



Ma Ma Messages

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Aim High With Praise

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Dates to Remember

TERM 2	
Week 4	
12	NAPLAN
13	NAPLAN
14	NAPLAN Mobile Library Van
15	Cross Country
Week 5	
Week 6	
28	Mobile Library Van
June	
Week 7	
Week 8	
08	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
11	Mobile Library Van
Week 9	
Week 10	
25	Mobile Library Van
26	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.)

Students of the Week

Zharlea and Cindy were the proud recipients of this week's Student of the Week awards.

In the Classroom

Sight Words Certificates:

Chase: Pink Words
 Matthew: Mint Words
 Zharlea: Orange Words
 Trent: Scarlet Words
 Hannah: Emerald Words
 Neika: Mauve Words
 Lachlan E: Pink 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.

Last week's Homework Heroes were: *Chase, Toby, Matthew, Teejay, Sasha, Cindy, Zharlea, Trent, Shanoa, Jenayah, Dusty.*

Cross Country

Students aged nine (Born 2006) and above this year, will be participating in the Lockyer Zone Cross Country This Friday 15th May at Lake Apex.

The expectation is that all of our students in these age groups will participate on this day.

We are asking for parents to be responsible for taking their children to and from the Cross

Country or organising transport for their children.

The students have been training hard with Mr Donaldson and have been training themselves during the week.

Mother's Day

We certainly hope all of the mothers had a wonderful day last Sunday and enjoyed the gifts that the children made for them at school.

Playground for Tender

The school would like to offer the old playground at the front of the school for sale by tender.

This adventure playground is in reasonable condition with some parts needing repair.

Offers for this playground are to be in writing and to the school office by 4:00pm on Friday 05th June.

The playground can be inspected at the school by making prior arrangements with the Principal.

The playground is offered on an 'as is' basis and all costs for removal are to be borne by the buyer.

The school reserves the right not to accept offers and tenderers are required to disclose any interests or links with school employees.

No warranties are implied or given on the items.

Tenders are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "CONFIDENTIAL – OFFER FOR ADVERTISED ITEM."

Chappie's Corner

5 Ways to Pursue Happiness

Mental health experts suggest many ways we can seek the good life:

1. Give

Generosity is beneficial to your physical and mental health. Making someone else happy not only makes you feel better, it delivers measurable improvements in some health conditions. Doctors suggest that moving attention from ourselves may reduce exposure to stress hormones. Giving also empowers those who receive.

2. Connect

Your mother was right to point out that it's not all about you. Social researchers say that looking outward instead of inward is fundamental to giving life meaning and keeping perspective. For those struggling with isolation and loss, re-engaging in community may begin with rediscovering the joy of helping others. Look for opportunities through community groups or churches.

3. Have faith

Believing that we are connected to something larger than ourselves and that our lives have meaning is an intrinsic human need. Research shows that an active spiritual life can have physical and mental health benefits.

4. Love mercy

Express gratitude for the good things in life. Love and mercy are two sides of the same coin and health professionals agree. Anger and resentment are very aging.

5. Be engaged

Be mindful of what's happening in the here and now rather than worrying about the past or future. Life is now.

Quit reading about happiness and go and talk to a real person. Go on, the list is all finished!

P&C News

Tenthill Turnout Raffle Donations Needed

If you are able to donate any items for the raffle that the P&C are conducting at the Tent Hill Turnout it will be greatly appreciated.

These items can be delivered to the school any time prior to the event which is the 23rd May.

Urgent Baking Needed

The P&C Association are catering for a function this Sunday and would appreciate it if you were able to provide items of baking for this event.

If you are able to provide baking could this please be dropped to the school by Friday 15th May.

Pub Raffles

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

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 next P&C Meeting will be held at the school on Thursday 21st May at 5:30pm.

Community News

Neighbourhood Watch

Local Neighbourhood Watch covers the area from Grantham to Fordsdale and looks forward to listening to your ideas and concerns on the 13th May 7 pm at Ma Ma Creek Hall. Meeting normally goes for an hour followed by cuppa and chat. It is a great way to meet others if you are new to the area. Hope to see you there.

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.