



Ma Ma Messages

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Aim High With Praise

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Dates to Remember

March	
Week 6	
05	School Review Mobile Library Van
06	School Review
Week 7	
11	Grandparents Day
12	P&C AGM
Week 8	
19	Mobile Library Van
Week 9	
April	
Week 10	
02	Mobile Library Van Last day of Term

Principal's Diary

(This section of the newsletter outlines meetings and events during the school year where the Principal will either be out of the school or unavailable.)

05 – 06 Mar School Review

Students of the Week

Neika and Sam were the proud recipients of this week's Student of the Week awards.

Gatton Star Photos

Please note that the Prep and Student Leader photos that were taken by the Gatton Star last week will appear in tomorrow's edition of the paper.

In the Classroom

Sight Words Certificates:

Matthew: Emerald Words

Neika: Salmon Words

Zharlea: Blue Words

Phoenix: Violet Words

Reuben: Garnet Words

Homework Heroes

Each week your child is given a home reader to read each night and homework to be completed by the end of the week.

To acknowledge those students who commit to completing these tasks each week we have initiated our Homework Heroes where students will receive recognition both in class and through the newsletter.

Last week's Homework Heroes were: *Chase, Samuel, Toby, Sasha, Cindy, Damon, Neika, Shanoa, Jenayah, Koby, Crystal, Teejay, Trent.*

Students Leaders

Last Tuesday our four Student Leaders were presented with their badges of office, a certificate and a senior shirt.

We would like to thank Mr Ian Rickuss MP for coming along to present the students with their badges of office and Mr Storey from the P&C for taking the time to come along and present the shirts to the students.

Pictured below with Mr Rickuss and Mr Storey are our Student Leaders Cindy, Katie, Jenayah and Jasper.



Congratulations Cindy

Congratulations to Cindy Storey who has been selected to represent the Lockyer Zone in Tennis at the upcoming Darling Downs Regional Carnival in Dalby.

Grandparent's Day Reminder

The P-2 class would appreciate a visit from any grandparents who would be able to visit us on Wednesday the 11th of March, from 9-10am. We are looking at how life at home has changed over the years. Please contact the office if you are able to come on 5462 7271.

Bringing Toys to School

Unless they have been asked to by their teacher, we are asking that children do not bring toys from home to school.

When children bring toys from home there is a risk that these could get damaged or lost while at school and the school can take no responsibility for this.

School review – opportunity to have your say

Our school is scheduled for a school review from 05 – 06 March.

The Department of Education, Training and Employment has introduced new school reviews for Queensland state schools in 2015.

The reviews replace the teaching and learning audits, and are designed to help schools continue to improve outcomes for students.

The reviews do not rate or compare schools but, rather, give schools independent and quality feedback to help them improve teaching and learning at the school.

As with the audits, all schools will have a review at least every four years. A final report will be made available to parents and the community via the school website.

As part of the review, the review team would like to hear from you, our school community, and I encourage anyone who is interested to have their say.

Your feedback is important and will help us continue to deliver a quality education for students.

If you are interested in speaking to the reviewers please be at the school at 2:30pm on Thursday 05 March.

If you would like more information about the review process please speak to Mr Pearen.

Further information about the reviews is available from the department's website at: education.qld.gov.au/schools/scho

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CHAPPIE'S CORNER

Food for Thought

Gossiping is something that we have probably all done at one time or another. Do you enjoy having the latest bit of news to share with others? I know it's enjoyable "chatting" about friends. You might ask, 'What's wrong with a bit of gossip?'

You might feel it's quite harmless.

The opposite is true.

Gossip is extremely damaging. It has been known to destroy relationships. Long term friendships have been destroyed by a few carelessly spoken words. In the case of Facebook gossip there have been people who have committed suicide because of things that have been said about them.

In many cases the story that has been passed around turns out to be untrue, and yet it has still caused enormous emotional pain. It has been said that gossip can sometimes cause more pain than a physical wound. That old saying of sticks and stones is just so wrong.

The next time that you feel tempted to pass on an interesting story about someone else; stop for a moment and consider the amount of pain that your few moments of enjoyment might cause.

Treat others the way you want to be treated and refuse to pass on gossip. Better still try to find something positive to say!

P&C News

Pub Raffles

The following dates are those where our P&C Association conducts the raffles at the Tenthill Hotel.

20/03; 29/05; 31/07; 02/10; 04/12.

If you are able to help on any of these evenings, please let the P&C Executive know.

Tuckshop

Tuckshop will be every Monday and orders need to be in by Thursday of each week.

Please place your money in an envelope and write your order on the order form attached to each week's newsletter.

We would like to thank Tenthill Store who are the providers of the lunchtime food component of our tuckshop each week.

P&C Meeting

The P&C AGM will be held on Thursday 12th March at 5:30pm where the executive for 2015 will be elected. I would encourage any member who wishes to nominate for an executive position to come along to this meeting.

Community News

Ma Ma Creek Hall Markets

The Ma Ma Creek Hall Markets are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 7am until 12 noon.