

NEWSLETTER NO.10

APRIL 20, 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

22nd Interschool Gala Day
25th ANZAC Day public holiday
26th Breakfast Club before school, the Hall
28th Music Experience Day, Wavell State High School

MAY

2nd Labour Day public holiday
3rd Breakfast Club before school, the Hall
5th Mother's Day Stall in the Hall 9:00am – 1:00pm
6th Interschool Gala Day
10th Breakfast Club before school, the Hal
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.

During the past week I have had the pleasure of meeting many of our parents and volunteers to the school. I attended the P&C meeting on Monday and it is obvious that Everton Park State School is in an enviable position because it has so many willing and able volunteers and parents assisting our school achieve great things.

On Monday 18th April sixteen selected students represented our school in the Problem Solving Team Challenge. There were Science, Technology and Mathematics problem solving challenges. Eighty five teams competed from twenty schools. Congratulations to all attending students. They did our school proud.

On this same day we also sent twenty seven students to the Northside District Cross Country. Our boys ranked third with the percentage point shield. A special congratulations to Spencer from Year 5 for making it into the District team and Tomas from Year 4 for being selected as a reserve for the District team. All students tried their hardest and displayed excellent team spirit.



On Monday Mr O'Connor and I also had the pleasure of attending an award presentation for Jaime (spelling) from Year 6. Jaime received second place for her writing about ANZAC Day. Congratulations to Jaime.



Could all parents please ensure that the school has your up-to-date contact details, including email addresses? You will be missing vital information if these details are out-of-date. We use the email we have on file to send weekly class newsletters and end of semester reports to parents. Please inform the school office of any new contact information.

I have been most impressed by the work the teachers and students are doing in writing. Each class has a data wall for writing. A data wall is a visual for all students that allow them to see their individual progress in relation to the criteria required for them to be successful. These data walls allow for teachers to provide explicit feedback to individual students around the strengths of the writing as well as the next step needed for improvement. Students are given feedback on a regular basis to assist with improving their learning outcomes.

Ange Padgett
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

ANZAC Service

Thank you to everyone involved in today's service. I'll put a more formal report in next week's newsletter.

Can I encourage as many parents and students as possible to attend the ANZAC Day March at the Gaythorne RSL this Monday, 25 April. We will be meeting the students there at approximately 5:30am onwards. We are expecting to be formed up into our marching lines by 6am. See you there.

Parent Help

A couple of things have cropped up where, as a parent body, I believe you can all make a difference.

1. The lost property is starting to build up again. Please ensure all of your children's belongings are clearly named.
2. The amount of litter around school is getting out of hand. The EcoMarines would love to see more students coming to school with "Wrapper Free" lunches!

David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

Thanks to those of you who came along to the P&C meeting on Monday night. It was great for us to hear from Ange and get some insights into what her plans and ideas are. Personally, I'm optimistic about the opportunities that we have as a whole school community in order to work together for the benefit of the students. I encourage you all to consider the important roles that you play within our community and the impact of your contribution.

Mother's Day Stall: Mother's Day will be here before we know it! The Mother's Day stall will be held on Thursday, 5 May in the hall from 9:00am – 1:00pm for all students to purchase a gift for the special lady in their lives. **Jules Aldridge**, one of our amazing Grade 1 parents, has agreed to run the stall this year. We will be looking for helpers on the day, so if you have an hour or two spare, please let us know at pandc@everparkss.eq.edu.au. The sense of pride that radiates from the students when they are choosing a gift is truly a sight to see.

2016 Fete: As I mentioned last week, **Renee Kempin** has taken the reins of the 2016 EPSS Fete and the team are commencing preparations already. This year we're looking at making the most of our opportunity, as well as location and looking for sponsorship. If there is a company that you know of who may be keen to work with us, please get in touch with us. The 2016 Fete will be bigger and better than ever, thanks to all of you!

Have a great week
Tanya Milgate
P & C President
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LIBRARY NEWS

The Children's Book Council of Australia Notable books for 2016 have been announced in the lead up to the main awards later this term. It was not a surprise to see many of Aaron Blabey's books in the mix. I think everyone at the school has had a laugh over *Pig the Pug!* <http://cbca.org.au/notables-2016>
Fantastic to see so many children remembering library borrowing day and bringing waterproof bags.
Every year around **Anzac Day** I am reminded of all the amazing stories that

surround the wars and the brave men and women who served. This year by way of the Tuesday Courier Mail Headstart pullout I found the story of Maud Butler, a young girl who disguised herself as a man to join the war effort. The full story can be found at <https://www.awm.gov.au/blog/2016/03/07/adventurous-maud-butler/> Also the **Australian War Memorial** website is such an informative and engaging site. <https://www.awm.gov.au/>
If you are interested in **Coding**, [Scratch 2](#) for the computer is able to be downloaded and the tips and help sections are very good. Another coding App I have been playing with is [Tynker](#). It also has an online site. Has your child been using the [Queensland State Schools eBooks digital library](#) (years 3-6 only)? Would love any feedback.

Ms Lukey
Teacher Librarian
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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 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.

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

SUPER-CHARGED FOR SUCCESS



For the last 9 weeks I have had the pleasure of working with



some very switched on Mathematicians from years 3 and year 5. We have been focusing on high-level problem solving strategies.

The children have used a Problem Solving Thinkboard which outlines the four important steps required to successfully solve problems. The problems have been quite thought-provoking. The children recognize the level of difficulty using a 'chilli indicator':



mild, a challenge and

get your thinking caps on!

The Year 3's have definitely developed a taste for fiery-level problems.

Year 5 students have the extra benefit of a dedicated Virtual Classroom that means they can problem solve 24/7!

In this virtual space they can watch Sneak



Peek videos to prepare for the lesson and complete levelled quizzes. They just need to go to [The Learning Place](#). I hope the students involved in this Super-Charged program have shared what they are doing with Mum and Dad.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Well done to all the students who participated in the District Cross Country Trials on Monday. Congratulations to Spencer. He has been selected to represent North District at the Regional Trials.

GALA DAY

Our first Interschool Gala day is this Friday, 22 April. The buses will be leaving school at 9am and returning at 3pm.

Girls soccer will be held at the South Pine Sporting Complex in Brendale. Year 4 boys soccer will be held at O'Callaghan Park (North Star) on Zillmere Road. Netball is at Bradbury Park in Chermerside and the boys senior soccer is at Teralba Park Mitchelton.

If your child is playing soccer they must wear shin pads.

If parents require any further information please refer to the school website.

Ian Bird
Physical Education Teacher
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INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

Our Instrumental Music students are already off to a great start for Term 2 busy preparing for our Winter Concert in May as well as different music camps.

WAVELL STATE HIGH MUSIC EXPERIENCE – Thursday 28 April

A number of our Year 5 and 6 Band and String students in their 2nd and 3rd year of learning will be attending a Music Experience Day on Thursday 28 April at Wavell State High School. There will be a FREE concert at their school hall at 3.30 pm ALL WELCOME! Information has been sent home to parents/guardians about this.

*****PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO BAND REHEARSALS OR LESSONS ON WEDNESDAY 27TH APRIL WITH PENNY HALL *******

Our Winter Concert for all Choirs, String groups and Band groups will be held on WEDNESDAY 25 MAY at 6.00pm at our hall. There will be more information coming in coming weeks.

For all band information please contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au (Penn works at our school on Wednesdays)

For all string information please contact Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au - Anne works at our school on Thursdays

For all classroom music queries or choir or elements queries contact Bernadette Crook at bcrook4@eq.edu.au - Bernadette works at our school on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Uniform Shop





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

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).

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 jjbounceback@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



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 –

If you would love to help in Tuckshop but can't commit to a regular gig, consider putting your name down as an emergency volunteer. Please contact me at tuckshop@everparkss.eq.edu.au

APRIL ROSTER

Thursday 21 – Jennifer Congram

Friday 22 – Vicky Wilson, Jo Baird, Sam Nicholson

Thursday 28 – Shanyn Munck

Friday 29 – Jo Hennessey, Valetine McDonald, Katrina Langtry



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
Garlic Bread \$1.10***

Icy Twists not available until Term 4

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

- Everton Park State High School Open Day flyer
- EPSS Calendar
- Auskick Flyer