



Ma Ma Messages

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Aim High With Praise

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Dates to Remember

TERM 2	
June	
Week10	
25	P&C Meeting
26	Memorial Tree Planting Mobile Library Van
27	Soccer/Netball Carnival Last Day of Term
TERM 3	
July	
Week 1	
14	School Resumes

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.)

In the Classroom

Sight Words Certificates:

Ashley: Cranberry Words
 Deena: Amethyst Words
 Trent: Green Words
 Terry: Flamingo Words

Students of the Week

Ashley and Terry were the proud recipients of this week's Student of the Week awards.

Miss M-G Memorial Tree Planting

The staff and students would like to invite any parents or community members who are available to attend a sausage sizzle and tree planting in memory of Miss M-G.

This sausage sizzle and tree planting will be held at the school this Thursday 26th June at 1:00pm. If you are able to make it please come along and share your memories of Miss M-G.

Library Books

Could parents please remind the children to return all of their library books to the school before the end of this week.

Report Cards & Interviews

Report cards will be sent home with your child on the first day of next term. This is to allow us to complete assessments this week and provide the most up to date report on your child's progress. The reports go into great detail about your child's progress but, once you have read your child's report, if you would like a chance to discuss this progress with your child's teacher, please contact the school to make an appointment.

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.

Soccer/Netball Carnival

This Friday some of our Year 4,5, 6 and 7 students will be participating in the annual Soccer/Netball Carnival in Gatton. A reminder to parents that it is your responsibility to arrange transport to and from the respective venues on the day.

Return Stitchery

Students are asked to return the stitchery that they completed earlier in the year to school this week so that it can be included in our entries for the Gatton Show.

Ma Ma Ck Exhibition Poster Competition

Congratulations to the following students who achieved places in the Ma Ma Creek Exhibition Poster Competition.

Prep-Yr 2

1st Tiffanie

Yr 3/4/5

1st Cindy

HC Sasha

Yr 6/7

1st Jelica

2nd Bernie

HC Terry

Chappie's Corner

Helping children learn positive friendship skills - Part 3

Key points for supporting children's friendship skills

Parents, carers and school have important roles to play in helping children develop friendships. They can set positive examples for children to follow, act as coaches for children; they provide someone to talk to about friendship issues.

Teach positive social skills:

Observe your child to work out the negative social behaviours your child uses too often and the positive behaviours they could use more. Little things like smiles, looking at the person, knowing names, using a confident friendly voice can make a big difference when making friends. Being able to better control negative emotions and paying attention to the wants and needs of others is important too.

Teach one behaviour or social skill at a time and make sure your child can use it before you introduce another. Show your child what to do. You could act out a situation and even demonstrate what to say. Take

turns "acting" until your child can demonstrate what to do. Don't be too serious – make it a fun experience!

Be a coach:

Coaching is critical for helping children use new skills in real-life situations. Coaching involves prompting, reminding and encouraging (but not nagging!) children to use the skills they have learned. Coach your child to practise positive skills in everyday situations with family members and friends. Support their learning by giving positive feedback and praise. Eg "I was so proud of you when you smiled at ... and asked him if he wanted to play with you."

Helping children solve friendship conflicts:

Talking problems through with a supportive adult helps children think about what happens, how they feel about it and what to do next. Thinking things through like this helps to build more mature social skills.

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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 Wednesday 25th June at 5:30pm.

Community News

Ma Ma Creek Exhibition

If anybody is able to assist the kitchen at the Ma Ma Creek Exhibition by donating Patty Cakes, Cup Cakes or Slices it would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to provide any of these items of cooking they can be dropped off at the hall on the morning of the Exhibition, Saturday 27th July.

NRL Holiday Clinic

Date: 3 July 2014

Venue: Gatton Rugby League Club

Address: Gatton

Registration: 9.00am

Clinic Times: 9.30am to 12.30pm

Cost: \$45.00 includes: NRL pack (Football, Kicking Tee, NRL bag, Truckers Cap, Water Bottle)

Age Group: 6 to 12 years of age.

Learn rugby league skills and play fun games.

To Register please use link below to register and pay on line.

<https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regofrm.cgi?formID=30703>

Any questions please contact

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