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Students of the Week
Ashley and Levi were the proud recipients of this week’s Student of the Week awards.

In the Classroom
Sight Words Certificates
Sasha: Flamingo Words
Levi: Lavender Words
Ebony Words

Caffey Athletics
Thursday 08th August
Where: Ropehill
When: Start at 8.15 am and back at school by 3 pm
Who: Everyone
Students aged 9-12 years will need to return both permission notes (one for each day) but only one Medical Form which will cover both days.

Please Note that as the expectation is that ALL students will attend on Thursday there will be no staff at school on this day as we will all be at the carnival.

Whole School Camp
A booking has been made at Murphy’s Creek Escape for a whole school camp in term 4. The dates for this camp are the 22nd – 24th October. A note outlining more details on this camp will be sent home in the near future.

Fire Education

Last Monday the students participated in the annual Fire Education program. The presentation was very informative and the students enjoyed using the fire hose and sitting in the Fire Truck. The Preps particularly enjoyed setting off the lights and sirens on the truck.

What is Neighbourhood watch?
Neighbourhood Watch is both a philosophy and an approach to working together as a community to reduce crime and enhance community safety. NHW has been operating in Qld since 1988. NHW Qld encourages communities to join together in small informal groups for the purpose of improving the safety of their families and other people who live, visit and do business in their neighbourhood. It also encourages interaction and a shared sense of responsibility between individuals, neighbours and communities for preventing and reducing crime.

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.)

09-20 Sep Long Service Leave

Show Holiday
Please note that next Monday 12th August is our Show Holiday and students are not to attend school on this day.

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You are welcome to attend the local neighbourhood watch meeting on the 14th August at Ma Ma Creek Hall at 7:30pm.

**Sensational Stir-Fry**

Last Thursday, the staff and students created a wonderful chicken stir-fry with the vegetables from our garden. This was a great experience for our students who picked and prepared the vegetables for this meal.

**Chappie’s Corner**

**Parents are people too!**

Too often as parents we are expected to do things we may feel are beyond our ability; sometimes we feel that we don’t do a great job and wonder how our parents managed in their day. It may be helpful to look at parenting from a different perspective, what are your strengths, what you do well...

Here some questions to ask yourself:

1. **We all do many things as parents that are positive and worthwhile for our kids. What are my strengths as a parent?**
   Make a list.

2. **Our children, teenagers do lots of things that we can be proud of. What are the things your children do that you are proud of?**

3. **We all play an important role in helping our children become who they are today. What are some of the ways you have contributed to the things about your child that you are proud of?**

   When we’re a bit stressed we often forget to focus on the many important things we do well as parents and the many good qualities of our children.

   Reminding ourselves of our good points and the good points of our kids helps us feel good about ourselves and our children.

   Taken from Resourceful Adolescent Parent Program, Ian Shochet, Sue Osgarby and Carmel Dyer. QUT, Brisbane, 2002.

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**Ma Ma Ck Exhibition**

Thankyou to all of those people who helped out at the BBQ stall at the Ma Ma Creek Exhibition last Saturday. Your support and assistance is very much appreciated.

**P&C Meeting**

The next P&C meeting will be held at the school on Thursday 08 August at 5:30pm.

**Tuckshop**

Please note that there is no tuckshop next week due to the Show Holiday.

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 Patricia and Cecil Stuart at the Ma Ma Creek Store who are the providers of the lunchtime food component of our tuckshop each week.

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