



Ma Ma Messages

Ma Ma Creek State School and Community

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9th November 2017

Dates to Remember

November	
11	Remembrance Day Ma Ma Markets
19	Social Tennis
21	Hall Meeting
23	Swimming Carnival
29	School Camp begins

The calendar will also be available on the school's website for your perusal at any time.

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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.)

From the Principal

As we welcome in November, we know that the pace will be hectic between now and Christmas. Please encourage your students to turn up every day, ready to be the best person they can be. Learning becomes enjoyable, and almost effortless.

Our behavior focus for this week is to be an active class member, which comes under our values of respect (for self), integrity, and effort. Please ask your students to tell you what that means, and how

they do it. It would be an added bonus if you ask them in the afternoons whether or not they were active class members today. This will help them to understand that you think it is important that they try their best.

Next week's behavior focus will be "I am a good sport." You might like to talk to them about what that means to you.

We are expecting the turf to be laid in the morning, so we would appreciate it if you could drop the students off at the bottom gate, just for Friday, and ask them to walk up through the flagpole area.

In line with our sustainability focus, we are having a litter-free lunch week next week. It would be great if you could support us in this. We've asked students to think about types of lunches that don't come in packaging, for example fruit and sandwiches, so that we have no litter from our lunches next week. This also has a side bonus. If we stay away from packaging, we tend to make healthier choices!

The chooks are VERY happy in their new enclosure. I think they're wondering what they did to deserve it, we know it's all those wonderful eggs they lay. I'm not sure about Steve's reason.

The Year 4 and 5 students have successfully launched the rockets they built last term. What a spectacular display! All different

types of rockets, and all with different recovery systems, and... they all landed in the school grounds! Well nearly all. Toby's landed just outside, and Ty's... well, sorry Mr Sippell. We're very grateful to Chappy Tim for the opportunity.

Camp forms are coming home today for the 3 -5s. Please fill out the form, and return it with the \$30 bus fare at your earliest convenience.

PBL

By Deena

Congratulations to all our award recipients this past fortnight.

Student of the Week:

Week 4 -Krystal Connelly

Week 5- Tyrone Connelly

Homework Heroes:

Week 4- Deena and Teejay

Week 5- Lillian, Zharlea, Nicola, Toby, Chase, Deena, Cristyn and Teejay

Just a reminder that we would like to include a community representative on our PBL panel. This will require a commitment of one full day of training each term, and attendance at PBL meetings once a fortnight. If you are interested, please contact the school on 54627271.

Social Tennis

Thank you to all the members of our community who have attended



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social tennis when the weather permits. Our next tennis afternoon will be on Sunday, 19th November 2017 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Please come along, and invite your friends and family. Children are welcome to bring their bikes and make use of the bike track on these occasions. The P&C will put on a sausage sizzle, and are looking for gold coin donations to support it.

Litter Free Lunchboxes

We have all been very aware of our lunchbox choices. It has been wonderful to see everyone making healthy choices and being conscious of the packaging and litter generated by our lunches.

Swimming

Please remember to bring your swimming bags on Friday.

Remembrance Day

By Zharlea

Saturday the 11th November is Remembrance Day. The Remembrance Day service will be at the Ma Ma Creek Cemetery. The service will begin at 10:30am with an address by Lockyer Valley Regional Council Deputy Mayor, Jason Cook.

Pre-Prep Day

We are running a Pre-Prep program every Thursday of this term. If you know of any pre-prep age children, please encourage their families to contact the school about joining in.

Homework

A brief reminder that homework is handed out every Tuesday, and it is to be completed and returned by the following Friday. Please ensure that your child or children return their Homework Folders daily for home reading, and complete their homework for a Friday submission.

Classroom Volunteers

We would like to encourage our parents to volunteer in our classrooms this year. The best time for us to have volunteers in the classroom is from 11.30am – 1pm (Mon – Fri). These times are when the students are involved in their Literacy Rotations and extra help would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to volunteer at these times please be aware that to provide consistency for our students and the learning program, we would ask that you commit to being here at the time and day you nominate for the whole term, so that routines can be followed, and learning time is maximised.

Ideas or Concerns

We really appreciate parents/carers raising any ideas or concerns they have around their child's education as soon as they occur. To ensure that these can be dealt with efficiently and effectively, we ask that you make an appointment for an interview with either the teacher or Principal to discuss these concerns.

Whilst we are more than happy to have an informal chat with parents/carers at the school gate before or after school, this is not the place to raise issues or concerns around your child's education or welfare.

Thursday is my day off class. If you would like to make an appointment to speak with me, please do so either before or after school or on a Thursday after 10:30 am.

We look forward to your continued support, as we venture fearlessly into the world of learning.

Ma Ma Markets

Our next market will fall on Remembrance Day, Saturday 11th November 2017 from 7 – 12. Student Project club is hoping to make and sell fresh lemonade on the day, as well as fresh Anzac Biscuits made at school. Please talk about the need of students being involved in this very educational activity. Ultimately, the students at Ma Ma Creek S.S. are the ones that will be involved in how the money, raised by Project Club, will be spent.

Groundskeeper Position

Information about job vacancy

Warm regards,
Maree and staff



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