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Ma Ma Messages
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Dates to Remember

February
Week 4
20 Mobile Library Van
21 Zone Swimming Carnival

Week 5
24 School Leaders Badge Presentation Planning Meeting

March
Week 6
06 Mobile Library Van

Week 7
13 P&C Meeting (AGM)

Week 8
20 Mobile Library Van

Week 9

April
Week 10
04 Last day of Term

Students of the Week
Lachlan and Alex were the proud recipients of this week’s Student of the Week awards.

In the Classroom

P-2 & 5-7 Science, P-2 History
Please note that your child has been given a copy of their current unit’s assessment task for their reference. It is not intended that the students complete this at home but has been given to them so that they are aware of the assessment requirements.
Feel free to discuss these tasks with your children to get them thinking about their upcoming assessment. Some of these tasks contain work not yet covered which will be covered later in the term.

LOTE – German
Hi, my name is Fiona Chapman and I am the German teacher at Ma Ma Creek for 2014. I have spent the last six years teaching both German and Music in the South Burnett and am looking forward to working with the children at your school. I have been impressed with students’ current knowledge of German and have felt very welcomed. I am based at Gatton State School and will be servicing eight schools within the Lockyer Valley for 2014. I have always wanted to work within the Lockyer Valley and am enjoying my new beginning and getting to know the students at your school. Students are currently working on a unit on Families which will involve some revision of previously learnt work, while learning new concepts in relation to jobs and chores that family members undertake. Alles beste, Frau Chapman

Special Meeting – School Planning
There will be a meeting at the school on Monday 24th February at 5:30pm in regard to school planning and budget for 2014.
At this meeting I will present the Annual Implementation Plan, Budget and Great Results Guarantee for approval. I would encourage all interested members of the school community to attend this meeting.

School Leaders
Yesterday our 3 prospective Student Leaders presented their speeches to the school. I would like to congratulate Terry, Jelica and Bernie on their speeches and the manner in which they have started the year.
Next Monday morning on parade (8:45am) our Student Leaders will be presented with their badges of office.
The Student Leaders will also be presented with a certificate from Mr Scott Buchholz (MP) Federal Member for Wright.
Unfortunately Mr Buchholz will not be able to attend as in
previous years but sends his best wishes to the school community. Our P&C President, Grant Storey will present our Student Leaders with their Senior shirts on behalf of the P&C Association.

**CHAPPIE’S CORNER**

**Kids Helpline** is a free, private and confidential, 24 hour counselling service for young people aged 5-25 years. Counselling is offered by phone, email and online. They answer almost 6,000 calls each week from young people all over Australia, who call about a wide range of issues and problems. Find out more about why young people call Kids Helpline. No problem is too big or too small to talk with the counsellors about. If you need to talk with someone, call Kids Helpline on **1800 55 1800**, or contact them by email or web. Remember, the call is private and callers don’t have to tell them their name.

During our Peer Skills Training students will have an opportunity to participate in a call made by me to Kids Helpline so they can hear about the service and ask questions of the counsellor. This is the website: [http://www.kidshelp.com.au/](http://www.kidshelp.com.au/)

It would be really helpful if you sat with your child to make a call just to say hello to a counsellor or go online and explore the website. As parents you will feel better when you are familiar with the service, the website and you will be able to guide your child how to use the site appropriately.

Chappy Margaret Thorpe

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

**P&C Meeting**

The AGM of the P&C Association will be held on Thursday 13th March at 5:30pm where the executive for 2014 will be elected. I would encourage any member who wishes to nominate for an executive position to come along to this meeting.

**Catering Help Needed**

The P&C have two catering events coming up on Saturday the 01st and Tuesday the 11th of March. The first of these is in Rosewood and the second is at the Ma Ma Creek Community Hall. If anybody is able to assist the P&C by providing baking for these events it would be greatly appreciated.

Any items you are able to bake for these events can be dropped at the school between 9am and 12 noon on the Friday before the events.

If you are able to assist the P&C in preparing and serving food on the day please contact the school. Remember that all of these fundraising events directly support your child’s education.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Found Dog**

This little dog was picked up yesterday morning near the entrance to Dry Gully Rd. He has a brown collar, a brown patch on his eye and near the top of his tail. If you know who he belongs to please contact Gemma 54626702 or Mt Whitestone School on 54626717.