



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.



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CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 11th Footsteps Dance program in the Hall
- 12th Junior Athletics Carnival (P – 3)
- 15th P&C meeting 7pm in Library
- 15th Chaplaincy Meeting 3:15pm
- 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
- 29th 2017 Prep Enrolments commence

SEPTEMBER

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

New playground area

On Monday we had some very excited students test out the new courtyard. This space has allowed us to have an additional area for eating. We are trialing the Prep to Year 3 students using this area for eating. We will be monitoring this over the next few weeks. It is so nice to see how grateful and appreciative the students are of this revamped courtyard. We have also had hand ball lines painted as well as the chess boards revamped.

New playground activity roster

This week we commenced our new Playground Activity Roster. Most teachers have willingly given up an additional lunch time to run an activity with students. I have attached the roster with this newsletter. As you can see, there is a variety of activities to please all tastes. Students are really excited about these activities. I am extremely thankful to the teachers and teacher aides for giving up their time to make this possible. The school is really proud of the improvements we are making to ensure that school is a pleasurable experience for our students, staff and school community.

NAPLAN results

NAPLAN data has been released to schools. A big congratulations to all year 3 and year 5 students for doing their best. Our overall results were very pleasing. We are particularly proud of our Upper Two Band (U2B) data in Reading. We had 61.2% of our Year 3 students in the U2Bs for Reading, and increase of 13.6% of students represented and 58.5% of Year 5 students in the U2Bs for Reading, an increase of 24.5% of the students represented. Reading has been a huge focus for Everton Park State School, therefore it is wonderful to see such a significant improvement in our data. We are fortunate to have amazing teachers who see the value of consistent, whole of school programs, where explicit teaching is the main game. Thank you also to parents for your continued partnership with the school.

Junior athletics carnival

Our Junior Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday. I welcome all parents. There will be a coffee van for your convenience.

Science week

Next week we will be involved in Science Week. A big thank you to Ms Moser for organising science activities for the entire school. Students will be involved in fun but educational science activities. The Queensland University of Technology van will also be visiting.

Enrolment 2017

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 that you have contacted our school office we have your 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.

Lastly, I would like to welcome our new Music Teacher, Claire Van Vuuren. I know Claire will enjoy her time at Everton Park State School.

Here's to a fantastic week.



Ange Padgett

Principal

LIBRARY NEWS

Australia: Story Country Book week August 20th to 26th

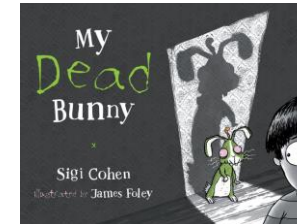
Book week celebrates all the amazing Australian authors of Children's books. All the categories are shortlisted down to six final books.

<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 26th 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

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 ..."*

Ms Lukey
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SUCCESS HONOUR EXCELLENCE

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Due to recent events in Queensland State Schools, The Department of Education is pushing this safety initiative. Violent or abusive behaviour will not be tolerated in our schools. It's not just a courtesy. It's the law.

The Respect our staff, respect our school campaign aims to create safer and more respectful communities in Queensland state schools.

The campaign is part of the Queensland Government's commitment to tackle the issue of violence and continue to provide a safe and supportive learning environment for all students and school staff.

We all have different beliefs, expectations and experiences, so there are inevitably going to be times where conflicts or disagreements occur in schools. How we handle those conflicts can make a significant difference to the learning and development of our students and the positive environments we aim to foster.

The safety of our students and staff is the number one priority and everyone in the community plays a part in ensuring learning environments are safe.

All members of the community are encouraged to work together to prevent abuse and violence directed towards school staff.

The department is working with P and Cs Queensland to develop tips for parents that will provide guidance on communicating with school staff positively and productively.

Cowboys support respectful relationships

North Queensland Cowboys, Johnathan Thurston and Matthew Bowen, have recently shown their support for the Respectful Relationships Education program developed by the Department of Education and Training earlier this year.

The Respectful Relationships Education program is part of the Queensland Government's commitment to ending domestic and family violence.

Our school supports the program to support students to develop pro-social behaviours that lead to equitable and respectful relationships.

If you haven't already, I encourage you to read what Thurston and Bowen have said about the program and check out the resources available to help support you and your family at www.pandcsqld.com.au/respectful-relationships/

Everton Park State School Fete Carnivale 2016

Now is the time to get behind our P&C and get on board with the team.

The Conga line is forming and we can always use more members to help share the load. Please contact the P&C if you can help out!

David O'Connor
Deputy Principal

CROSSING SUPERVISOR POSITION VACANT

A position exists for a Casual School Crossing Supervisor at Everton Park State School.

Some pre-employment conditions apply. The roster may require five days per fortnight in all weather conditions, 1 hour 15 mins per day on a rostered basis.

Pay Rate \$28.18 per hour.

Applications are available from the School Administration.

Applications close: Friday, 26 August 2016

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 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!!!

Band queries - contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au
String queries contact Anne Keenan at akeen9@eq.edu.au

TUCKERBOX NEWS

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

AUGUST ROSTER

Thursday 11th – Sherryn Overlack

Friday 12th – Karla Chaffey, Rebecca Gardiner, Kirstin Banvill

Thursday 18th – Jennifer Congram

Friday 19th – Janene Ashton, Penny Valentine, 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.



JUNIOR ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

It's business as usual for the Junior Athletics Carnival on this Friday 12th August. However, the junior athletes will have a shorter first break at 11.00am. They will need to eat quicker if they are to get their treats that have been ordered from the Tuckshop.



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It's business as usual for the Junior Athletics Carnival on Friday 12th 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

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.

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

Jeanette Jenkinson
Uniform Shop Convenor

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 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.

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 2nd, well done boys. Congratulations to Spencer A, Grace, Brandon, Allan K and Anika S. These students will be representing North District at the Met North Regional Trials on Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th 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 Interscholar 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 Friday 5th August. The approximate cost will be \$40, this may change. Please do not send any money to the office at this stage.

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 19th August. At this stage 17 students have raised \$1804, which is fantastic. Please get behind this foundation as it is a worthy cause.

Thank you
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PE Teacher



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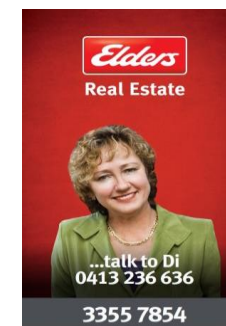
CHEERLEADING

Well done everyone. We have had great attendance over the last few weeks, which has helped as we are working on the choreography of our routines.

Pups and Squad - there will be **NO PRACTICE on Monday 15** August. Reserves will be as normal next week.

ATTACHMENTS

- Term 3 Calendar
- Science Week information



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