



## 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.**

Thank you to those parents who consistently send their children to school every day and on time. There is a direct correlation between attendance and results. When students are late into class this interferes with the teaching program and therefore hinders students' learning. Please be respectful to others learning and ensure your child is in class on time, every day. A high level of attendance is giving your child the best opportunity possible. Please ensure that your child is at school every day, unless ill. It is almost impossible for teachers to make up the number of lessons missed during large absences or constant late arrivals.

Mr O'Connor, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Rogers and I attended a regional Principal Meeting on Tuesday. The direction from regional office is to ensure each school has a narrow and unrelenting focus. At Everton Park State School our focus is unrelenting and narrow – our school's writing program. Teachers meet on a regular basis to analyse data and develop plans that map out plans that outline strategies to assist with moving every child forward.

Key Messages relevant for Everton Park State School in terms of our School Improvement Agenda came from Mark Campling, our Regional Director. Mark's comments are based on an enormous bank of research from such educationalists as Crevola, Hatti and Vygotsky

- High Quality Teaching makes the biggest difference in terms of improving student learning outcomes
- Good Teachers know their students
- 'Know their' students' means – know where students are at and know what strategies are needed to lift performance to the next level
- Collaboration is a 'key' – collaboration with a student focus – value added collaboration whereby each participant leaves the meeting having 'added value' to current practice and instruction (pedagogy).

Schools are being encouraged to use the Cycle of Inquiry model below to move students forward.



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## CALENDAR

### AUGUST

4 <sup>th</sup>	Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
9 <sup>th</sup>	Breakfast club at the Hall
10 <sup>th</sup>	EKKA HOLIDAY
11 <sup>th</sup>	Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
12 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Athletics Carnival (P – 3)
15 <sup>th</sup>	P&C meeting 7pm in Library
15 <sup>th</sup>	Chaplaincy Meeting 3:15pm
18 <sup>th</sup>	Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
15-19 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week
16 <sup>th</sup>	Prep K to Sensitivity Unit
16 <sup>th</sup>	ICAS Maths test
17 <sup>th</sup>	Prep R to Sensitivity Unit
18 <sup>th</sup>	Prep P to Sensitivity Unit
22-26 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week
26 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week Dress-up Day
29 <sup>th</sup>	2017 Prep Enrolments commence

### SEPTEMBER

1st	Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
1st	Band and Strings tour day
6 <sup>th</sup>	Breakfast Club at the Hall
8 <sup>th</sup>	Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
9 <sup>th</sup>	Brisbane Writer's Festival at State Library
10 <sup>th</sup>	EPSS Fete Carnivale



Provisional NAPLAN data has been released to schools. The preliminary analysis of this data shows encouraging results. Once the final results are in, I will share this with our school community. Year 3 and Year 5 students will receive Individual Student NAPLAN reports outlining their results in the coming weeks.

As a culminating activity for Blak History month, our Indigenous students will be going on an excursion to view the Art of Skins Exhibition. I know all students will learn a lot about their culture and will have fun viewing the exhibition.

This Tuesday staff will be involved in a twilight professional development session. The session will explore the use of reading assessments as a diagnostic tool to match appropriate strategies and instruction to move students forward.

We are currently looking at all classes for 2017. I ask that if you have children that will be starting Prep next year that you ensure you have contacted our school office to pick up enrolment details. Similarly I ask that if your child will not be returning to Everton Park State School in 2017, that you let our office know this week.

Reminder this Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August is a public holiday for the EKKA.

Here's to a fantastic week.

Ange Padgett

Principal

## P&C NEWS

A big thanks to all of those ladies who attended the Fete meeting on Sunday. It was especially lovely to see one of our new Mums – welcome Bea!. There will be meetings each Sunday afternoon at 3pm right up until Fete day and everyone is welcome, so come along – we'd love to see you there!

For all things Fete, please make sure you read the Fete Newsletter which will be out each Thursday. This will have all of the information you need, from the items that each stall needs to be donated through to updates about the awesome Entertainment line-up. Make sure you read it!! Remember – an event is only as good as the people who support it.

Have a great week  
Tanya Milgate  
pandcpresident@everparkss.eq.edu.au

## MORNING READING CLUB

Morning Reading Club will be starting again next week, in the library before school.

## LIBRARY NEWS

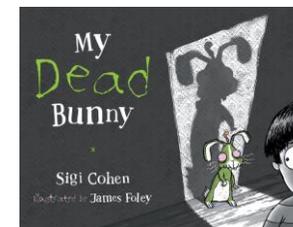
### Australia: Story Country Book week August 20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>

Book week celebrates all the amazing Australian authors of Children's books. All the categories are shortlisted down to six final books. <https://cbca.org.au/> During library time students have the chance to read these books and choose their favourites. Book week always has a theme and this year it is all about Australia and the stories that have made us. At a special assembly on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of August all students, staff and the school community have the chance to dress up as a book character or something Australian and participate in this yearly event. Prizes go to the most creative costumes. We encourage homemade, recycled simple ideas.

**Desperately seeking help** to cover our beautiful new library books! If you can spare some time over the next few weeks drop in and see me. 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** will start back again next week.

Ms Lukey Teacher/Librarian [bluke1@eq.edu.au](mailto:bluke1@eq.edu.au)

**My Dead Bunny** by Sigi Cohen and James Foley shortlisted for picture book of the year. A hilarious rhyming tale about a zombie bunny who comes back to visit his owner.



*"My dead bunny's name is Brad  
His odour is extremely bad.  
He visits me when I'm in bed  
But Bradley wasn't always dead ..."*

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## PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

### North District Athletics Results.

Congratulations to all the students who competed at the North District Athletics Trials last week. The team had great results across many events. The 12 year old Boys relay team came 2<sup>nd</sup>, well done boys. Congratulations to Spencer Allen, Grace Buchanan, Brandon Foster, Allan Kennedy and Anika Schutte. These students will be representing North District at the Met North Regional Trials on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August. We wish them all the best.

### Gala Day Sport Term 4

In Term 4 students in Years 4 – 6 will have 4 Gala Days for Interschool sport. The gala days will be held in Weeks 1 (7/10), 2 (14/10), 4 (28/10) & 5 (4/11). The day will run from approximately 11 – 3pm. An expression of interest letter will be sent home this week. Please fill in and return to your child's classroom teacher by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August. The approximate cost will be \$40, this may change. Please do not send any money to the office at this stage. Sports offered will be touch football, beach volleyball and kanga cricket.

### Jump Rope for Heart Foundation.

The Jump Rope for heart program has been running this term. Please make any donations online, every little bit helps. The last day for donations is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August. At this stage 17 students have raised \$1804, which is fantastic. Please get behind this foundation its for a worthy cause. Here is the link:

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

Thank you  
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PE Teacher

## YEAR 6 YEARBOOK

### Cover Design Results

A big thank you is extended to all our entrants in the Yearbook Cover Competition. The competition winners are:

Front Cover: Sophie M and Mariska S (combined entry).  
Contents Page: Maddie K.

Thanks again to all who contributed. The Committee will try to use all entries in some way.

## CHAPLAINCY NEWS

### Chaplaincy Committee Meeting

The chaplaincy committee will be meeting on Monday, 15 August after school.

We will hear from Chappy Nikki as to how the chaplaincy service is benefiting our children, as well as discuss ideas on how we can continue to shape the chaplaincy service and raise much needed funding to continue and increase the service.

Interested in being involved? Please come along.

Email [chaplaincy@everparkss.eq.edu.au](mailto:chaplaincy@everparkss.eq.edu.au) or contact Naomi Seaton on 0433445311 for venue details.

## 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.

### 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 [jibounceback@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jibounceback@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.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> HAND UNIFORMS NEEDED

Do you have uniforms that the children have grown out of? Bring them into us!! We need your 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**Hats - \$15**  
**Second hand clothes - \$15**  
**Second hand jackets - \$25**

## TUCKERBOX NEWS

Please use our online ordering system, [flexischools.com.au](http://flexischools.com.au), to order your child's lunch.

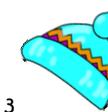
### AUGUST ROSTER

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Shynyn Monck

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – Joy Wood, Ann Jabas, Julie Beardmore

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Sherryn Overlack

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Karla Chaffey, Rebecca Gardiner, Kirstin Banvill



### 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



It's business as usual for the Junior Athletics Carnival on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August. The Tuckerbox will be selling the delicious Twisted Frozen Yoghurt again for \$2.50. First break only. Online orders please.

Katrina Coomber  
Tuckshop Convenor



## MUSIC NEWS

### **THURSDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER**

There is a planned tour day for our senior strings and senior band students on Thursday 1st September. Information about this will be sent home in coming weeks.

### **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM 2017**

Stay Tuned for information about Instrumental Music Program. Our strings program is after careful selection is for year 3 students and Our band program is for children in year 4.

### **SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER**

Penny Hall will be performing with Queensland Wind and Brass in their concert 'Witchcraft and Wizardy' featuring music from Harry Potter, Lord of The Rings, Wicked and The Wizard of Oz. on Saturday 10th September at 7.30 pm at the old museum, Gregory Tce. For further information go to [www.qwab.com.au](http://www.qwab.com.au) for more details. Children's tickets are free and they are more than welcome to get dressed up!!!

### **NORTHSIDE HONOURS CAMP AUDITIONS**

Well Done to all of our students in the senior band and in the senior string ensemble who recently auditioned for the northside honours camp!!! Students will find out if they have been accepted into the camp on 7th - 9th September in the coming week.

Please remind your children to keep practising - remember PRACTICE = PROGRESS!!!!

Viva La Musica!!!

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