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**Dates to Remember**

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**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.)

**Market Update**

Please remember Saturday, 13th June as the date for the next Ma Ma Creek Markets. The year 5 and 6 have once again decided to run their stall. This time they will be making and selling Sticky Date Puddings with bottles of Butterscotch Sauce, as well as notepads, cakes, plants and other goodies.

**Students of the Week**

Dusty and Trent were the proud recipients of this week’s Student of the Week awards.

**In the Classroom**

**Sight Words Certificates:**

- Neika: Amethyst Words
- Matthew: Navy Words
- Sapphire 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, Samuel, Toby, Matthew, Teejay, Lachlan T, Sasha, Cindy, Zharlea, Neika, Jasper, Trent, Jaden, Shanoa, Jenayah, Koby

**Edible Garden**

Last week we picked most of our green capsicums in the school vegie patch, prepared a savoury mince filling and some cheesy white sauce. All students were involved in harvesting, cooking and stuffing the capsicums with the mince. We had them on Thursday for lunch. They were delicious. We stuffed around 39 capsicums, so there were some leftover. We will be using the leftovers to make a dish of Lasagne in the next couple of weeks.

**Attendance Matters**

If your child has a red slip attached to this newsletter, please take the time to read it as it outlines your child’s current attendance rate which is well below our school target of 96%.

Research shows that students who have good attendance are more likely to achieve high results at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons which will help them to achieve to their full potential.

**Reducing Litter Award**

The Lockyer Valley Regional Council held a competition recently where schools were asked to document how they are reducing litter in the Lockyer Valley.

Under the leadership of Mrs Schmidt, our school entered this competition and subsequently were announced the winners.

Last Tuesday on parade the Lockyer Valley Regional Council Mayor, Steve Jones, came to the school to present the prizes for the competition. These prizes were a Compost Bin, Worm farm and Mini iPad.

We would very much like to thank the council for these wonderful prizes and especially Mrs Schmidt for her work in preparing the entry for the school.

Below is a photo of our School Leaders, Mrs Schmidt and Mayor Jones with our prizes.
P&C Day
This Friday the 29th of May is P&C Day. This day, held each year, is a chance for us all to recognise the contribution made by the hardworking volunteers on the P&C. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank the parents and carers who give up their time to make a difference for the students at our school.
We have a very small but dedicated and hard-working group of parents who continually volunteer their time for our school and we would like to sincerely express our gratitude for their ongoing efforts.

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
Food for Thought
One of the most interesting people I have ever heard of is a young Queenslander called Nick Vujicic. This man was born with no arms or legs and by the age of 6 had become convinced that his life could never amount to anything worthwhile. His future looked very bleak.
Nick had no idea that he would become a world renowned speaker.
He didn’t realise that he had been blessed with an amazing gift for encouraging others. In his adult years, he has visited many countries and has toured many areas of Australia, using his life story to transform the lives and attitudes of many thousands of people.
Nick reaches out to all those who are struggling with problems, teaching them ways to face life’s difficulties, just one step at a time. This man has had to overcome some incredible hurdles in his own life and yet joy and love just radiate from him.
If you haven’t encountered Nick, please let me suggest that you visit http://www.attitudeisaltitude.com/ – you will be amazed at this man. In particular check out the video clip “No Arms, No Legs, No Worries.” Just click on the tab for his story and then click on the bullying tab. His attitude is hard earned and amazing.

P&C News
Tenthill Turnout Thanks
The P&C Association would like to thank all those people who provided donations for the Tenthill Turnout raffle on Saturday night. This raffle was very successful with wonderful prizes on offer.
The P&C would also like to thank very those people who helped out on Saturday. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C Meeting will be held at the school on Thursday 11th June at 5:30pm.

Community News
Assist Vanuatu Recovery
Just a short reminder about the donations for Vanuatu. The chaplains of Lockyer District and Laidley High Schools have organised a container to be filled with donations to support people in Vanuatu affected by the recent cyclone. Please contact Eva Schmidt at school, if you have goods you would like to donate. Pick-up can be organised.

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.

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.