



Newsletter 6 - Week 10 Term 1 2026



PRINCIPAL - Kylie Vaughan

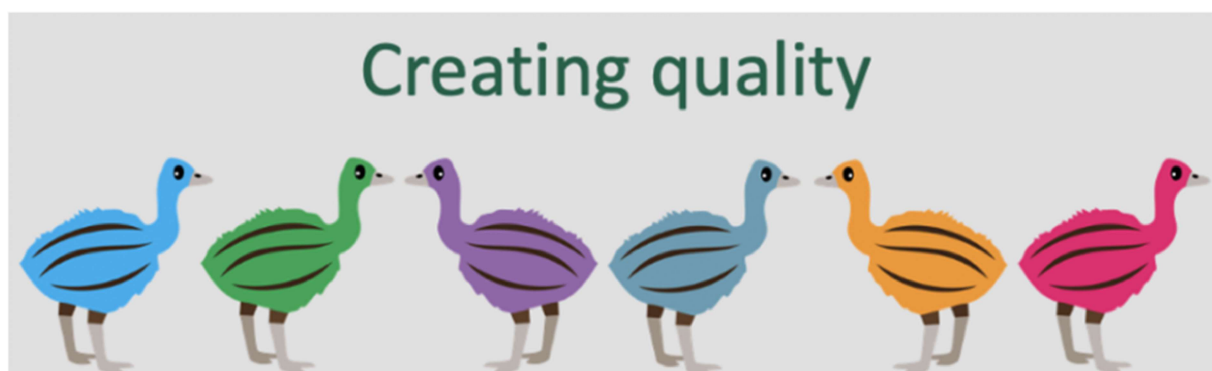
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Well, that's a wrap on Term 1!

It's been an incredible ten weeks of high-quality learning to kick off the year. I've had the opportunity to visit every classroom across our wonderful school and I am consistently impressed by the outstanding teaching and learning taking place, as well as the strong engagement of our students, who continually strive for quality in all they do. Everton Park State School is such a special place to learn, and I feel truly grateful every day to be part of this remarkable community.

This year, our focus is on:

Creating quality learning and engagement for all.



What have we achieved this term? We've:

Strengthened connections and built positive relationships in our new classes through morning connection routines and Kagan cooperative learning structures.

Developed a deep understanding of our whole-school expectations by unpacking social stories, engaging in our fortnightly Belonging and Engagement lessons, and listening to *Class Spotlights* at assembly.

Taken part in morning *Walk and Talk* sessions, fostering connection while incorporating movement to support wellbeing and self-regulation.

Strengthened home-school partnerships through our Parent-Caregiver Teacher Information Evenings and by sharing celebrations and next steps at Parent-Caregiver Teacher Meetings.

Proudly recognised our Year 6 leaders as they stepped into their roles as positive role models within our school community.

Deepened our understanding of texts through rich shared and dialogic reading experiences with our classroom teachers.

Participated in DIBELS assessments, providing valuable insights into reading progress to inform planning and next steps for Term 2.

Supported our Year 3 and 5 students as they approached NAPLAN with focus, determination and resilience, giving their very best effort.

Celebrated the richness of diversity within our school community through Harmony Day.

Challenged ourselves and demonstrated perseverance during our Cross Country event.

Explored our passions in Years 3–6 through weekly Enrichment Pathway activities.

Showcased our quality learning with pride at our year-level Super Q events.

Expressed our creativity and had a fantastic time at the Easter Hat Parade.

It's been a wonderfully busy and rewarding term. I wish everyone a safe, relaxing, and well-deserved Easter break.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, 20 April for the start of Term 2.

National eSmart Week – Keeping Kids Safe Online

This week is National eSmart Week, a nationwide initiative that supports children in being safe, responsible, and positive online.

In our fortnightly Belonging and Engagement lessons, students have been learning how to stay safe online and practice **respectful** behaviour in digital spaces. They've also been exploring our Do 5 Hand, which guides students in the steps to take to stay safe online.



Today 5MM were visited by Peta Simpson from the Alannah & Madeline Foundation as part of eSmart Week. Peta delivered an eSmart lesson titled *Detective Day Training: Becoming a Content Clue Cracker*.

It was a fantastic opportunity for students to build their confidence and skills in navigating the online world safely and responsibly.



You can find more helpful resources around online safety [here](#).

Online Chats

One area that continues to be a challenge for all school is online chats between students outside school hours. When students engage in group chats after hours and behaviour becomes disrespectful, it can impact school life, which is when the school will often become involved.

We strongly encourage all parents and carers to:

Set clear boundaries around device use at home, ideally keeping devices in shared or public spaces

Monitor chats and have regular conversations with children about **respectful** online behaviour

Ensure children are only in chats with people they know well and trust

Working together in this way helps keep students safe, **responsible**, and positive online.

Celebrating Quality: Super Q

This week, we welcomed families into our classrooms to celebrate the high-quality learning that has taken place throughout Term 1. It was wonderful to see students confidently share and reflect on their work, demonstrating a strong sense of ownership and pride in their achievements. Experiences like these emphasise the importance of recognising growth while fostering a supportive environment where every student is empowered to achieve their personal best.

Goodbye Miss Parkinson

Today we bid farewell to one of our long-standing team members, Miss Meg Parkinson. This year, Meg has been working in the role of Head of Department for Belonging and Engagement, supporting students and staff across our school. With a Master's degree in Guidance, she is now looking forward to applying her expertise in her new role as Guidance Officer at McDowall State School starting in Term 2. We wish her every success in this exciting next chapter.

Recruitment to fill Meg's position will commence at the start of Term 2.

Book Club Volunteer Opportunity

We are currently seeking a volunteer to coordinate our school Book Club. Without this support, it may be difficult to continue offering this valuable service to our students.

If you are interested in taking on this role and helping to foster a love of reading across our school, please contact our Teacher-Librarian, Alex Moran, via email at amora48@eq.edu.au.

Thank you for considering this rewarding opportunity and for supporting our school community.

 SCHOLASTIC

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

Commemorating ANZAC Day

Everton Park School Ceremony

On Friday, 24 April, at 9am, we will hold our ANZAC Day Commemoration Service. Families and community members are warmly invited to join us as we honour and remember those who have served.



To support our ceremony, students are encouraged to bring greenery to school on Thursday, 23 April. This is a slight change to our usual practice. To avoid the rush on Friday morning, classes will assemble their wreaths the day prior, allowing time to create them thoughtfully and carefully.

If any parents or carers are available to assist with wreath making, we warmly welcome your support on Thursday. Please let your class teacher know.

Gaythorne Dawn Service

The Gaythorne RSL warmly invites Everton Park State School students to take part in the ANZAC Day Dawn Service on Saturday 25 April.

The march will begin at 6:15 am from Sid Loder Park, followed by the commemorative ceremony, where representatives from our school will lay a wreath.

Students who wish to participate are asked to wear their full school uniform and meet Miss Vaughan at 6am at Sid Loder Park, ready to proudly represent our school community.

State Schools are Great Schools Night

New families to our school might like to consider coming along to the *State Schools are Great Schools Night* at Ferny Grove State School on 30 April at 6pm. Join leaders and teacher from our cluster schools and discover what makes

our state schools great!

STATE SCHOOLS ARE GREAT SCHOOLS

PARENT NIGHT
FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES OF ANY OF THE SCHOOLS LISTED

THURSDAY 30 APRIL 6:00 PM

FERNY GROVE STATE SCHOOL HALL
FINVOY STREET, FERNY GROVE, QLD 4055

Join Leaders and Teachers from each of the primary and high schools listed for an engaging and informative evening celebrating the incredible opportunities available at our local state schools!

This is a unique chance for prospective parents to learn more about the outstanding education, programs, and community spirit that make our local state schools so great.

And the best part? You can discover them all in one convenient location!

- FIRST-HAND INSIGHTS FROM LOCAL SCHOOL LEADERS AND TEACHERS**
- NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY WITH FAMILIES FROM OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES**
- ENROLMENT PACKS FOR 2027**

No need to register - just turn up on the night with your questions ready!

Our local state high schools will also be in attendance on this night. If you are thinking about enrolling your child at Ferny Grove, Mitchelton or Everton Park State High Schools, come along and explore high school options too.

School Photos – Save the Date

Get those school uniforms polished and your brightest smiles ready because school photos are happening in Week 2 on Monday, 27 April, and Tuesday, 28 April!

Group and portrait photographs can be purchased by following the link below or by returning the order envelope with your payment to our photographer on school photo day.

order your school photos now

to order visit: www.advancedlife.com.au
enter code: DJV 72C F5X

scan to order

or collect a cash order envelope from your school office

advancedlife
school photography & print specialists

School photography information:

Online orders - do not require an envelope returned to your school

Sibling photos - Don't forget to pre-order your sibling photos online up to 24 hours before photo day. Advanced Life provide the school with a list of sibling orders right up to the day of photography, so no one misses out. If you miss the online order deadline, you can submit a completed sibling order envelope first thing in the morning of the day of

photography, so the school is aware you want the photo taken and can bring your children together in time for it. Sibling photographs only apply to children enrolled at the school.

Late fees - a late fee will be applied to each package purchased after photo day due to the additional cost of producing these packages separately

Package delivery - School photographs will be returned approximately 6 weeks after the day of photography. Please note this delivery timeframe is dependent on proofing and additional photography days at your school.

Previous years' photos - Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups are also available to order under the "previous years or group photo" tabs at the advancedorder site when you click on the "Order School Photos Here" button. You can also order past packages, portrait images and gifts from your child's unique, individual and secure advancedyou image archive site using the unique 9 digit image code found on packages you have ordered in the past

You can find the schedule for class and group photos below.

Monday 27 April 2026

TIME	GROUP
8:00	Sibling Photos
8:50	PDO
9:05	PKR
9:20	PSB
9:35	1AB
9:50	1MK
10:05	1NM
10:20	1/2JG
10:35	2AJ
10:50	3DM
11-11:40	School 1st Break
11:05-11:15	Photographer break
11:20-11:45	Sibling Photos if required
11:45	2BF
11:55	2CH
12:05	3SV
12:15	3TP
12:25	3/4CM
12:35	4NY
12:45	4SM
12:55	Senior Concert band
1:10-1:50	School 2nd Break
1:20-1:50	Photographer Lunch
1:55	5JV
2:05	5MM
2:15	5SL
2:35	Senior Strings Orchestra



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Jacki Schott

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Happy Holidays!

As we reach the end of term 1, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our students, staff and families for their continued support, partnership and dedication throughout the term. It has been a busy and rewarding time filled with learning, growth and many moments of success across our school.

I am incredibly proud of the way our students have embraced our school values, working hard in their learning and supported one another in class and in the playground. As the term comes to a close, I hope all families enjoy a well-deserved break filled with rest, fun and time together. I wish you all a very happy Easter and hope the holidays bring special moments with loved ones.

I look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another fantastic term ahead.

Easter Hat Parade

What a show!!





UQ Hearing Screener

Our school has engaged the UQ Health & Rehabilitation Clinics to provide a Hearing Screening Program for all students in their first year of full-time schooling and students new to our school, on May 6 and 27.



Research indicates that hearing difficulties may have a significant effect on a child's ability to learn. Children with a hearing loss may experience speech and language delays, educational difficulties, behavioural problems and often require increased educational support. A child's hearing may change over time so it is important to monitor your child's hearing even if they have passed a previous hearing test.

The screening will consist of the following:

Pure tone screening audiometry under headphones only for 0.5-4kHz

Screening tympanometry (an objective assessment of middle ear function to help determine the presence of middle ear dysfunction)

Screening Otoacoustic Emissions where required (for example if it is difficult to obtain audiometry results due to child compliance for testing)

A summary of the results will be sent home with your child in the form of a booklet with

recommendations based on the results obtained. These recommendations could include further testing at the UQ Health & Rehabilitation Audiology Clinic or similar clinic, or a referral to a General Practitioner for medical intervention.

Screening takes approximately 10-15 minutes per child and will be adapted according to your child's age and responses. The screening will be performed by Master of Audiology Students under the direct supervision of a qualified Senior Audiologist.

A letter will be sent to all parents/carers of children in their first year of full-time schooling and children new to our school. Please ensure you return permission for your child/ren as soon as possible after receiving the letter. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with a Disability

One of our priorities for Term 2 is working with teachers and the Inclusion Team to ensure that all supports in place for students are documented and communicated with parents and carers. This work underpins the **Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with a Disability** (NCCD).



Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the NCCD. This process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

year of schooling

category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional; and

level of support provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

formally recognise the supports provided to students with disability in schools

consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools

develop shared practices so that they can review the supports in place in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child/ren and your child/ren will not be involved in any testing process.

The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified, as the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured.

I will be sharing more information about the NCCD throughout Term 2, so if you have any questions, or would like to know more, please feel free to contact me at school.



HEAD OF DEPARTMENT - CURRICULUM - Kira Balaam

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Understanding Your Child's Reading

Reading research has grown significantly over the past few decades, leading to important changes in how reading is taught in schools. This research shows that children learn to read most effectively through explicit, instruction in phonics, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension.

As a result, teaching practices have shifted towards structured lessons that build strong decoding and language skills. One of the key changes you will notice when discussing your child's reading with their teacher is that we no longer discuss 'Reading Levels' informed by PM and Probe tests. Instead, we now use DIBELS testing to monitor the growth of student's reading skills.

DIBELS is an evidence-based universal screener recommended by the Department of Education to monitor student's growth in reading development. DIBELS is an acronym that stands for Dynamic Indicator of Basic Early Literacy Skills. It is implemented as a series of short, timed test that target different knowledges and skills needed to be competent readers

The research surrounding the *Science of Reading* supports the use of structured, skills-based assessments in reading. Subtests within DIBELS can provide useful and reliable data on specific early reading skills.

Implementing DIBELS helps school staff to identify how students are progressing against year level norms and allows us to target our teaching and direct our physical and human resources in the best way to support student growth

Each year level completes a different series of tests to capture a complete picture of what students can do. All tests, except for one are completed one on one with the teacher and have a set time limit of 60 seconds. The final test is completed with the whole class has a time limit of 3 minutes. Students complete DIBELS testing 3x per year: Beginning, Middle and End of Year

At Everton Park State School we do not use DIBELS data to inform English achievement grades that are reported on End of Semester Report Cards. We use DIBELS data to **track student growth and to inform next steps** for individual students to support the development of their reading skills.

If a student is identified as not reaching the appropriate year level benchmark, our teachers and support staff collaborate to design personalised support and intervention strategies to further develop their skills.

With the introduction of Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum, there have been changes to how reading is assessed. Tasks where teachers read texts aloud are now called Listening Comprehension. In contrast, **Reading Comprehension now requires students to independently read and respond to an unfamiliar, year-level text.**

What is fluency?

Reading fluency is the ability to read text smoothly, accurately, and with appropriate expression. A fluent reader doesn't have to stop often to sound out words. They can read the text at a steady pace.

Why such a focus on Fluency?

Whilst fluency is not a measure of reading comprehension, the Science of Reading tells us it is the best indicator we have to predict future comprehension outcomes.

When a student is able to read fluently, they are able to attend to the meaning and structure of the text, rather than focus their energy on decoding the words on the page. Research shows that our brains need to process words at a set pace to effectively derive meaning. In classrooms, we actively teach and practice reading fluency every day

How to support your child to develop fluency at home.

Encourage a wide range of reading as well as repeated reading of the same text. It is beneficial for students to read passages aloud as it provides you with the opportunity to monitor their accuracy and support decoding difficult words. A text is appropriate for fluency practice if students are able to read 95% of the words on their own. Reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions



HEAD OF BELONGING & ENGAGEMENT - Meg Parkinson

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Being kind – It really matters

At Everton Park State School, we take being kind seriously as we know that kindness is the most powerful and useful of all social-emotional skills.



Below is an article written for Psychology Today by Kyle.D Pruett M.D. I thought it explained the virtues of kindness well and at the end, it even has some helpful tips.

It starts with the following story:

Sam had been on his last nerve most of the day, so when his best friend refused to share a beloved game on his tablet, he demanded (within his mother's earshot): 'Kenny should go home. He's being mean!'

As the youngest of four, Kenny had heard it all before; he ignored Sam and kept thumbing away. Sam yelled his demand louder, and his mother answered from the kitchen, 'Be nice, Sam, or Kenny will want to go home.'

Silenced, Sam waited his turn, visibly fuming. As Sam's mother retold the incident to her father at dinner, his response surprised her: 'Look, nice is good, but I'll take kind over nice any day.'

Doing something that benefits another when it's not required, without anything expected in return—that is a kind thing to do. Younger children think of such things in terms of their consequences, not in terms of intentions or morality. While most people think kindness must be taught, I've seen toddlers walk across the room to share a toy to comfort a crying peer. What do they do next? They usually stand nearby to see if it worked. Typically, they get mellow and seem satisfied. It's as if they know it is better to give than to receive.

And that is just what the science of kindness says. A meta-analysis from [Oxford University's Kind Lab](#) found that **performing acts of kindness improves the well-being of the giver more than it does the well-being of the receiver.** That is why kindness is the most powerful and useful of all social-emotional skills. It does a body good, always. It also paves the way for all the other important social-emotional childhood skills to be more effective. Sam would have eventually felt better if he'd let Kenny play on.

How do you make it matter to your child and you:

Think, and then talk, often about kindness, positioning it as something that can be done every day. What does kindness look like in someone else? How does it feel to be kind? How does it feel to have kindness done for you, especially one that surprises you? As you answer these questions for yourself, you will be better at helping your children find the words to describe their own kindness experiences.

Kindness is like yawning, it's socially contagious. When adults are genuinely kind to one another, children tend to feel comfortable and more emotionally regulated. When children see it around them and hear it talked about as a value, it becomes crystal clear that kindness is expected and treasured within the family. That's why it's important to make it an explicit goal of family (and school) life. Of course, mistakes will be made, but intention counts a lot in kindness.

Use literature to explore acts of and stories about kindness as you read to your children and grandchildren. As you read, try to pretend you don't already know these lessons. Ask the child, or children, to whom you are reading questions: 'I wonder what will happen next?' Or 'How do you think the characters feel when they are being kind or

unkind to one another?' Some examples of books include Mo Willems' "My Friend is Sad,' Laurie Heller's "Do Unto Others" and Bob Graham's "How to Heal a Broken Wing.

Have a lovely Easter holiday and we hope you enjoy many acts of kindness over the break.



The Arts - Anita Kendes

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2026 Programs

Please note the following **changes** to the 2026 programs.

<u>Program</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>
Ukulele Jammers – Years 3 – 6 (Group A)	Mondays 1:10 - 1:30pm (second break play time)	Hall
EPSS Choir – Years P – 6	Tuesdays 1:10 - 1:30pm (second break play time)	Hall
Ukulele Jammers – Years 3 – 6 (Group B)	Fridays 1:10 - 1:30pm (second break play time)	Hall

2026 Live Arts Performance

A live Arts performance has been booked for Wednesday 13 May, 2026 for all students, as a part of The Arts and English curriculum programs. The aim of the activity is for students to experience and engage in a live Arts performance, as audience members.

Activity details

Shake & Stir Theatre Co - 'Fairytale remix'

Wednesday 13 May, 2026

1st Performance: Years Prep - 2 9:00am – 10:00am

2nd Performance: Years 3 - 6 10:00am – 11:00am

All performances will be in the school hall. Students will be supervised by their classroom teachers. All performers have met the Blue Card requirements to perform at our school.

Activity costs:

The cost for students to attend the performance is **\$9.90** per student. Consent forms and invoices have been sent out via QParents. If you require a hard copy of the consent form, please see the administration staff in the school office.

Consent forms were due by Friday 20th March and **invoices must be paid by Friday 1st May**, to ensure your child's participation.

Music Shirts

All Instrumental Music students (current and new recruits) are required to wear a Music shirt for Instrumental Music events. This is optional for all Choir students. Our school uniform shop now manages the ordering/selling and distribution of our school Music shirts, via Flexischools. The price for a Music shirt is \$40 (including GST). Second hand Music shirts are also still available for purchase, directly from the school uniform shop for \$15. A big thank you to Maria from the school uniform shop for organising this for us!

Miss K

The Arts Teacher

School Performing Arts Coordinator



Fanfare

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Instrumental strings students in Fanfare!

Our strings student are so excited to be playing at Fanfare this year at Wiston state school on the 21st of May. Ms Kirks would love it if the girls could wear a green or yellow tutu for the performance, so please let us know if you already have one!



Office Request for donations

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Single Flat Sheet Donations

We are looking for donations of single flat sheets for the school's Health Room.

If you are doing any sorting out these Easter holidays and you have any single flat sheets you'd like to donate, please drop them at the office next term.

Thank you!



Enrolments 2027

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EVERTON PARK STATE SCHOOL 2027 PREP INFORMATION EVENING

WHEN: WED 13 MAY 2026
WHERE: EPSS LIBRARY
TIME: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE @
[TRYBOOKING.COM/DJRJM](https://trybooking.com/djrjm)
OR CALL 3550 2222



2027 PREP ENROLMENTS OPEN 20 APRIL 2026

DOES YOUR CHILD TURN 5 BEFORE 30 JUNE 2027?
WE INVITE YOU TO ENROL THEM IN PREP
AT EVERTON PARK STATE SCHOOL

WANT MORE INFO?
COME ALONG TO THE INFORMATION NIGHT
WED 13 MAY 2026
BOOK NOW @ [TRYBOOKING.COM/DJRJM](https://trybooking.com/djrjm)
OR CALL 3550 2222



Cheerleading news

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Miss R will be away for the beginning of Term 2. We will start back on:

Squad - Thursday 7 May (3-5pm)

Pretty and Pink - Thursday 7 May (2nd break)

Pups - Monday 11 May (7.45-8.30am)

Royal Blues - Monday 11 May (1st break)

Have a great break and I'll see you in Term 2.

Miss R:)



ANZAC Day invitation

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Lest we forget

Everton Park State School
invites families to join in the

EPSS ANZAC Day Service
Friday 24 April 2026
9am
EPSS Terraces

Special guests and Defence families are invited for
light refreshments in the administration courtyard
following the service.

Defence families RSVP to Mrs Jacki Schott
by Tuesday ~ 21.04.26

jscho62@eq.edu.au
3550 2222



Playtime Clubs & Activities

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PLAYTIME CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

MONDAY
2ND BREAK - UKULELE JAMMERS GROUP A
MISS K (MUSIC ROOM)

TUESDAY
1ST BREAK - DANCE CLUB
MISS ISAAC (HALL)
2ND BREAK - EPSS CHOIR
MISS K (MUSIC ROOM)

WEDNESDAY
1ST BREAK - STUDENT SPOTLIGHT
MRS GIBBS (1/2JG)
1ST BREAK - CHESS MATES
(OFFICE COURTYARD - PAY TO PLAY)

THURSDAY
1ST BREAK - DANCE CLUB
MISS ISAAC (HALL)

FRIDAY
2ND BREAK - UKULELE JAMMERS
GROUP B
MISS K (MUSIC ROOM)

EVERY DAY - 1ST AND 2ND BREAKS
LIBRARY, BASKETBALL, TABLE TENNIS, SHED,
PREP/YR 1 PLAYSACE




P&C News

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☕ PeakerBoo Coffee Van is back in Term 2!

Great news, PeakerBoo Coffee Van will be returning in Term 2 and will be onsite every Friday morning.

Behind the shed at the top of the terraces

7:45am to 9:15am

Swing by for a coffee and ease into your Friday morning ☕



Thank you, Liz

After many years of caring for our students and keeping the tuckshop running day in and day out, our wonderful Tuckshop Convenor, Liz, will soon be finishing up at EPSS.

For so many of our students, the tuckshop has been a constant part of their school experience, and that is largely thanks to Liz's time, care and effort over the years. From busy lunch orders to friendly chats over the counter, she has been such a valued part of our school community.

We are incredibly grateful for everything Liz has given to EPSS and wish her all the very best for what comes next.



Tuckshop Convenor Opportunity

Following the upcoming departure of our wonderful Tuckshop Convenor, Liz, we are now looking for someone new to step into this important role within our school community.

The tuckshop is such a special part of everyday life at EPSS, and we're looking for someone who will continue to care for this space and keep it running smoothly for our students, families and volunteers.

If you, or someone you know, might be interested, you can find all the details below.

<https://www.ethicaljobs.com.au/members/EvertonParkStateSchool/tuckshop-convenor>

We are hiring:

Tuckshop Convenor

Help run the heart of our school.

Everton Park State School P&C

Join the team!
Details below in comments.

EPSS P&C



Fete on the Park

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Fete on the Park countdown – 51 days!!!!

We were excited to tell students on assembly this week **we have a Bumper Cars sponsor** – thank you TMP Organic Butcher and Supermarket Everton Park! The kids cheers confirmed just how excited we all are!

Fete website coming – keep checking feteonthepark.com, we are going live any day now. A student designer has built the site for us and we are excited to share all the details you need, as well as the entry forms for the Art Show and Student Showcase.

Want to help out? We will happily accept any donations of time or expertise – you haven't missed the boat if you've been meaning to offer! Get in touch – events@evertonparksspandc.com You can also simply sign up to help on the day too – watch out for the registration form next Term.

THANK YOU to our incredible army of volunteers who have been working so hard behind the scenes to prepare what is going to be an amazing day for our kids next month!

The poster features the 'FETE ON THE PARK' logo at the top, which includes the school's name 'EVERTON PARK STATE SCHOOL'. Below the logo is an orange banner with the text 'SAVE THE DATE!!'. Underneath that is a dark green banner with the date and time: 'SATURDAY 23 MAY 2026 12.00-8.30pm' and 'EVERTON PARK STATE SCHOOL'. At the bottom, there are four circular icons representing activities: a pink circle with a Ferris wheel for 'Rides & Games', a green circle with a bottle and hot dog for 'Food & Drinks', a purple circle with a stall for 'Market Stalls', and a blue circle with musical notes for 'Live Music'.



Computers 4 Learning

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Computers 4 Learning is a 100% volunteer run organisation based in Earnshaw, Brisbane that rely on donated devices. They refurbish devices and have them available for sale for students and adults starting from \$90. The most suitable device for students to use as a BYOx device at school is \$150. Every student is eligible they just need to show their ID Card. We have had several families use this service now. If anyone wants to donate old laptops or desktops they can contact Computers 4 Learning directly or alternatively if it's a small quantity Aspley SHS is a drop off location.

☒ **Affordable Refurbished Devices**

Student laptops: starting at **\$90** (Students just need their **student ID card** to be eligible)

Adult devices: starting at **\$40** (Adults need a **Health Care, Pension, Veteran, or Senior card**)

C4L's student laptops also meet **most BYOD requirements** for Queensland State Schools, making them a great option for learning at home or at school.

☒ **Donate Your Old Devices**

Have an old laptop, computer, tablet, or other device? Please **drop it off at the Aspley SHS school office**. Every donation helps provide affordable technology to students in need.

Learn More & Check Stock

Find out more about Computers 4 Learning or **check current stock to purchase a device** here:

www.computers4learning.org.au



Containers for Change at EPSS

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Support Our P&C Through Containers for Change!

Did you know you can help raise funds for
our P&C just by recycling?

Simply collect your eligible drink containers
and use our school's Scheme ID

C10003719

when returning them through Containers
for Change.

There are also Containers For Change bins
located near the Tuckshop and Uniform
Shop

Every container adds up and directly
supports projects and initiatives for our
School.

Thank you for helping us
make a difference!



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LEARN JU JITSU AT YOUR SCHOOL

WEDNESDAYS 3.15 - 4.00pm

Next to the Sports Shed
Everton Park State School

FREE TRIAL LESSON!

Book here or contact us!



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Speak Up Studio at EPSS

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last five weeks of term one



Speech & Drama

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Speak Up Studio is running a mini term for the final five weeks of term one!

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Speech and Drama classes are held in the Library as follows:

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Storytellers (Prep - 2) – Wednesday 8:00AM – 8:30AM
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TERM 2

Mondays, Week 1 - 10

From April 20th

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Yr 3 - Yr 6 Hip Hop
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