

NEWSLETTER NO.21

JULY 20, 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 21st Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
25-26th North District Track & Field
28th Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall

AUGUST

- 2nd ICAS English test
2nd Breakfast club at the Hall
4th Footsteps dance program in the Hall
9th Breakfast club at the Hall
10th **EKKA holiday**
11th Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
12th Junior Athletics Carnival (Prep – Year 3)
15th P&C meeting 7pm in the Library
18th Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
15-19th Science Week
16th Prep K to Sensitivity Unit
16th ICAS Maths test
17th Prep R to Sensitivity Unit
18th Prep P to Sensitivity Unit
22–26th Book Week
26th Book Week Dress-up Day

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.

Prep 100 Days Celebrations



We have only had one week of school and we are back into full swing already. A big thank you to our teachers and students for transitioning straight back to learning. Thank you to parents for ensuring your child has the necessary equipment needed for the classroom and for ensuring your child is in full school uniform, including black shoes. I appreciate your support to assist our school uphold our high expectations.

School Opinion Survey

Parents/Caregivers, school staff and senior students are encouraged to have their say in this year's *School Opinion Survey* by providing their opinions about what this school does well and how this school can improve. The online surveys are currently open and will remain so until Friday, 29 July. Access details for the *Parent/Caregiver Survey* have been sent home with students. Parents/caregivers are welcome to complete their survey online at the school. School computers will be available if needed.

If you haven't received any survey access details please contact the school office.

Indigenous Parent Forum

The Indigenous Parent Forum has been extremely busy planning Blak History month. We will be holding a special day on Friday, 29 July. Students will be involved in an activity which is aimed at promoting the awareness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. We will be holding a special assembly on the morning of this day. It would be lovely to see as many parents as possible. Please come along.

Parliament House Visit

The two School Captains, Lily and Matthew, have been invited to tour Parliament House this coming Monday. They will be accompanied by Mr David O'Connor, Deputy Principal, and Mrs Tanya Milgate, President of EPSS P&C. I know they will find this tour informative and interesting.

North Districts Athletics

Next week selected students from Years 3 to 6 will be representing our school at the District Athletics Day. I wish all competing students the best of luck. Students should be proud of themselves for being selected in the school team. I know all students will do our school proud by doing their best and by displaying fantastic sportsmanship.

Library Courtyard

The courtyard outside A block is well on the way to being completed. Thank you for your patience. The area is already looking fabulous. The wait will be worth it as I know that students will have a fantastic time using this multi-functional area.

Here's to a productive week.



Ange Padgett
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

School Rules

The time has come to revise our school rules and what they mean. Teachers will be revising through small lessons the school rules, but it is also important that this is supported at home to.

So, the age old question: Why is it important to follow school rules?

School rules are important to follow because they enable the class to run smoothly so that everyone can learn and benefit from what the teacher has to offer. When students follow school rules, everyone, from the teachers to the students, can achieve their goals in the classroom. If teachers didn't institute rules, and students didn't follow them, the classroom environment would be chaotic. They are instituted in the workplace, so it's important students should learn to understand and follow rules before they get to adulthood and need to abide by them to make a living. Rules in the classroom typically pertain to following a teacher's instructions, respecting classmates and being safe.

One of the most effective keys to success is consistency. If we are all on the same page with this, then we are odds on favourites to have a win!



David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

Thanks to everyone who attended both the Parent Rep meeting and the P&C meeting on Monday night. There were some outstanding ideas discussed and we look forward to seeing them come to fruition. Some of the items were:

Grant success!

We were recently informed that EPSS P&C were successful in our application for a grant for \$35,000 for a music room for the hall. This soon-to-be-constructed room means that we will be able to offer a premium facility to our instrumental groups, as well as visiting groups from the region.

Father's Day

Father's Day is steadily approaching. Due to the fact that the EPSS Father's Day celebration would be only 8 days before our 2016 Carnivale, a decision has been made to delay this celebration to early in Term 4. Instead of a stall or breakfast, keep your eyes peeled for further details around an exciting new initiative aimed at recognising all of the Dads at EPSS.

2016 EPSS Carnivale

With only 8 weeks to go, there is a lot of activity happening and the Sponsors advertising is already starting to appear! Thanks to Madeline Hicks Real Estate for agreeing to be the Gold Sponsor for this year's Fete! Further information will be coming in a separate flyer.

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

STUDENT ABSENTEE LINE

If your child/children are going to be away from school it is important that you call the Student Absentee Line on 3550 2277 and leave a message. This number can be called at any time, day or night.

MUSIC NEWS

There will be no Elements music sessions until our new music teacher has been appointed. Keep informed about the Elements music group by reading the weekly school newsletters.

100th DAY CELEBRATIONS IN PREP

Thanks to all of the families that joined us for our special day - this was the largest number of parents that we have had. Everyone had a great day completing a huge number of activities (the final count was 55) which included colouring, making bookmarks and wands. We thank you for coming along and helping us celebrate. I'd also like to say thank you to the families that baked the cupcakes for us. They were delicious! Thank you from the Prep teachers.

ART CLUB

Thank you for all the wonderful support for Art Club last term. We had so many younger students coming along that we had to split up the grades so we were able to cater for you all! We know it was a little confusing so thanks for sticking with it. Term 3 is a bit different. We're taking a break from running regular weekly art club. Soon we'll be looking at specific art projects within the school and this could be an interesting direction. So we won't be running weekly art club but keep creating yourselves and if you see us around, let us know what arty things you're busy doing.

PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Parents are reminded that the car parks on the school grounds, on Deakin Street and at the top of Old Northern Road, are for STAFF ONLY. Also, the driveway into the grounds off Old Northern Road is **not to be used by parents at any time** to pick up children from PCYC.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

The North District athletics trials are being held on Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 July. We have 37 students representing the school at these trials. We wish them all the best. Jump Rope for Heart program is running at the school at the moment.

Fundraising is on line. Please follow the link below.

<http://jumprope.everydayhero.do/jumprope2016/?group=Everton-Park-State-School-EVERTON-PARK-QLD-117961>

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

LIBRARY NEWS

Australia: Story
Country
Book week 20 – 26
August



Have you got a story to tell? Have you been to a fabulous place in Australia? This year we are asking students and families to write a short recount, diary entry or a short story about either a favourite place they have been to in Australia, or an interesting, humorous, or exciting event that has happened to them somewhere in this great country of ours. If you could add a photo or picture as well it would be fantastic. Please hand these into the library.

Please help!

We are desperately seeking help to cover our beautiful new library books! If you can spare some time over the next few weeks please drop in and see me.

Overdue books

There are still books overdue from last term. If a student has lost a book we ask that you replace it or cover the cost to buy a new one. Please email or call me if you have any queries.

Morning Reading Club

Morning Reading Club hopefully will start back again next week. Looking forward to seeing all those eager readers.

Ms Lukey
Teacher/Librarian
bluke1@eq.edu.au

Uniform Shop



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

Price Rises

Please note that the price of hats is now \$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 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 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



TUCKERBOX

The Tuckerbox is open Monday,
Thursday and Friday.

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

JULY ROSTER

Thursday 21 – Jennifer Congram
Friday 22 – Vicky Wilson, Jo Baird, Sam Nicholson
Thursday 28 – Melissa Lynch
Friday 29 – Jo Hennessey, Katrina Langtry, Bea Bridgland



Winter Menu Term 3

Hawaiian or BBQ Chicken Pizza
\$3.50

Warm Milo \$1.50

Garlic Bread \$1.10

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

Katrina Coomber
Tuckshop Convenor

ATTACHMENTS

- EPSS Calendar
- Mitchelton State High school enrolment 2017