



# Ma Ma Messages

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*Aim High With Praise*

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## Dates to Remember

<b>March</b>	
<b>Week 8</b>	
20	Mobile Library Van
<b>Week 9</b>	
28	Softball/Cricket Carnival
<b>March/April</b>	
<b>Week 10</b>	
31	P&C Meeting
03	Mobile Library Van
04	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.)**

**02 Apr** Explicit Instruction Workshop

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## Students of the Week

Clayton and Alex were the proud recipients of this week's Student of the Week awards.

## In the Classroom

### Sight Words Certificates:

Deena: Buttercup Words

Tiffanie: Green Words

Matthew: Orange Words

### LOTE- German

#### Language Perfect

Language Perfect is a website to help students learn vocabulary in different languages. The children are very enthusiastic about using it and already some have shown an improvement in their German word knowledge. Many children are enjoying the chance to try out other languages as well. We currently have a subscription for the Lockyer schools, but may not be able to cover the cost next year. The site can be accessed both at school and at home if you have internet access, so please ask your child to show you how it works. We would like your thoughts later in the year as to whether you think it is worthwhile, and whether you would be willing to contribute towards the cost of a subscription. There will be a world-wide competition in May, and those students who choose to compete could win iTunes gift vouchers, iPods and more.

## Oktoberfest

This year Oktoberfest for Teens will be held at the RNA showgrounds in Brisbane on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October. This year we will be inviting both Year 6 and Year 7 students to attend. The cost will be about \$40 –entrance and bus fare. The entrance cost includes lunch and rides for the students, as well as a traditional gingerbread heart (Lebkuchenherz) to bring home. We will send out a letter with more information closer to the time, but this gives students time to start saving. If they save \$2 a week of their pocket money, they will have the \$40 plus some spending money to take.

Fiona Chapman

## Change to Tuckshop

As a result of the closure of the Ma Ma Creek Store, the lunchtime food component of our tuckshop will now be provided by the Tenthill Store.

A new menu has been attached to this newsletter. Please take the time to peruse this menu and note the changes. The process for ordering tuckshop is outlined in the P&C News section of the newsletter.

We would like to sincerely thank Patricia and Cecil Stuart at the Ma Ma Creek Store for their support during their time at the store.

## Collection of data on students with disability

The collection of data on school students with disability helps assist teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

By 2015 all Queensland schools will be required to collect such data.

This year, our school is one of the schools now required to provide the data on students with disability.

Only aggregate level information, which will not identify any individual student, is part of the collection this year. The only data being reported nationally are:

- the number of students who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability,
- the level of adjustments that we provide for those students,
- and the broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you as we support your child.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the Department's website:

<http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html>.

Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

## P & C News

### 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 Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 8:00am. At this meeting the main agenda item will be the new playground.

### Catering Thanks

The P&C Association would like to thank those people who provided baking and helped out with last Saturday's catering event. Your support and help is very much appreciated.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Netball Come and Try Days

Lockyer Valley Netball Association  
Come and Try Days!

29th March

9am - 10:30am

FREE drills and games for ages 8-13, both boys and girls welcome.

Cahill Park Complex Gatton.

### A signed Laura Geitz netball to be won each day!

Those interested in finding out more about coaching/umpiring netball this year also welcome to attend.

## Lockyer Valley Libraries

### Boredom Busted

Lockyer Libraries has your school holiday activities sorted! A range of boredom busters have been scheduled to run throughout April.

Activities range in age groups from 5 to 16 year olds, so if you are looking for entertainment these holidays head to the Lockyer Libraries and come to life in a world full of opportunities.

**Lego** – test your skills and see what you can make with just 25 blocks? (8 and 15 April) Free

**Games, Games, Games** – play indoors at the Library! (9 April) Cost: \$2

**Cubee Paper craft**, make a new friend to take home! (14 and 17 April) Cost: \$2

**Design your own friendship bracelet** (10 and 17 April) Cost: \$2

**Get creative and make a foil sculpture** (11 and 15 April) Cost: \$2

Bookings are essential with activities held at both the Gatton and Laidley libraries.

For further information visit [www.lockyervalley.qld.gov.au](http://www.lockyervalley.qld.gov.au) or call Lockyer Valley Libraries on (07) 5466 3434 or (07) 5466 8867.