Dear Parents and Carers

Book Week Celebrations

Everton Park students enjoyed a wonderful selection of activities over the last two weeks. The Readers Theatre was a great hit with our Prep-Year 2 students. I was extremely proud of the courage and enthusiasm displayed by our youngest learners as it can be quite a daunting experience to present in front of a large crowd, but our students rose to the challenge!

Our Year 3 – 7 student group enjoyed a session with author Oliver Phommavanh. He did a wonderful job of workshopping with our students the creative process of constructing a narrative. The feedback from our student group has been very positive.

The culmination of these celebrations was our annual Book Week Parade. It was wonderful to see our students participating in this event so eagerly and I was very impressed with how creative many of our students were with crafting their costumes out of items from home. The display of costumes from our teachers was also fantastic to see as we all celebrated our love of reading.

Thank you to our parent group for supporting the students in preparation for the Book Week Parade. Thanks also to Mrs Lukey and Mrs Cambell for their work around organising all of the Book Week celebrations. We hope these experiences have stirred some interest in our students around reading and they are continuing to read, read, and read

Anita Bond
Principal
**SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY NEWS**

The new Chappy room rocks! A big thank you to all the young ladies and gentlemen that are coming in and using the Chappy room. I am so impressed with their manners and also their helpfulness at pack up time.

It is so important to be able to make friends - to smile at someone and ask them to join in. And it's also important to know how to keep friends – to say nice things to your friends, listen to your friends when they talk, think about how they feel and encourage them. I see so much of this at break in the Chappy room. I am so proud of the students at Everton Park State School.

We have 3 students who have completed their scarfs now and about 6 more underway. Any donations of really thick wool would be greatly appreciated.

Remember, I have posters up on the wall explaining what a Chappy does, how I can help and about confidentiality. Please feel free to drop by and say hello. Chappy Nikki

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**P&C NEWS**

How great was the Book Week parade on Friday morning? The costumes all looked fantastic and it was wonderful to see so many parents there supporting the event.

Spring has certainly sprung and with the start of spring comes Father's Day. The Father's Day stall will be held on Thursday, 4 September. Come and purchase a gift for Dad from our stall in the hall. Prices range from $3 to $7.

The Father's Day Breakfast BBQ will be held on Friday, 5 September from 8 – 9am. Make sure Dad has a great start to the day with a tummy full of bacon & eggs. Just follow your nose to outside Tuckshop. We made a big start at first break in the Chappy area (under the Year 3 classrooms).

We need photos of the Fete for a little waiting this Friday as well. More details coming soon!

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**FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST**

**Friday 5 September**

With Father’s Day rapidly approaching, we will be saying ‘thank you’ to dads by holding a BBQ Breakfast on Friday, 5 September from 8 – 9am. This will be on Thursday, 4 September and we would appreciate 2 – 3 people to run this. The stock has been purchased so all you would need to do is sell! If you want to help by frying up some bacon & eggs, or displaying your superior sales skills please contact Kim Pickering on 0418 314 214 or email the P&C on pandc@everparkss.eq.edu.au

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

Friday, 31 October is the date for our next LCC Family Movie Night (not Sept 12 as previously advertised).

Bring the whole family along for an easy dinner and movie. $5 entry for kids, adults are free. More details coming soon!

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**FASHION PARADE FUNDRAISER**

Thank you to all of the mums who supported the EPSS Fashion Parade Fundraiser! A fabulous time was had by all and, more importantly, we raised over $1300 for our school community! Thank you for your support.

Jo Hennessey and the P & C

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**THE ART CLUB**

Thanks for supporting The Art Club. Last week we started bringing some colour into our space by decorating the art area gate. We made a great start - lots more to do on that so come and help out! We'll have 1 or 2 other surprise activities waiting this Friday as well. Art Club meets every Friday at first break in the art area (under the Year 3 classrooms). All parents are welcome too!

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**SKATE NIGHT**

Skate Night is on Wednesday, 10 September, 2014 from 6.30-8.30 at Albany Creek Skateaway. Just a reminder that only current students of Everton Park State School are allowed to attend Skate Night. Previous students will not be allowed under any circumstances. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Tracey Irwin

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**ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL**

Congratulations to 4SP for winning the Gold Star award for the previous week’s Fun, Fit, Friday. 4PS had a total of 10 students carpool to school! Well done.

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**SPELTHON**

All Spell-a-thon money to be returned to the school by Wednesday, 17 September.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

Book Fair

Thank you to the school community for supporting the Book Fair this year. It looks like we will have around $1000 to spend on more books for the library. It was wonderful to see the students so excited just to be looking at all the different books. While many students were not able to buy their favourite books it is important for them to know that they
will be able to borrow them from our library in the future. A special thanks to Marg and Andrea for running the book fair while I was on leave.

Ms Lukey

SHOE BOXES NEEDED
The Year 5’s are still requiring some normal sized shoe boxes with lids. Please could you bring them to the Year 4/5 classroom. Thank you.

Tracey Irwin

GARDEN CLUB
Many thanks to Mr Col Heathwood, one of our fantastic groundsmen, who really helped out the Garden Club by collecting a large order of goods we purchased. Thanks to our P&C we could buy a compost tumbler, organic fertilizer and mulch, adult and children’s gardening tools and other really useful things for all of us in the Garden Club. We really appreciate the terrific job Mr Heathwood did in buying and delivering all the goodies!

Bernadette Crook

FOUND
A number of dress-up items were handed in to the office last Friday after Book Week Parade. Please enquire at the office.

LOST
A book titled “The Adventures of Captain Underpants 4” was taken from the top of a student’s bag on Tuesday morning. Please could you check to see if your child has this book in error and return it to the office. Thank you.

Bernadette Crook

MUSIC NEWS
The Elements will perform two songs on parade on Friday 13 September. Hope we’re not superstitious!

Junior Choir
Don’t be late for rehearsals - they always start at 8.00 am. See you there!

Bernadette Crook

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS
For any further information please don’t hesitate to contact Mrs Penny Hall (Wednesdays) at phall35@eq.edu.au
For any further information regarding the strings program please don’t hesitate to contact Ms Anne Keenan (Thursdays) at akeen5@eq.edu.au

TUCKSHOP

SEPTEMBER ROSTER
Thursday 4 – June Lever
Friday 5 – Karla Chaffey, Greg Scott, Vicky Wilson
Monday 8 –
Thursday 11 – Anita Reynolds
Friday 12 – Genevieve Moller, Misato Betts, Nikki Clur

Order online at flexischools.com.au

Winter Menu items for first break
- Delicious homemade soup – Thai Pumpkin or Creamy Chicken and Vegetable plus a serve of garlic bread $5.00
- Single serve garlic bread $1.00
- Warm milo $1.50
- Pizza slices $3.00. Two delicious flavours – BBQ Chicken and Hawaiian (Ham & Pineapple).

NEW TO THE TUCKSHOP!
Tuckshop is going bananas! New Devondale Smoothies are now being sold in two yummy flavours – Banana & Honey and Strawberry & Banana. Introductory price $1.20. These new drinks have been rated a Green product which means they are full of goodness. Try one today!

NEW! Slush Puppie Natural Flavour range. The old flavours are being phased out and two new natural flavours have been introduced this week – Strawberry/Vanilla and Tropical. Hope you like them!

Special Treat! Paddle Pop Dragon Popper $1.70

Katrina Coomber
Tuckshop Convenor