

NEWSLETTER NO.18

JUNE 15, 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

- 17th Senior Athletics Carnival
- 20th Prep Parent Information Session, 6 – 7pm in Library
- 20th P&C meeting 7pm in Library
- 21st Breakfast Club at the Hall
- 23rd Year 3's Celebration of Learning 8:45 – 10am in the classroom
- 24th Last Day of Term 2

JULY

- 11th First day of Term 3
- 12th Breakfast Club at the Hall
- 14th Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
- 15th Prep 100th Day of school celebrations
- 18th P&C meeting in the Library
- 19th School photos
- 20th School photos – groups/sporting
- 21st Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
- 25-26th North District Track & Field

AUGUST

- 2nd ICAS English test
- 2nd Breakfast club at the Hall
- 4th Footsteps dance program in the Hall
- 10th EKKA holiday

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.



Congratulations

A small group of Everton Park State School students entered a video into a local Film Festival. I'm thrilled to announce that four of our students will have their film screened at the local showcase. A big congratulations to Archie H, Matthew I, both from Year Six, and Brodie J and Piper G, both from Year Four, for having their work showcased locally. Each student has won a free registration for a film-making workshop (run by people in the industry).

Senior Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 17 June we will be holding our Senior Athletics Carnival. This day is fundamentally about student participation. I ask parents to take some time to talk to your child about participating with the right attitude. Some students put far too much pressure on themselves to come first, second or third. Other students refuse to participate and at times, refuse to come to school. Please encourage your child to have a go and give it their best. If your child is not able to attend due to sickness or injury please ensure you communicate this with Mr Bird. Sports days are an opportunity to develop team spirit and sportsmanship in a supportive environment.

School Evaluation Tool (SET)

Graham Nunn will be off line on Tuesday, 21 June, randomly surveying students, parents and staff around our school behaviour processes. The survey is called the School Evaluation Tool (SET). As a school this tool will provide us with baseline data to work from. Graham may approach you to participate in this confidential survey. If you are asked to participate I would really appreciate your willingness to do so.

Report Cards

Reports will be emailed out on Wednesday, 22 June. Please contact the office if we do not have an up-to-date email for you. Alternatively, if you wish to receive a hard copy, please also make contact with our friendly office staff. On Thursday, 23 June we will be holding our Gold Card Rewards Activity. Mr O'Connor will provide further information as to the activity and timing. Congratulations to all participating students. Everton Park State School prides itself on how well our school community enacts our school rules: Be Respectful, Be Safe and Be an Active Learner.

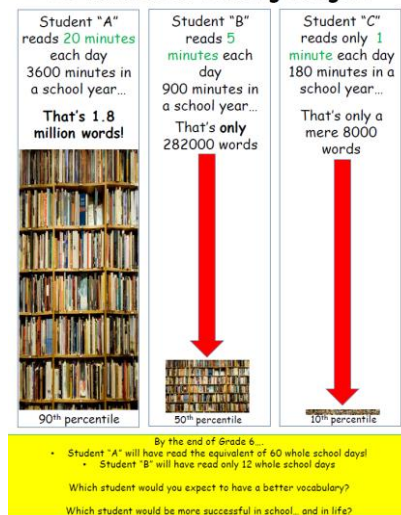
Staff Member Farewell

John Deaves, our Janitor Groundsman, is leaving Everton Park State School after being with us for 17 years. Thank you for all you have done John and we wish you all the very best.

Reading Each Day

As we approach holidays I urge all parents to encourage their children to read 20 minutes daily throughout the holidays. The table below says it all!

Why can't I skip my 20 minutes of reading tonight?



Thanking you for your support.



Ange Padgett
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

We are looking forward to the Athletics carnival this Friday. Parents, Carers and Grandparents are encouraged to stay and support their children. There will be a coffee van in attendance.



David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

Don't forget the final P&C meeting for Term 2 is on Monday night from 7pm in the Library. There will be plenty of discussion about the upcoming improvements to the school grounds, our part to play in the Federal Election and, of course, all things FETE!!

Tanya Milgate
P & C President
pandcpresident@everparkss.eq.edu.au

BUILDING LITERACY IN THE PREP YEAR

Prep Parent Information Session
Prep parents are invited to come along to learn more about supporting their child's early literacy development.

Where: Everton Park State School Library
When: Monday 6 - 7pm, 20 June 2016

What is Literacy?

Literacy in the early years is about reading, writing and speaking and listening. Reading in the early years can occur through a variety of sources such as books, magazines, logos, signs and grocery packaging. Children can write and talk about the ideas and information

they read. They can also discuss, question and reflect on things happening around them. Young children need to have opportunities to learn to listen and make meaning from the talk of others. Making sure your child understands what they see, hear and read is crucial for literacy learning.

This session aims to answer the questions of:

How do I best help support my child to learn to read?
What should I do when it's time to read the home-reader?
What do I do if my child can't read the book?
What if the book is too easy?
What if my child doesn't want to read to me?
What if my child doesn't want to read with me?

For more information please contact me through the school office on 3550 2222 or email icamp205@eq.edu.au

Jo Campbell
Master Teacher EPSS

ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Our nation goes to the polls on Saturday July 2 and our school hall will once again be a polling place, hosting a stream of voters keen to have their say and, of course, buy a sausage in bread, a can of drink and tasty treats from our bake sale!

We are looking for volunteers to help out on the day serving and turning snags. If you can help, please text Sam Nicholson on 0406743339 and register your interest. The stall will run from about 8.00am until 2.00pm so we will need a good flow of helpers to share the burden.

Unfortunately, the election falls in the middle of school holidays so we are still working on a plan for the collection of baked goods, so stay tuned.

FETE NEWS

Book Stall Update:

Please keep bringing your pre-loved books into the Library for our Fete Bookstall. The books should be in good condition and suitable for sale.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

With the holidays fast approaching it's time to make plans for holiday activities. Have you ever considered an SU Camp? From the Gold to the Sunshine Coast they have many camps to offer, with some of them being day camps and some overnight.

As next Monday, 20 June is World Refugee Day we will do some activities from different countries. Some information regarding the Fathering Project:
Eating meals as a family

- Try to find one meal during the day you can eat together as a family. Perhaps breakfast if dinner is a problem.
- Make it a priority to be home for that meal. Be sure that you sit together around the table.
- Include each family member in the conversation and use the time for each person to talk about what is going on in their lives.

CLASS AND GROUP PHOTOS 19 and 20 July



Class, sibling and group (sport and music) photos will take place on Tuesday, 19 July and Wednesday, 20 July respectively (Week 2 of Term 3). Envelopes with details of ordering will be sent home next Wednesday.

ART CLUB Term 2

Things have been very busy with lots of students at Art Club over the last few weeks. We're running three different age groups now. Check the newsletter each week for details and come along Wednesday at second break. Parent helpers welcome. Here are the groups for the coming weeks:

Wed 22 June – Prep K, P and R

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

Parent helpers welcome.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Athletics Carnival

Our Athletics Carnival for students 9 years (born 2007) – 12 years (born 2004) years will be held this Friday, 17 June Week 10. The carnival will start at approximately 9am and will finish by 3pm. The 400m (9 years) and 800m (10, 11 and 12 years) finals will be held this Wednesday, 15 June 2 – 3pm. All students will have the opportunity to participate in either the 400m or 800m, depending on their age. 400m races will be 2 heats for 9 year boys and 2 heats for 9 year girls. Placings will be decided on times. 800m races will be straight finals. All races will be timed. Parents are welcome to come and watch. A program will be uploaded to the school website this week. Please refer to the school website for any further information or parents can email me directly.

We had a number of records broken last week in High Jump and Discus. High Jump 9 year girls old record 1.08m, new record 1.11m by Bailey S. High Jump 11 year boys 1.26m, new record 1.29 by Ramalah S and Spencer A. Discus 9 years old record 19.82m, new record 21.60 Harvey S. Congratulations

to all these students on these amazing achievements.

Triathlon Training

Triathlon Training will be held on Friday, 24 June for swimming and running. Term 3 training will be every Friday. Our next race will be Sunday, 25 September in Raby Bay for the Gatorade Tri Series. A training schedule will be emailed home next week. Even if students cannot participate in the next race they are still expected to train each week.

Thank you
Ian Bird
(ibird1@eq.eq.edu.au)

LIBRARY NEWS



What an amazing time was had last Thursday by our students watching the performances in the hall. The whizz bang Surfing Scientist, Ruben Meerman, was up first with a mind-boggling show featuring lasers, balloons and nitrogen gas. I'm sure many students have been

inspired to follow in his footsteps. The Solid State Circus followed next with fun, craziness and, of course, a little bit of danger. Some of our students and a very game staff member were called upon to help out. Could this be a career change for the talented Mrs B?

This is the last week for borrowing. All library books must be returned by next Thursday, 23 June. Please assist your children to locate missing library books and/or call or email me if you have any queries. We ask that lost or damaged library books be replaced with a new book.

Any queries please call or email me.
Ms Lukey
Teacher Librarian
bluke1@eq.edu.au

MUSIC NEWS

Junior Choir and Elements have been working hard on new repertoire after their fantastic performance at the Winter Concert. We will have our last rehearsals for this semester next week (Week 11).

We will be having an end of semester break-up on Tuesday, 21 June at first break for all Junior Choir and Elements members. Please bring a small plate of food to share with everyone.

Bernadette Crook
Classroom Music Teacher

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

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 bcroo4@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

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 clothes from \$10 to \$15 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 jbounceback@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 Flexischools. 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 Flexischools.

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

UNIFORM/TUCKSHOP

We are looking for someone with kitchen design experience to donate their time to assess the Tuckshop and offer advice on potential layout for next year.

We are also looking for a Chairperson and Secretary. They are very straightforward roles that are not too difficult. There is a lot of support available to assist in these roles.



TUCKERBOX

The Tuckerbox is open Monday,
Thursday and Friday.

Please use our online ordering system, flexischools.com.au, to order your child's lunch.

JUNE ROSTER

Thursday 16 – Jennifer Congram

Friday 17 – Carol McLean, Janene Ashton, Penny Valentine

Thursday 23 – Melissa Lynch

Friday 24 – Vicky Wilson, Jo Baird, Sam Nicholson



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

Warm Milo \$1.50
Garlic Bread \$1.10



NEW! Thai Pumpkin
Soup \$3.50 - Homemade and
delicious with garlic bread

Important information for athletes!

This Friday is the Senior Athletics Carnival and the Tuckerbox will be operating differently for the athletes only. Order tuckshop food as per normal (either online or over the counter) but the athletes will receive their first break food at second break and visa versa. The changes have been made because the athletes have different break times and second break allows more time for a larger meal. Treats will be available for everyone at both breaks.



Twisted Frozen Yoghurt is been sold for the Athletics Carnival. Three delicious flavours – strawberry/vanilla, chocolate/vanilla and mango/watermelon. \$2.50 per cup. Stocks limited so order online.

Katrina Coomber
Tuckshop Convenor

ATTACHMENTS

- EPSS Calendar



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