FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

New Two Minute Zone
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.

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 seatbelts. 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.

2014 Classes
Over the last two weeks I have had enrolment interviews with our 78 new Prep for 2014. We are starting to look at class numbers for next year and we would greatly appreciate if parents could let us know if your child is attending a different school next year. Please contact the office as soon as possible to provide us with these details.

Showcase
This Friday night is the night! It is the Showcase State Final. Keep your fingers crossed for our school. We will have our local State Member, Tim Mander, our staff and P&C representatives attending to cheer our school on. We are currently placed in the top three schools in the state and on Friday our school has a final presentation to win the top prize of $20,000.

Music Fest
On the weekend our students attended Music Fest at the Gap State High School. Our Adagio Strings (Year 4 students) competed and won a GOLD medal in their section. The String Ensemble also represented our school with great pride, distinction and success claiming a silver medal. This is a great reflection on the hard work of our instrumental teachers and students.

Late this term on 12 November we will have our 2014 Instrumental Music recruitment night. With over $30,000 of new musical instruments we are looking to expand the program. It does require a year-long commitment to practice and rehearsals from the students and parents. If you are interested in finding our more please contact the school.

Regards
Brad Clark
Principal

P&C NEWS

Next Meeting
The next P&C Meeting is on the 21st of October – the student free day. The meeting will be at the same time and same place – 7:30pm at the Library, hope to see you all there!

P&C Secretary Position
I am very sad to say that Gayle Sperling has decided to resign from her role as Secretary to the P&C. Gayle has done a fantastic job keeping the P&C running in both the Treasurer and the Secretary role and her presence on the P&C Executive will be sorely missed. On behalf of the P&C, I would like to thank Gayle for all the effort she has put into the P&C over the years.

The start of Monday’s P&C Meeting will be a Special Meeting to elect a new Secretary. If you are interested in taking on this role, please contact me on pandc@evertparkss.eq.edu.au.

2014 Fete
The time has come to start planning for 2014!!! Yes, I know it seems a long way off, but we need to start planning for the School Fete next year. The Family Fun Day this year was an incredible success and I know how much the students enjoyed the day. The success of these events relies solely on the efforts of the school community to organise it. We need you!!! At the meeting on Monday night we’ll be establishing a Fete Sub-Committee to organise the fete. We need as many people as possible to put their hands up to help. There will be plenty of help from those parents who have organised it before, but we really need some new faces otherwise we will not get a Fete running next year.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP??
You can help in so many different ways – with as little or as much time as you have to give. We’d love to see you at the meeting on Monday night when we establish the sub-committee, but if you’re not able to make it, please email pandc@evertparkss.eq.edu.au and we’ll be in touch.

Amy List
P&C President

CLASS NEWS

Prep R - This week we have been investigating Letter Writing. We started by writing a letter to our favourite Disneyland character and hope to hear a response before the end of the year. We also had a letter from a little boy called Sam and he has lost his dog, so we are helping him with ideas how he can find him. In Maths we are looking at number sequences. Student of the Week – Amy J Prep 1R - This week we took a dip in the pool and enjoyed a swimming lesson! Thank you to all of our parent helpers who supported us in and out of the pool. Without you our lessons would not be possible. It is lovely to meet with you for parent teacher interviews to celebrate the success of our students and reflect on their distance travelled throughout the year. As we come to the busy end of the year it is important to take time to celebrate the many wins that we have shared as a class. This week Year Ones use check lists to write procedures and Prep explore letter writing to characters in stories. Student of the Week is Chris E for demonstrating a commitment to achieving his learning goals in English and Maths.

2E & 2W – This week in Year 2 we are learning about counting patterns and multiplication. English is concentrating on inferring within comprehension. Science involves investigating the saving of water. An excursion letter and invoice has been sent home. This excursion is in November. This is a follow up activity from one of our English units. Students of the Week - 2W is Leilani and 2E is Cooper.

3K students creating their own ‘water bottle cooler’ for a science investigation, focussing on heat transfer.

4L & 4P – It was very exciting to have Nick Earls and Terry Whittlebourne to visit us on Tuesday and speak to us about the origins of words and names. We are also enjoying learning all about advertising. You might notice that we start to look very closely at the advertisements that we see on billboards, on TV and in magazines. Only 5 more weeks to go till Underwater World! Please remember to return all the forms if you haven’t already done so. Students of the Week: 4P – Tayla P and 4L – Abbey F.
4/51 - In English we will complete new units which are exploring recounts in the past in Year 4 and Examing media texts in Year 5. For Maths this week we will be looking at Operations, Mass and Fractions in Year 4 and Capacity, Mass, Fractions and Operations in Year 5. In History we will be completing the Assessment phase of our Units. Hope you all had a great holiday. Swimming starts next week. A reminder that our PE Lesson is now on Thursday afternoons from 1.50 - 2.50 Parents are needed in order for this lesson to go ahead.

Students of the Week: Brice W.

5T – The term begins with a focus on chance. Students will identify all possible outcomes of experiments and predict expected results for a number of trials. Comparison between these predictions and actual data from trials will then take place. Children will also investigate fair and biased games.

The next area of focus will be on data representation and interpretation. In these lessons students will design a survey based on a question posed to gather specific data. They will then conduct the survey by interviewing a target group, representing the responses in a recording template, presenting the results of the survey in a frequency table and analyse the results in a summary statement.

Our English focus this term is on developing a written comparison of a novel and the film version of that novel. Students will begin to explore critical analysis, high order comprehension skill. They will also again employ some persuasive elements to convince the reader to their point of view about which is the more satisfying narrative: the book or the film. The class will jointly explore comparisons with a short text and video before striking out on their own analysis. This is a very challenging but highly engaging task as everyone has opinions about what makes a great book or movie. The story is the much loved, "Storm Boy".

Student of the Week: Mitchell G and Mia L.

5/6M - What a great start we have made to the term. In 5/6 this week we have been developing an understanding of how persuasive devices are used across speeches and texts. We have been analysing some memorable speeches from history as well as viewing a number of video extracts. We have been developing an understanding of the term. In 5/6 this week we have been looking at persuasive devices to help us make effective arguments. Students will be assessed on their ability to persuade and motivate an audience.

Homework: Parents are needed in order for this lesson to go ahead. Also, each student has bought their own analysis. This is a very high order task which involves reading the book and the film, analysing both, and then comparing the two. They will also be evaluating the use of devices to persuade the audience.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Aho! Year 4/5 has lots to say about the author visit by Nick Earles and Terry Whidborne. Very interesting, entertaining, learned a lot about history, enjoyable, found out about where last names originated from, compelled to read the entire book, What next?


Overdue books – Please help your child look for these books, books have gone out this week. Also drop in if you have some spare time to cover books. An extremely wonderful staff member had donated some pre-loved, in good condition, books. Thank you, Ms. Marigold.

On Friday, 25 October our school will be supporting Day for Daniel. We are looking for adults to help us promote travelling actively to school while promoting child safety. If you are able to assist in walking with a group of students from a park and stride point on this morning (8.15am departure), please email Miss K at: akend5@eq.edu.au

Our school will be celebrating 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 the week too, they get another stamp in their passport! Double stamps for those weeks! Active School Travel is awesome!

Are you a student who has reached 24 stamps in your Active School Travel Passport? If so, your name will immediately go into a draw to possibly win the bike that was kindly donated by Mr Norm Wyndham!!!

*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 School 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.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

Recruiting for 2014

Information has been sent home to our year 2 and 4 students about our Instrumental Music program. However, if your child is entering year 5 or above and is not already learning a band instrument and they are interested in learning a band instrument in 2014 please contact Penny Hall. Testing for selection of students will be happening in the next few weeks.

Information Evening Instrumental Music Program - Tuesday 12th November

There will be an Information Evening about our Instrumental Music program held in our school Library on Tuesday, 12 November at 6.30 pm for parents/guardians. This evening is for parents/guardians who will have children in their first year of learning an instrument in 2014 in either the strings or the band program.

MusicFest

The Adagio Strings and the String Ensemble performed at the MusicFest which was held at The Gap SHS last Saturday. They all played very well with the Adagio Strings receiving a Gold award and the String Ensemble receiving a Silver award. A big thank you to Mrs Crop who accompanied us on the day. Congratulations to all.

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) - phall55@eq.edu.au

DAY FOR DANIEL

25 OCTOBER 2013

This year we will be participating in the Day for Daniel on 25th 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 as well. Don’t forget to join the Day for Daniel walk as part of the Active Travel initiatives on the day, details are in this week’s Newsletter. The Day for Daniel is the Daniel Morcombe 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 (4/5I Teacher)

CHEERLEADING

Cheerleading - The last few weeks of Cheerleading for 2013 are here, as we only have 2 weeks left. If you wish to be on any of the teams for next year, please make sure you attend all of the auditions. Only new students to the school will be accepted in 2014.

Pups (Preps - Yr 2) - Monday morning and Monday 2nd break (Weeks 2 and 4) - due to the public holiday and pupil free day.

Reserves (Yr3 - Yr 6) - Tuesday mornings 7.45-8.30am

Squad - Monday and Thursday afternoons (please refer to your latest note for times).

All children wishing to try out should have collected a note detailing audition times from Miss R on Tuesday. If you did not get this, please come and see me. There will be NO cheerleading after Week 4. Team lists will be displayed around the school at the end of the year.

INTERSCCHOOL SPORT RESULTS

Girls Touch Football
Year 7
Everton Park won
EPSS (1) v Eatons Hill B (0)
Everton Park loss
EPSS (0) v Craigslea (2)

Year 6
Everton Park draw with McDowall A
Everton Park won
EPSS (4) v McDowall A (1)

Boys Touch Football
Year 5
Game 1 v Craigslea - won
Game 2 v Albany Hills – lost

Year 7
Game 1 v Eaton’s Hill – won
Game 2 v Craigslea – won

Cricket

Everton Park defeated Craigslea Bronze 60 – 41 on count-back.

LEARN TO SWIM CLASSES ON NOW

Learn to swim classes suitable for preschool children and over are held at the school pool every Saturday during Term 4. Contact the lessons coordinator on 0450 064 415, visit www.epssasc.org.au, or drop in to see the coaches at the pool this Saturday at 10:40am.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

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

OCTOBER ROSTER

THURSDAY 17

Misato Betts

FRIDAY 18
Janene Ashton, Carol McLean, Penny Valentine

MONDAY 21
Pupil Free Day – Tuckshop closed

THURSDAY 24
Karlene Amos

FRIDAY 25
Kim Grogan, Melissa Hulbert, Jeanette Jenkinson

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.

NEW!

Krazy Lemon - homestyle lemonade $2.00.
Trop-0-Saurus Slime Paddle Pop $1.90.
Lemonade Icy Twists $1.00

Have a great week 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 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Everton Park State High School will be open to visitors on Tuesday, 29 October from 3:30 – 5:30pm. There will be an address and presentation by the Principal and information on the Junior Secondary and Senior school, plus a tour of the school.

Mitchelton State High School is offering an Information Session on Scholarship Programs to be held on Wednesday, 16 October from 4:30 – 5:00pm in the Mitchelton High School Library. Please RSVP to the Principal, Mr John Searle, on jsear13@eq.edu.au