

NEWSLETTER NO.09

APRIL 13, 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

- 15th Assembly in the Hall at 9:00am
- 15th Fete meeting in the Hall after Assembly
- 15th Uniform/Tuckshop Subcommittee 2pm in Library
- 18th P&C meeting at 7:00pm in Library
- 19th Breakfast Club before school, the Hall
- 20th ANZAC ceremony 9:00am at the pool
- 22nd Interschool Gala Day
- 25th ANZAC Day public holiday
- 26^h Breakfast Club before school, the Hall

MAY

- 2nd Labour Day public holiday
- 6th Interschool Gala Day
- 10-12th NAPLAN testing

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of our school community

What a fantastic place Everton Park State School is in which to work, learn, play and celebrate.

I am delighted to have been given the opportunity to lead Everton Park State School. Thank you to the community, staff and students for making me feel so welcome. A huge welcome back to school to everyone. I trust everyone had a restful and enjoyable break.

Recently the school community was given an opportunity to provide feedback about our school. The feedback was mostly very positive. From the feedback the community felt that the school needed to have more of a focus on the way we deal with behaviour. Everton Park State School prides itself on having high expectations, both academically and socially. The school has three rules that drive what we do; Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be an Active Learner. Due to your feedback, I would like to continue to have more of a focus on these rules and what these look like, feel like and sound like at our school.

As I move through the school **being respectful** has looked like

- using manners
- making eye contact when we speak
- keeping our hands, feet and putdowns to ourselves
- cooperating with others
- sharing
- getting along
- being accepting of others

As I move through the school **being safe** has looked like

- telling the teachers when we can't solve a problem
- concentrating on our own learning
- doing what the teacher asks us to do
- walking on hard surfaces

As I move through the school **being an active learner** has looked like

- trying to solve our own problems
- always having a go
- trying to keep our problems small
- learning from our mistakes
- listening when the teacher and other people speak to us

- believing in ourselves
- being the best we can be at all times

This year the School's Explicit Improvement Plan is centred on the following areas:

1. Embedding a whole school approach to writing.
2. Analysing and using data to drive learning and classroom adjustments.
3. Providing extension and enrichment for highly able learners in the area of Mathematics.
4. Using Positive Behaviour for Learning processes to embed consistent whole school, evidence based approaches.

I look forward to working with staff, students and the community in progressing the improvement agenda to ensure every individual student is achieving success.

Uniquely Everton Park's school culture is very much 'community' orientated where all members of our school community work together in order to maximise learning opportunities for all students in order for potential to be realised. The first P&C Meeting for Term Two will be held on Monday 18th April, 7.00pm in the library. We welcome existing members and new members. Please come along.

Lastly, we have a very busy week coming up. On Monday, 18th April we have some selected students representing our school at the following events:

- North District Cross Country
- Problem Solving Challenge Day
- Interschool Gala Day

I wish participating students the best of luck.



Ange Padgett
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

ANZAC Day Commemoration

Our School ANZAC Day Commemoration Service is scheduled for 9am on Wednesday, 20th April. Our service will be held at the pool complex and run for approximately 45 - 60 minutes.

On ANZAC day (25 April) Everton Park State School will be taking part in the march along Samford Road convened by the Gaythorne RSL. All students and parents are welcome to attend. Students who would like to march must be in full school uniform and meet at the park behind the RSL between 5:30am and 5:45am on the day. Mrs Padgett, Miss Rogers and I will be there to greet and

organise the students.

District Cross Country

The North District Cross Country Trials are on this coming Monday (18 April). All forms for students who qualified have been distributed. Please ensure any outstanding forms are returned ASAP. Any further questions can be directed to Mr Bird.

Wavell High Maths, Science and Technology Problem Solving Challenge

16 of our students in years 5 and 6 have been selected to attend and compete in the Wavell High Mathematics, Science and Technology Problem Solving Challenge on Monday, 18th April. All forms have been distributed to selected students. All completed forms need to be returned to the office by tomorrow (Thursday 14 April). Any questions can be directed to the office.



David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

Hi Everyone

Welcome back to Term 2 and we'd like to give a special welcome to our new Principal, Ange Padgett. Ange brings to EPSS a wealth of knowledge and experience and we're keen to work with and support the whole leadership team to achieve great things for our school. Please take the time to say hello and welcome Ange when you see her out and about.

Some wonderful news from the holidays was that we finally have a Fete Coordinator! A huge thanks go to **Renee Kempin** for putting her hand up. This means that it is all systems go! The Fete will be held on **Saturday, 10th September** in the afternoon and evening and if you come along to the next Fete meeting on Friday (in the hall, after assembly), you can meet Renee and get an idea of all of the exciting concepts and stalls that are being planned. The bigger our Fete, the more money will be raised towards our school, so if you have an idea, we'd all love to hear it. If you can't make the meeting on Friday, simply email us at pandc@everparkss.eq.edu.au or leave us a message via Facebook or with the ladies at the office. There are some very talented parents out there & we want to hear from you!

Also coming up is the next P & C meeting on Monday night at 7pm in the Library. Come along and meet Ange (if you haven't already) and find out what's happening for Term 2 – it's going to be a biggie!

Have a great week
Tanya Milgate
P & C President
pandcpresident@everparkss.eq.edu.au

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break

A reminder that I am only here on Monday's this term, but the Chappy room was packed this week with heaps of games, colouring and our chill out corner.

Remember: Don't let small disputes injure a great friendship.

Chappy Nikki

ART CLUB

Term 2

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a relaxing break and are ready to participate in lots of fun and creative activities. Art club will still be held on a Wednesday during second break. However, this term we will be alternating the age groups of the children as follows:

April 20 Prep-2,
Years 3-6 still welcome
April 27 Years 3 - 6
May 4 Prep - 2
May 11 Years 3 - 6
May 18 Prep - 2
May 25 Years 3 - 6
June 1 Prep - 2
June 8 Years 3 - 6
June 15 Prep - 2

We're excited about our new format and hope to provide more age-appropriate activities for the students.

All students attending Art Club still need to meet Mrs Johnson in the Shed and she will accompany you to the Art Space.

Parent helpers welcome.

LIBRARY NEWS

Borrowing has started up again this week. We are still chasing up library books from last term and would appreciate parents and carers helping children find these resources. Library bags are essential for all students and they really protect our precious books. If a book is damaged or lost we ask that you either replace it with a similar resource or pay for the cost of buying a new book. Unfortunately the student is unable to borrow until the issue is resolved. If you have any queries please contact me. bluke1@eq.edu.au

Ms Lukey
Teacher Librarian
bluke1@eq.edu.au

CHEERLEADING

Term 2 is here! This means that the Pups and Reserves teams will start Cheerleading practises.

Pups: Prep - Year 2 - practise will be on a Monday morning from 7.45-8.30am.

Reserves: Year 3 - 6 - practise will be on a Tuesday morning from 7.45-8.30am.

The first session will be held next week - WEEK 2, Term 2 (Pups - 18 April, Reserves - 19 April).

Cheerleading is open to everyone, so if you are interested in joining us, come along next term. Practises are held in

the school hall. Simply bring a water bottle with you. All permission notes will be handed out at the first session. If you have any questions, please contact me on kroge8@eq.edu.au.

Miss Rogers
Cheerleading Coach

ANZAC DAY RIBBONS

The Student Councillors will be selling ribbons and wrist bands in preparation for Anzac Day. These can be purchased from Mr Mannetje's classroom at 8:30am as of this Thursday, 14 April.

The blue ribbons cost \$2.00, white ribbons are \$1.00 and the wrist bands are \$2.00.

MUSIC NEWS

Junior Choir members and Elements members from Year 2 and higher will be performing at our school Anzac Service on Wednesday, 20 April. School uniform, black shoes and white socks is the performance uniform. All hair accessories should be in school colours. Both groups have been rehearsing our Anzac song, but I would like all students who are performing to attend both Junior Choir and Elements rehearsals at 8.30am this Friday and next Tuesday mornings for a performance rehearsal.

There will also be a short rehearsal on Tuesday at first break. Please bring your lunch to the music room when your teacher dismisses you for lunch.

Bernadette Crook
Classroom Music Teacher

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

For all band queries (woodwind, brass and percussion) contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au For all string queries (violin, viola, cello and double bass) contact Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au For all classroom music queries contact Bernadette Crook on bcroo4@eq.edu.au

Uniform Shop



The Uniform Shop is
open each Friday from 8:15 –
9:30am

Price Rises

Please note that as of Term 2 the price of hats will be going from \$10 to \$15. The Uniform Shop has been absorbing the difference in cost price for many years and unfortunately we are unable to do that anymore.

We are also increasing the price we are selling second hand from \$10 to \$15 (normal second hand) and \$20 to \$25 for jackets.

Hats – \$15
Second Hand clothes - \$15
(normal)
Second Hand Jackets - \$25

Volunteers NEEDED urgently!!

The Uniform Shop urgently needs volunteers to help out on Friday mornings. You'll be required from 8.15am – 9.30am. If you can help please email me on jibounceback@optusnet.com.au or phone me on 0402880216, or pop in and see me on a Friday morning. It's a great way to meet all the wonderful families in our school and I would REALLY appreciate your help.

FLEXISCHOOLS

Do you need some uniforms? Why not order them on Flexishools. No need to come into the school at all. Send in your order and I will fill it and hand deliver it to your child in class. Save time and order on Flexishools

2nd HAND UNIFORMS NEEDED

Do you have uniforms that the children have grown out of? Bring them into us!! We need your 2nd hand uniforms.

Bring them to the Uniform Shop on Friday during normal opening hours and we'll have a look at them. They need to be in good condition and if they are, we'll PAY you \$10 per item for them, \$20 for Sports Jackets. Just remember to also bring along your account details so we can transfer the money into your account.

Jeanette Jenkinson
Uniform Shop Convenor



TUCKERBOX

The Tuckerbox is open Monday,
Thursday and Friday.

Please use our online ordering system, flexishools.com.au, to order your child's lunch. If you do wish to have a printed copy of the 2016 Menu, it is now available on the school website to download.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE

There is still a vacancy on the first Thursday and for emergency volunteers, so if you would love to help please contact me at tuckshop@everparkss.eq.edu.au

APRIL ROSTER

Thursday 14 – Sherryn Overlack
Friday 15 – Janene Ashton, Carol McLean, Penny Valentine
Thursday 21 – Jennifer Congram
Friday 22 – Vicky Wilson, Jo Baird, Sam Nicholson



NEW! Banana Smoothies
\$2.50.
Available Mondays. Online order only.



Winter Menu Term 2 and
3
Hawaiian or BBQ Chicken
Pizza \$3.50
Warm Milo \$1.50

STUDENT ABSENTEE LINE

If your child will not be attending school could you please notify the office by calling our student absentee line on 3550 2277. This number can be called at any time (24/7).

Please remember, children in Prep to Grade 2 are not allowed to bring money to school to spend at the Tuckshop. Their lunch items need to be ordered online or over the counter by parents/guardians.

Katrina Coomber
Tuckshop Convenor

ATTACHMENTS