FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

Term 4 Sport
Students playing interschool sport in Term Four will receive a permission letter this week. We will be invoicing students a one-off amount of $45 which covers the cost of the district levy ($5) and the buses ($5.75 per week). We believe that the one-off payment will make Fridays run a little smoother as we will not have to check from week to week which students have paid.

Even though there will be eight weeks of sport we will only be invoicing parents the cost of seven weeks of transport. Each year we usually have at least one Friday where interschool sport is cancelled due to wet weather and so to avoid having to issue refunds we have taken this into consideration. The school will cover the costs associated for the last Friday if there are no cancellations. For your child to participate in sport they will need to have paid by Thursday 10 October. As always, please contact the office if you would like to discuss a payment plan.

Changes to Parking/Drop Zone in Lyne Street and surrounds
Recently the Brisbane City Council made changes to the Lyne Street and surrounding area Drop Zone/Parking. The changes will make it safer for students being dropped off/picked up and will improve traffic flow and congestion in this tiny street. If you need to queue to enter the drop zone on Lyne Street, it is recommended you do a U-turn at the very end of Barton Street and queue adjacent the pool on Barton Street.

Alternative to doing a U-Turn on Deakin Street
If you are entering the school area via Barton Street, you can now use the Lyne Street Drop Zone to drop off your children and safely exit the area. This will avoid dangerous U-Turns in Deakin Street.
P&C NEWS

Build a Path!

One of our Dads has kindly offered to help pave a path from the big shed behind the Prep classrooms during the school holidays. We need a few people who can help out – the day is yet to be determined as we need to find out when people are available. Do you know how to lay pavers, or would you like to learn?? Here’s your opportunity! Please contact me at pandcgpresident@everparkss.eq.edu.au if you’re able to help, with days that you’re available during the school holidays. We’ll try to coordinate a day that suits most people. As always, food and refreshments will be provided!

If you’re not able to help, we also need the following equipment:
- 3 wheelbarrows, 2 maddocs, 2 square-mouth shovels, 1 screen 1 to 1.5m length, 1 jack hammer with spade bit, 1 vibrating plate (wakka packer), 1 brick saw, 2 screeb bars, 1 wooden float, 1 level

Please let us know if you’re able to loan any of the above items to us. Thanks!

Amy List
P&C President

CLASS NEWS

Prep C – We all had a wonderful evening when our Dads came to Prep on Tuesday. There were block towers everywhere. We enjoyed reading, painting and playing games with Dad. Our silkworms are growing and we have learnt lots of facts about insects. We are looking forward to the school picnic on Friday. Have a great holiday. Student of the Week – Evan S.

Prep R - This week we have negotiated to learn about teddy bears. The children are reading books, completing a variety of art activities, using the Maths teddy bears and more. We are very excited to finish the week with a Teddy Bears’ Picnic on Friday. We hope that everyone has a safe and restful holiday and come back ready to attach Term 4! Student of the Week – Claire L.

Prep 1R - This week in English Year 1 students are writing and orally presenting a retell of a traditional story. Preps are creating a 4 line rhyme and responding to a rhyming story. In Numeracy, Year 1 students are working on number with a focus on doubles and halves, skip counting and place value. Preps are finishing their reading books and are surveying the class to collect data. In Science, Year 1 students will be presenting their Teralba Creek collage to the class and explaining the changes they have shown in their picture. Prep students are continuing their work on weather looking at how it affects their everyday lives. Student of the Week Joanna C.

1B, 1C, 1S - This week we are busy finishing our assessment in English, Maths and Science. The children have been presenting their Science collages depicting a creek landscape. They have discussed changes to their landscape caused by either flood or drought. The collages will be on display in the classroom next term. Parent/ teacher interviews will be held early next term. You will be advised of available times during week 1. We are very proud of the Year 1 effort in the Spellathon. What great spellers! Thank you to the people who have already collected and returned their money.

We wish you all a safe, happy and relaxing holiday. Students of the Week 1B Alex K, 1C Bailey S and 1S Duan M.

2E & 2W - Year 2 have finished off assessment this week and are celebrating our learning. We have been working hard over the last few weeks on our reading comprehension, finding factual information in texts, writing bullet points and turning sentences into words. In Maths we have learnt how to count collections of money, finding different ways of making an amount and working out small change. Don’t forget that this Friday is our Gold Card day picnic lunch on the oval. Students are asked to just bring their own lunch on the day. Thanks parents for your help over this term. Have a wonderful break everyone. Students of the Week: Lilly M in 2W and Ruby D in 2E.

3K – Congratulations to all 3K students for their magnificent effort in our school’s Spell-a-thon. We have certainly come a long way with our spelling this year! Keep up the hard work! Initial checks have shown that the Spelling Day sponsorship money was due this past Monday but it is now THIS Friday (20th September). Good Card Day has changed this term. This Friday from 9 – 10am, 2/3M, 1B, 1C, 1S and 3/4B will still do rotational activities to commend students for their outstanding behaviour. From 10 – 11am we will have a whole school picnic on the oval. Please assist your child to bring a plate/container of food to share with their peers. Don’t forget your picnic blankets! A friendly reminder to all students to purchase extra stationery (particularly lead pencils) in order to replenish the stock that you have used so far this year. On a final note, I hope that everyone enjoys their September holidays. We all deserve a well-earned break. See you in Term 4!

3/4B - Two days to go and our students are very deserving of the celebrations that will take place over the next couple of days. They have put in an enormous effort this term and it has been evident in their work. There has been a great deal of progress made by all the students in a variety of areas, so I am very proud of them and happy to reward them! On Thursday we will prepare fruit juice ‘icy cups’ to eat at our Gold Card Day Picnic. On Friday we will be turning in on GCD celebration activities and a whole-school picnic on the oval. Please consider sending in a plate of snacks for the class to share and/or a picnic rug for the children to sit on. Feel free to join us for a quick snack before we move on to playing some games with the other classes. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday period.

4L & 4P - We made it to the end of Term Three! We have spent the last week of term finishing off our assessment in all our subjects. We sure feel as though we deserve to have a fun celebration day on Gold Card Day and we are looking forward to our picnic on the oval. Well done to all the year 4’s for their great

Loading zone - two minutes maximum
Passenger loading zones allow you to set down and pick up your child within two minutes. This time can be used to help your children with bags and seat belts. You cannot leave your car and go into the school while your car is in this zone.

How to use two-minute zones (see also Brisbane City Council website www.brisbane.qld.gov.au)

Do:
- Use the zone like a quick moving taxi rank
- Move forward as space becomes available
- Ensure children watch for their ride and move promptly to the vehicle
- Load and unload passengers only at the head of the line
- Stay in the car unless loading/unloading baggage or passengers

Don’t:
- Park for more than two minutes - you may be fined!
- Leave the vehicle, except to help load or unload. This is an offence during the hours of operation
- Reverse into the zone - you will put other children in danger. Join the queue
- Call children to the bottom of the queue or across the road

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch on 13 17 88. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

2014 School Calendar

The 2014 school dates have been released and are outlined below. A calendar can be downloaded from http://education.qld.gov.au/public_media/calendar/holidays.html

Queensland Term Dates 2014

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Regards
Brad Clark
Principal
efforts with the spellathon and thank-you to all the parents who contributed. We wish everybody a safe and happy holiday. Students of the Week: 4P – Stirling L and 4L – Tama T.

4/5I - In English we will continue with our new units which are exploring recounts set in the past in Year 4 and Examining media texts in Year 5. For Maths this week we will be looking at 2D Shapes, Fractions and Operations in Year 4 and Symmetry, Length, Area, Capacity, Mass and Operations in Year 5. In History we will be completing the Assessment phase of our Units. Have a great holiday, I will look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday, 8 October. Student of the Week: Jessica B.

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6/7P – The last week of term 3 is now upon us and 6/7P are working hard until the very end. We are studying poetry in the form of songs and anthems this week and are completing assorted assessment pieces in Maths and Health. For Gold Card Day on Friday we are having a picnic. Remember to include a treat in your lunch to help celebrate the achievements of term 3. Well done to everyone in 6/7P, you have worked very hard this term! Have a great week everyone!

7S – We have made it through to the last week of term 3. Congratulations to those parents who volunteered to mark the tests. Money from the Spellathon is distributed to those parents who got a sponsor and practised their spelling words. A special thank you goes out to those parents who volunteered to mark the tests. Students of the Week: Tama T and Stirling L.

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7S – We have made it through til the last week of Term 4. Students in 7S are still going strong and this week we will be celebrating the end of our assessment. I am very proud to say that 100% of students in 7S significantly improved in their NAPLAN reading results compared to when they were in Gr 5. All their reading this year has paid off. At this stage the school has received a snapshot of NAPLAN data. Parents will receive individual reports for each student in the beginning of Term 4. Friday we will be celebrating GOLD CARD Day with a picnic on the oval at 10am. Have a safe and fun filled holiday! See you in Term 4.

**WRITERS’ FESTIVAL**

A number of students who displayed a talent in writing were given an exciting glimpse into the world of literature when they received an invitation to attend Word Play – a student-focused Brisbane Writers’ Festival program. The activities took place around the Cultural Precinct, South Brisbane on Friday, 6 September. Students listened to and interacted with a range of professional authors and illustrators, including: Michael Gerard Bauer, Sally Rippin, Oliver Phommavanh and Deborah Abela. “I got many great tips from the authors I listened to,” exclaimed Jack W. “My favourite author was Margaret Clark. She was awesome.”

**GOLD CARD DAY**

This Friday, 20 September, we will be celebrating the success of our students in managing their own behaviour and upholding our school rules and values with a “School Picnic Lunch”. Our celebration will begin at 10am and continue into 1st break. All classes will be located on the terraces and oval areas for their picnics. We warmly invite parents to attend with their children’s classes and help us to mark the successes our students are having with their demonstration of great behaviour. For any specific information for individual classes, please contact individual class teachers and they will help you out.

**SPELLATHON**

Congratulations to all of our Super Spellers for their great results during last week’s Spellathon. It was great to see such a big effort from so many students who got a sponsor and practised their words. A special thank you goes out to those parents who volunteered to mark the tests. Money from the Spellathon is due by Friday 20th September and the prize winners will be announced early next term.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

Please return any overdue books and if you are going away on holidays it would be appreciated if our library books are returned on Friday. Our Council Libraries are fantastic and free. If you haven’t joined why not give it a go in these holidays. Also, if you are looking for something to do in the holidays the State Library and the Art Galleries in the Cultural Centre precinct are definitely places to head to. Some of our morning reading club students visited the State Library last Friday and had a fantastic time. Congratulations to 5T for their spooky performance of the classic poem “Hist Hark” by C.J.Dennis. It’s wonderful to see poetry not only being read but performed. Well done Mrs T!**

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS**

As we head into the holidays I wish everybody a safe and active break. Here are a couple of things to keep in mind for next term-

- Term 4 Interschool sport starts on the first Friday back (11th October).
- Swimming will start in the second week back in Term 4 for all from P-7. Please check your swimming gear to ensure it is all named and ready to go - togs, cap, towel, goggles, sunscreen, swimming bag.
- Finally, some flyers will be coming home from the Pine Hills Football (soccer) club this week regarding some of the programs they offer. Please take the time to read these. Yours in sport, Trent Thomas.
ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL UPDATE

*On Monday, our Years 5, 6 and 7 students participated in the FREE ‘Bus Buzz’ program. Thank you to the classroom teachers for ensuring that their students didn’t miss out on this important information session on public transport.

*Our school will celebrate ‘Terrific Traveller Tuesday’ again on Tuesday, 29 October and 26 November. Students that travel to school ACTIVELY on these days will receive a stamp in their passport. If they travel actively on the Fridays of that week too, they get another stamp in their passport! Double stamps for those Fridays! Active School Travel is awesome!

*Students can claim their AST prizes (check your passports to see if you have acquired enough stamps) from Miss K’s classroom (room 19) on Fridays - first break (during play time).

*Are you a Year 5 student who doesn’t have a leadership role? Or perhaps you’re just a person that likes to ‘help out’? The Active Travel Crew NEEDS YOU! The Active School Travel Crew are looking for Year 5 students to help with stamping student’s hands at the school gates for future upcoming Active School Travel events. Please see Miss K (room 19) to express your interest.

JUNIOR CHOIR NEWS

Congratulations to the Junior Choir members who performed at Wheller Gardens Nursing Home on Wednesday. They sang beautifully, and they had very enjoyable conversations with the elderly residents after the choir’s performance. The staff and residents of Wheller Gardens were delighted with the entertainment! Thank you to the parents and grandparents who helped with transport and supervision: Tanya Kendall, Sharon Fogarty, Dean Weston, Natalie Leach, Fay Wellington, Amanda Esposito, Janene Ashton, Penny Turner, Penny Valentine and David Steinitz. Mrs Sharon Fogarty also doubled up as an accompanist - many thanks for your wonderful piano playing! The Junior Choir will re-commence in Week 1 of Term 4. See you there!

ELEMENTS

Our vocal/instrumental group performed on Parade last Friday - many people really appreciated all the effort and rehearsal that goes into such a performance. Well done and keep on working hard. If there are students who would like to join Elements next term, we meet every Tuesday in the Music Room at 8.00 am. Happy Holidays!

Bernadette Crook
Choir & Class Music Teacher

MUSIC NEWS

Congratulations to all of our students who attended the Northside Junior Music camp last week! They all worked extremely hard and the concert was awesome. A special thanks to all parents/guardians who came along to the concert and for giving your children the opportunity to take part in a great event.

BAND PROGRAM - 2014

Information has been sent home to our year 4 students about our band program. However, if your child is entering year 5 or above and is not already learning a strings or band instrument and they are interested in learning a band instrument in 2014 please contact Penny Hall. Testing for different instruments will be happening Wednesday 9th October.

Band and Strings Tour Day - Thursday 19th September

Our string ensemble and concert band (students who practise before school on Wednesdays) are looking forward to their tour day on Thursday 19th September. What time does my child need to arrive at our school? 7.45 am. What time is the excursion? 8.30 - 2.00 pm. What do they need to wear on the day? - music polo shirt with long black pants/trousers and black shoes. What does my child need to bring on the day?

- Hat, water bottle, music, instrument and accessories, collapsible music stand, lunch and afternoon tea, pencil case and books needed for their class teacher for the last session of the day (2.00 - 3.00pm)
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- music
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- collapsible music stand
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Lessons and band rehearsals resume with Penny Hall on Wednesday 9th October

Lessons and string ensemble rehearsals resume with Kathryn Payne on Thursday 10th October

For all string queries (please contact Kathryn Payne who teaches at our school on THURSDAYS) - kpayn49@eq.edu.au

For all band queries (please contact Penny Hall who teaches at our school on WEDNESDAYS) - phall35@eq.edu.au

DAY FOR DANIEL

25 October 2013

This year we will be participating in the Day for Daniel on Friday, 25 October. All children, parents and staff are encouraged to wear a red shirt on the day (or black if you can’t wear red) and donate a gold coin to go to the Daniel Morecombe Foundation. We will be incorporating safety initiatives on the day and are hoping that our local police officer will come and talk to us on the day. The Day for Daniel is the Daniel Morecombe Foundation’s National Day of Action promoting children’s personal safety and providing Aussie Kids with valuable life skills. Please support this very important day as much as you can. Tracey Irwin (4/5 Teacher)

CHEERLEADING

This week was the final practice for the Pups and Reserves. Next term we will have 4 weeks of auditions (please read the note below). We are also very excited as our Cheer Squad is heading to Nationals on Friday night. We will perform 2 routines (this is the debut of our Pom routine), so wishing all of the girls the best of luck and remember - SMILE!!

2014 Cheer teams - Want to be on one of our Cheerleading teams next year? Auditions will begin next term. You MUST attend the auditions this year, to be given a spot on the teams next year (no late enrolments will be taken, except new students to the school). They will run for the first 4 weeks of next term. Cheer Pups and Reserves will finish at the end of Week 4. Squad will continue as we have one final competition to practice for. Prep - Yr 2 Mondays at 7.45am Yr 3 - 6 - Tuesdays at 7.45am Squad - normal afternoon practices.

FOUND

A pair of children’s reading glasses have been found. Please enquire at the office. Also, a silver bracelet was found on the grounds last week. Please enquire at the office.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Remember!

The Tuckshop is now open Monday, Thursday and Fridays 8.15am to 11.45 am.

SEPTEMBER ROSTER

Thursday 19
Misato Betts
Friday 20
Penny Valentine, Janene Ashton, Carol McLean

OCTOBER ROSTER

Thursday 10
Carol Gavegan
Friday 11
Penny Liddell, Carol Gilmour, Sam Muir

Please remember, Prep to Grade 2 children may not buy items over the counter. Everything needs to be ordered online or on a paper bag.
Krazy Lemon homestyle lemonade $2.00.
Trop-0-Saurus Slime Paddle Pop $1.90.

Yippe! Holidays are almost here! Most food is available this week with only some flavour options or snack items not in stock. The online menu is updated daily but if you are ordering over-the-counter, please understand that your child may not get exactly what has been ordered.

Have a great holiday everyone.
Katrina
Tuckshop Convenor

**Tuckshop Online Ordering is here!**
Run out of bread? Not enough cash on hand? Order your tuckshop lunches online!
Getting online is easy and only takes a few minutes to register. Simply go to [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) and follow the instructions.
Please note - paper bag ordering is still available.

**ONLINE ORDERING**
- Available 24/7
- Convenient for parents
- Removes paper orders and cash
- FREE registration

Online ordering is more convenient, providing a 24/7 payment and ordering system that can be accessed from home, work or a mobile device.
No more fumbling around for coins in the morning or sending kids to school with excess cash, online orders are faster and more accurate giving parents peace of mind that their order and payment is received accurately at the school.
Registration is free and only takes a few minutes.

**LOST PROPERTY**
If your child is missing an item of clothing, drink bottle or lunch box could you please check (or get your child to check) the lost property box under C Block.
There are many items that are named and waiting to be collected.