

NEWSLETTER NO.22

JULY 27, 2016

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

28th Footsteps Dance Program in the Hall
31st Fete meeting 3pm at Everton Park Hotel

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.

Every Day Counts

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximize their potential.

The two tables below highlight the need for regular attendance as well as the need to be on time.

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...	Which means the best your child might perform is ...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 11
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2.5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 10
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>	 Equal to finishing in grade 7
3 days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>	 Equal to finishing at grade 4

He/ She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per Year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

Please ensure your child is at school every day and on time unless they are sick. To get the most out of a good education, children need to go to school every day. School attendance has a major influence on educational outcomes. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve better results at school and are more likely to complete their schooling.



Parents can make it easier for their child to attend school by having a positive attitude to learning and education.

Poor school attendance patterns can start as early as Year 1. It is important that from the first day of school parents set an expectation that their children will be at school every day. Missing an average of ten days of school a term adds up to missing two full years of schooling by the end of Year 10.

Research shows that poor school attendance can be associated with:

- lower academic achievement including literacy and numeracy
- early school leaving
- leaving school with fewer qualifications
- reduced opportunities for students to learn and access educational resources, further limiting achievement
- further absenteeism in higher year levels
- increased alcohol, tobacco and substance use in adolescents.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or require assistance with ensuring your child is attending school regularly.

Blak History Month

This month our school has promoted Blak History Month. Blak History Month recognizes that Australia is steeped in rich Aboriginal and Torres Strait history. It is felt that a day and a week is not enough time to celebrate the significant achievements and history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people so the movement is celebrated over the month. Blak History Month is a time where we can reflect on those who have fostered positive social change or achievement for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This Friday we are holding a special day to conclude our celebration of Blak History Month. There will be a special assembly commencing at 9am. All parents are welcome to attend.

School Opinion Survey

Thank you to those Parents/Caregivers, who have taken five minutes to complete this year's *School Opinion Survey*. The survey closes this Friday, 29 July. If you haven't already done so, please take the time to do this survey. Your feedback is valued. 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.

Here's to a fantastic week.

Ange Padgett
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Parliament House Visit

This week the school captains, Tanya Milgate (P&C President) and I were given a tour of the parliamentary precinct which was hosted by Tim Mander. We all got to see a bit of history and learn more about our state government processes. Our tour concluded with an impressive lunch in The Speaker of the House's private courtyard which, I'm told, is a big privilege as not many "strangers" (parliamentary term) are ever invited in there. Thank you to Mr Mander for inviting us for the experience.

David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

P&C NEWS

We hope you got a chance to look over the Fete Newsletter last week. There is a lot of valuable information about our biggest fundraiser which is only held every two years! We are still looking for representatives from year 5 and 6 to run (or help run) a stall. For those families moving on to high school next year, this could be your opportunity to create some special final memories of the school and it's community.

Don't forget the next Fete meeting is on Sunday, 31 July at 3pm at the Everton

Park Hotel. Please bring to this meeting an update on your area of coordination. If you have any questions please call Renee Kempin on 0407 142 178 or email reneefete@gmail.com

Tanya Milgate
P & C President
bandcpresident@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.

CHEERLEADING

There will be NO Cheerleading Reserves next Tuesday (2 August). We will have a make-up session on Monday, 1 August at 2nd Break. The girls are to meet me in the shed, with their lunchboxes, at the beginning of the break. Both Pups and Squad rehearsals are as normal. Miss Rogers

BOOK CLUB ISSUE #5 2016

The 2016 Issue #5 catalogues for Book Club are now out and orders close this Friday, 29 July 2016. Please note that orders after this date cannot be accepted.

Due to the construction on the courtyard outside the library, the book club order form box has been placed in the office.

Did you know our school earns 20% in Scholastic Rewards on all Book Club orders? Recently, \$264 worth of books were purchased from these accumulated Scholastic Rewards! Your purchases are directly helping to provide new library resources for all children's use.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to leave a message for me at the office and I will contact you as soon as possible.

Carol Morrison
Book Club Coordinator

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.

Administration Team

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Congratulations to the athletics team who participated at the North District Athletics Trials on Monday and Tuesday this week. The team performed very well over the two days achieving great results.

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 ijbounceback@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 28 – Melissa Lynch
Friday 29 – Jo Hennessey, Katrina Langtry, Bea Bridgland

AUGUST ROSTER

Thursday 4 – can someone help please?
Friday 5 – Joy Wood, Ann Jabas, Julie Beardmore



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

ATTACHMENTS

- EPSS Calendar
- Stallholders Application form