

NEWSLETTER NO.17

JUNE 3, 2015

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

- 3rd Band Blitz Concert, 3:30 – 4:30pm in the Hall
- 5th No Assembly due to Gala Day
- 5th Interschool Gala Day Years 4 - 6
- 5th Scooter Skills Program
- 8th Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- 11th Northside Beginner Band Workshop, Aspley SS
- 16th Discuss and Hi Jump competition at EPSS
- 17th 1:50 – Athletics: 400m & 800m events
- 19th Senior Athletics full day program
- 22nd 7pm Prep – Year 6 2016 Enrolment Information Night
- 23rd 9:30am Prep – Year 6 2016 Enrolment Information Session
- 26th Last day of Term 2

JULY

- 13th First day of Term 3

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Reconciliation Week Assembly

On Assembly last week our school took the time to commemorate National Reconciliation Week. This important week provides an opportunity for Australians to better understand and recognise our shared histories. It also provides an opportunity for us to confirm our respect for the cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. We were lucky enough to have Dr Jackie Huggins who an indigenous Australian author, historian, Aboriginal rights activists and grandmother to one of our EPSS students, Jai, to talk to our school community about what Reconciliation Week means. We thank her for her thought provoking and positive address.



The Acknowledgement to Country was also presented by some of our Indigenous students at the commencement of assembly. The Acknowledgement will take place at the beginning of every assembly from now on. Well done to Kiana, Kalea, Amali, Jamie and Jai! You did a fabulous job!



Lions Children of Courage Awards

On Saturday, one of our EPSS students, Katrina, was the recipient of a Lions Children of Courage Award. Katrina was nominated by our school and was recognised for the courage that she has demonstrated in overcoming obstacles around her health, showing determination in her recovery and continuing to demonstrate her commitment to her leadership position at EPSS. We are very proud of you Katrina!



Report Cards

With report cards being issued at the end of this term, it is now a good time to ensure that the school has the correct contact details on our system, in particular, the correct email address so that parents can receive their child's report card in a timely fashion. Please contact Louise in the office if you need to update your contact information.

Anita Bond

Anita Bond
Principal

NO ASSEMBLY
There will be **no** Assembly
this Friday, 5 June due to
Gala Day.

SCHOOL LEADERS VISIT TO PARLIAMENT HOUSE



Our school captains, Molly and Atticus accompanied by Abbey, Sarah and myself, were guests of Tim Mander MP at Parliament House last Thursday. Along with four students from Prince of Peace, we were given a personalised and very informative tour of Parliament House. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to spend some time learning about the workings of Queensland's state government while getting to know our local member of Parliament, Tim Mander, and what his current role as Shadow Education Minister involves. The visit concluded with a very pleasant BBQ lunch enjoying one of Brisbane's best views of the river and Southbank Parklands.

Jo Campbell
Acting Deputy Principal

STUDENT ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

If your child is going to be away from school for any reason, could you please call the office or leave a message on the 24/7 student absentee line on 3550 2277.

ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL



*Congratulations to Prep R and 3M on winning the Gold Star awards for the previous week's 'Fun Fit Friday'. Which classes had the most number of students WALKING last 'Fun Fit Friday'? The results will be revealed at this week's assembly.

*The focus for this 'Fun Fit Friday' and the following Fridays in the month of June is 'public transport' to school. Every 'Fun Fit Friday' in June we're awarding **DOUBLE STAMPS** for students that actively travel to school by public transport. So, get organised! Get those bus timetables out and catch a bus ride to school for **DOUBLE STAMPS!** Don't miss this chance to get a stamp closer to another AST prize.

*Don't forget to actively travel **EVERY** Tuesday (Terrific Traveller Tuesday) for one **BONUS** stamp in/on your AST passport/card.

*Apologies for the error made in last week's newsletter snippet. **Due to our House Captains being at Gala Day this Friday, there will be no check in at the hall.** However, the House Captains will tally points for each student that actively travels the following Friday (12th June). We're approaching the end of the term! Which House do you think will be declared 'The BEST Active Travelling House'? Only 3 weeks until the results (grand total numbers) are revealed.

*Congratulations to the following students for winning a bag of goodies for their '2015 Walk Safely to School' colouring in competition entry:
Lucca – Prep R, Tess – 1E, Luca – 2J, Amelia – 3H, Carmen – 4L, Christopher – 5K, Molly – 6P.

*Thank you to the parents/carers of our Prep students who have returned the official consent form (for the upcoming Pro-Scooter Skills program). Unfortunately, if you haven't returned the consent form by the due date (Monday 1st June), you can't participate. As we have over 50 Prep students participating, there will be a cost for all students. An invoice for the cost of your child to participate will be sent home over the coming week or two. If you have already paid \$7.00, you will either be reimbursed an amount owing or invoiced for the extra cost (minus the \$7.00). The Pro-Scooter Skills program will be run **THIS** Friday (due to the large number of students participating we need to have two 1 hour sessions – the two sessions will run from 9 – 10am and 10 - 11am). There will be no whole school assembly, due to Gala Day. **DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR SCOOTER AND HELMET** (if you have your own) **THIS FRIDAY!**

*Have you nearly claimed all the AST prizes up for grabs? If so, you'll be delighted to hear that we have BIG prizes available once you've finished claiming stamps on your AST cards. At the end of every term, we will have an AST card raffle (with all the completed AST cards in a box). ONE lucky winner will be awarded with a final BIG prize for their efforts in actively travelling to school! Get those AST cards stamped for your chance to be in the draw!

*Don't forget to claim your AST prizes at the AST shop. The shop is open every Friday from 11:20am (after first break eating time).



LIBRARY NEWS

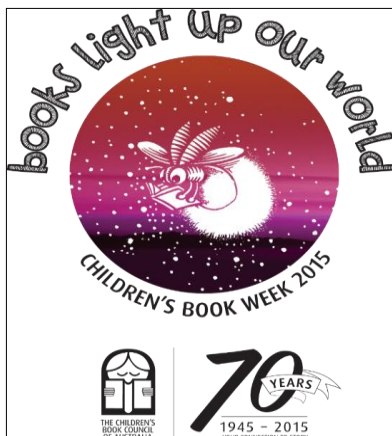


It's been very exciting to see students really engaging in the **Premiers Reading Challenge** 2015. We have been taking pictures of students and the books they have read and putting them up all around the library. Books really do light up our world as seen through the beautiful smiles on these children. We've also had lots of fun reading some of Aaron Blabey's books – *The Brothers Quibble*, and *Pug the Fibber*. Check out this cheeky author on YouTube reading *Thelma the Unicorn*. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hkL5Q17z52U>

Don't forget to start thinking about the **Book Week Competition**. Make a light / lampshade to hang in the library displaying your favourite book and/or books. Book week at the end of August celebrates a shortlist of some of the best picture books, early childhood, younger readers and older readers' titles that have been published in the last year. <http://cbca.org.au/ShortList-2015.htm>

Bleakboy and Hunter stand out in the rain by Steven Herrick is one of the books shortlisted for younger readers. I was able to download this book through the **Queensland State Schools eBooks Digital Library**. <https://eduqueenslandau.libraryreserve.com> It's a funny story about fitting in, friendships and quirky families. The main character, Jesse, talks to a poster of Jesus in his room, but he calls him Trevor. Hunter is the school bully and another character, Kate, is out to save the whales! This book made me smile and I'm looking forward to meeting the author next term. Yes, he is coming to our school on Tuesday, 4 August for all our Year 3 to 6 students.

Ms Lukey
Teacher Librarian



PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

The Senior Athletics Carnival (Years 4 – 6) is taking place on Friday, 19 June. Please see the attached program for the day, taking note of the change of lunch breaks for participating students only. All athletics training will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 8am and will be run by Mr Crawford.

This week's training is discus and next week's training will be high jump. Remember to wait at the top veranda to be collect for training. Mitchelton State High School is offering afterschool athletics training for students who would like extra training. Training will start next Wednesday (10/06/15) at 3:15 and finish at 4:15. Parents will be required to supervise their child during training. If interested in this extra training please see Mr Crawford for further details.

The last Gala Day is this Friday, 5 June. Please remember to be at school by 8:00am to be on time to catch the bus. The next trials for the North District are 12 and under Softball and 12 and under rugby union. The Softball trials will be held on Tuesday, 9 June at Eaton's Hill SS and will be open to students born in 2003/2004. If you play or have previously played Softball for a club and are interested in trialling for the North District team, please see Mr Crawford for more information. The Rugby Union trials will be held on Wednesday, 10 June at South Pine Sporting Complex, Brendale and will be open to students born in 2003/2004. If you play or have previously played for a club and are interested in trialling for the North District team, please see Mr Crawford for more information or email bcraw54@eq.edu.au

MUSIC NEWS

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS
Northside Beginner Band Concert – Thursday, 11 June

Many of our Wednesday Beginner Band students will be attending an awesome Beginner workshop on Thursday, 11 June from 9am until 4.30pm at Aspley State School Hall, Horn Road, Aspley... There will be a free concert from 4.00pm for all parents and friends to attend at Aspley State School Hall which should finish at 4.30pm. All children are

expected to be part of the concert unless due to illness or misfortune. Please remind your child to bring the following items to the workshop with **EVERYTHING CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME:**

- Lunch
- Morning Tea
- Afternoon Tea
- Music Stand
- Hat
- Water bottle
- Instrument
- Music folder and Northside Band Blitz music which Mrs Hall will hand out on Wednesday, 3 June
- Pencil
- Eraser

All children are required to wear closed shoes, free dress and have long pants/trousers to wear at the camp concert. Camp T-shirts will be distributed after lunch.

Congratulations to Christopher Thompson in 5T who received honours for his 2nd Grade AMEB piano exam last week.

Viva la musical!

*****PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO LESSONS AND BAND REHEARSALS WITH MRS HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 11 JUNE AND ON WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE AS SHE WILL BE ATTENDING NORTH DISTRICT MUSIC CAMPS*****

For all string queries please contact Ms Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au Ms Keenan teaches at our school on Thursdays.

For all band queries please contact Mrs Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au Mrs Hall teaches at our school on Wednesdays.

For all classroom music/choral or The Elements queries please contact Mrs Crook at bcrook4@eq.edu.au Mrs Crook works at our school on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

LOST

A school zip-up jacket has been lost. It is named (Ferris-Green) on the label. If found please bring to the office.

Uniform Shop

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

Flexischools

Do you need to get some uniforms from the Uniform Shop? Why not order it on **Flexischools**. No need to come into the school at all. I will fill your order and hand-deliver it to your child in class. So save time and order on **Flexischools!**

2nd HAND UNIFORMS NEEDED

Do you have uniforms lying around the kids have grown out of? Bring them into us!



We need your 2nd hand uniforms.

Bring them to the Uniform Shop on Friday between 8.15-9.30am 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.

The Uniform Shop **needs** volunteers to help out on Friday mornings. You'll be required from 8.15am - 9.30am and if you can only do one Friday a month that's fine. If you can help out **please** contact me on jjbounceback@optusnet.com.au, or phone me on **0402880216** or pop in and see me one Friday morning. It's a great way of meeting all the wonderful families in our school and I would really appreciate your help.

Stock update!!

We are waiting on cotton tights to arrive. We have all sizes in the microfibre tights.

We have Vests!!!

If your children are anything like mine at this time of year they need something not quite a jacket to keep them warm in the slightly cooler mornings. We **now have vests available for purchase from the Uniform Shop!** They are available in sizes 4-16 and \$17 each.

Jeanette Jenkinson

Uniform Convenor

Everton Park State School

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop is open Monday, Thursday and Friday.

JUNE ROSTER

Thursday 4

Jenny Sewell, Megan Limpus

Friday 5

Ann Jabas, Misato Betts, Jo Hennessey

Thursday 11

Cn someone please help?

Friday 12

Genevieve Moller, Dana Haack, Joy Wood

Volunteer needed please. The Tuckshop is in need of a volunteer for a permanent Thursday of the month. It is the third Thursday of each month and there are six days left for the year - 18 June, 16 July, 20 August, 17 September, 15 October and 19 November. Please contact me if you are able to help tuckshop@everparkss.eq.edu.au.



STAY WARMER WITH THE WINTER MENU ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE

Garlic bread \$1.10

Warm Milo \$1.50

Ham & Pineapple or BBQ Chicken

pizza \$3.00

CAN YOU THINK OF A NAME FOR THE TUCKSHOP

The fantastic mural is almost complete along the front of the Tuckshop and Uniform Shop. We are inviting students to check it out for inspiration and come up with an exciting name for the Tuckshop.

Drop your competition entry in to the Tuckshop before Friday 16th June and the winner will be announced on the last day of school this term. Make sure your name and class is on your entry.

You could win a family movie pass to Stafford Hoyts Cinemas.

Do your kids love 'Frozen'? Available now for a special treat - Olaf the Snowman! Vanilla, chocolate and orange ice cream. \$2.00.

It's business as usual in Tuckshop for the Senior Athletics Carnival on Friday, 19 June. However, due to the change in lunch breaks for the competitors only, Tuckshop will stay open for over the counter treats only second break 12.45 – 1.15pm. Grades P-3 will need to order second break as normal.

Have a great week.

Katrina

Tuckshop Convenor



Banana and Pear Bread \$2.00

– home baked just for us!