



Ma Ma Messages

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Aim High With Praise

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Dates to Remember

December	
Week 10	
12	Last day of Term
2015	
January	
Week 1	
27	School Resumes

Students of the Week

Chase and Terry were the proud recipients of this week's Student of the Week Awards.

In The Classroom

Sight Words Certificates:

- Samuel: Red Words
- Sam: Blue Words
- Zharlea: Red Words
- Terry: Magenta Words
Lavender Words
- Neika: Mustard Words
Yolk Words

Thanks

As this is the last newsletter for the year, I would like to express my sincere thanks to many people.

I would like to thank the staff of the school who continually put so much work into our school and consistently show so much pride in our school. The work that they do is often way beyond what would be reasonably expected from staff. They really are a credit to our school. I would like to thank them for their support and really look forward to working with them in 2015.

Thanks must go to the small band of people who make up our P & C Association for all their hard work to provide our students with great resources and wonderful opportunities. These people lead busy lives but always make our school a high priority and give up so much time for us. Special mention to the executive of Grant Storey, Kim Hyland, Mario Brischetto and Janelle Warburton. A special thanks must go to Jill and Dave Halstead for the work that they put into our school grounds. We are so lucky to have people who take so much pride in what they do. The school always looks magnificent and it is something that we can all be proud of.

We would also like to thank Mandy Roworth for her volunteer work in our classrooms this year.

I'd also like to thank our most valued assets in our school, the students. I feel so much pride in being part of the Ma Ma Creek State School when I am with the students because of the way they conduct themselves wherever we are.

I wish our Year 6 & 7 students Bernie, Connie, Jelica, Terry and Reece all the best as they move on to meet many new and interesting challenges in life beyond Primary School.

Finally, I would like to wish all of our families all the best for the Holiday Season and a safe and happy New Year.

Back to school in 2015

Parents and carers are reminded that the first day of school for all state school students is Tuesday 27 January 2015.

Report Cards

Reports will go home on Wednesday 10 December.



Keep a watch on our school these holidays

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school.

If you see something suspicious, please don't intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Break-Up Day

Friday 12th of December is our last day of the school year. There will be a sausage sizzle, drinks and ice blocks provided at school at 12.00 pm as lunch for the whole school. Please come and join us if you are able.

Chappie's Corner

What is Christmas for you?

There is something special about this time of year, isn't there? Yes, I know many of us are flat out, trying to get work completed before the Christmas break. I know things can also be rather stressful at the shopping centres - fighting over car parks and dealing with the crowds. And there is the challenge of spending time with certain family members over the holidays.

Most families develop their own special Christmas traditions: it may be walking or driving around to look at the Christmas lights; perhaps you like to have your own Christmas lights display. For some families the Christmas tree goes up on the 1st December, for others it happens just before Christmas Day.

In Queensland we tend to prefer a cold Christmas lunch / dinner featuring seafood rather than a traditional hot roast, though somehow the special hot Christmas dinner has appeal. As long as I don't have to cook it!

For many of us the lead up to Christmas with end of year events, social outings leaves us almost exhausted before the big day. If you have to travel from one family to another on Christmas Day it can be stressful and tiring. At the end of the day we are left exhausted and feeling like the stuffed Christmas turkey!

Some families like to go away to the beach or camping or perhaps stay at home and enjoy a relaxed Christmas Day in the shade... or air-conditioning.

Whatever your Christmas traditions, I hope and pray that your family will be safe and be able to enjoy the peace of Christmas.

I look forward to seeing you in 2015.

1. What often falls at the North Pole but never gets hurt?

Snow!

2. A donkey carried Mary to Bethlehem. What do you call a three legged donkey?

A Wonky!

3. What is Santa's dog called?

Santa Paws!

P & C News

Christmas Raffle

Thankyou to all of those people who made donations to our Christmas raffle. Thanks also to all those people who purchased tickets in the raffle. The raffle was a huge success with over 500 tickets being sold. Your support is very much appreciated.

Tuckshop

We would like to thank Tenthill Store who have been the providers of the lunchtime food component of our tuckshop this year.

Community News

Markets

The Ma Ma Creek Hall Markets are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 7am until 12 noon.

Ma Ma Creek Community Carols

The Ma Ma Creek Community Carols will be held on Sunday 14th December at the Ma Ma Creek Community Centre from 11am. Please see attached brochure for more details.