, we would appreciate if you would let them know of the program on offer.

High School Transition days

Lockyer High have some upcoming transition days for the year 6's who will be going into year 7 at Lockyer next year. Monday and Tuesday afternoons, November 12 and 13, students will head into the high school for some activities. While on Monday the 10th of December there will be a full orientation day at the high school.

Camp

Information regarding camp will be sent home early next week. Camp this year will be held on November the 21st, 22nd and 23rd. We will be travelling to Nunimbah Valley Environmental Education Centre with Mt Whitestone and Mt Sylvania State Schools.

Homework and School Diaries

Homework will be sent home each Monday and collected Friday to be marked. A reminder that it is an expectation at least 10mins of reading will be completed each night and the student's diary signed and returned to school daily to indicate reading has been completed.

Have a great week.

Nathan de Mey

Behaviour Focus

Week 1&2 - Review school expectations
Be Safe – Be Respectful – Best Effort





Market Report

“Salt dough Shape and Bake” activity at Ma Ma Creek Community Markets this Saturday 13th October 7am – 12noon. Come and support our small but growing market. Fresh Mulberry Slice will be on sale for morning tea along with our usual Fresh Fruit and Vegies and don’t forget our popular Garlic Butter.



Dates to Remember

Oktober Fest excursion Yr 6	Thursday 11 th October
P&C Meeting	Thursday 11 th October 5.30pm
Swimming Commences	Friday 12 th October (Week 1-8)
ARD Visit	Tuesday 16 th October
Oral Health Education Van, Mt Sylvia SS	Wednesday 17 th October
Student Free Day	Monday 22 nd October
Pre-Prep Open Morning	Wednesday 24 th October
Day for Daniel	Friday 26 th October
Yr 6 High School Afternoons	12 th and 13 th November
Camp	21 st – 23 rd November
Swim Carnival	Thursday 29 th November
Christmas Concert	Thursday 6 th December

Joke of the Week

Q: Who earns a living driving their customers away?

A: A taxi driver.

Q: What do you call a baby monkey?

A: A Chimp off the old block.



