Dear Parents and Carers,

Prep Orientation
Last week we welcomed our 2015 prep students into Everton Park State School. Our responsible Year 6 and 7 students did a marvellous job of looking after these students for the first part of their Orientation Session, helping the students to feel at ease. There were a number of experiences for our Prep students to enjoy and the feedback from parents, teachers and students was that it was a very positive experience.

Good Luck Mrs Craven
This week will be Mrs Craven’s last week at Everton Park State School as she takes up a new promotional position in the region as a Transition Officer in the Early Years sector. Mrs Craven has been a valued member of this school community for 11 years and her enthusiasm, professionalism and dedication will be very much missed. The care that Mrs Craven demonstrates towards her students and their learning is one of the many things that parents, staff and students value about her. On behalf of the Everton Park State School community, I would like to wish her the very best in her future endeavours.

Public transport disruption during G20
Travel into and across the city will not be as easy as usual over the G20 long weekend from Friday 14 to Sunday 16 November and in the lead up to the event.

- The South Brisbane train station will be closed from Monday 10 November to Sunday 16 November. Students can use South Bank station as an alternative.
- There will be major bus disruptions from 7pm Thursday 13 November to Sunday 16 November, including the closure of busway stations between Royal CH Herston and Woolloongabba stations and many CBD bus stops. If your child commutes to and from the city and surrounding suburbs by bus, he/she should aim to leave the city before 6pm Thursday 13 November to avoid disruptions.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Translink is working to ensure Brisbane’s traffic and public transport network will be operational for the morning peak on Monday 17 November; however, disruptions should be expected as services return to normal after the summit. Buses will operate as normal following their regular routes, however delays and congestion in and around the city should be expected. Students should allow extra time for their journey.

Visit translink.com.au for further details of the public transport changes or visit www.g20.org/community_information/brisbanelocals/trafficandtransport for more general information on traffic, parking and road closures.

School social media – facebook and Twitter

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Anita Bond
Principal

P&C NEWS

The final P & C Meeting for 2014 will be held in the library at 7:30pm on Monday, 17 November. Even if you haven’t come along to a meeting all year, come to this one! We’ll be making plans for next year and celebrating all the great achievements for 2014. It’s our chance to thank all of the parents who have done so much to make this school as great as it is. We will be serving coffee & cake and we would love to see you there.

Tanya Milgate
P & C President

SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Thank you so much to all the families and children that attended our Movie Night. The movie was entertaining and the treats that parents supplied were delightful. Thank you very much to the Dads (Sausage Man, Coffee Man and Super Man – who unlocked our movie) for all their help.

There were 3 winners of the colouring in competition: Sheridan from 4/5I received a $5 tuckshop voucher, Lindsey from Prep B and Ellie from 2M received $2 each to spend at the Tuckshop.

Weading and learning to draw have been popular and the dress-up box is proving popular, especially the Hawaiian skirts, leis and variety of hats.

We have also been colouring in poppies commemorating Remembrance Day.

Congratulations to Archie Hulbert for taking out first prize in the Year 4/5 section in the Remembrance Day Writing competition supported by the Gaythorne RSL Sub-Branch. This year students were asked to write about Australian nurses serving overseas during World War 1. Archie won $300 and another $300 was given to the school library. Absolutely fantastic! We are so lucky to have such a supportive community and organisations like the RSL who encourage our students, and keep alive our history and traditions. At the end of the ceremony all students’ names were put into a lucky draw and Chloe Henke has been awarded $40. Well done to all the students who entered this competition. You are all winners!

Please look out for Book Club this week. This is the last one and so a great time to set aside some books for Christmas presents.

ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL

We won the ’2014 AST School of Excellence Award! Congratulations and thank you to all the staff, parents/carers, grandparents, students, the AST committee and AST student crew, for making this dream come true!!! WE DID IT! WE’RE SO EXCELLENT AT ACTIVELY TRAVELLING TO SCHOOL!

SKATE NIGHT

Wednesday, 12 November

We held our final Skate Night fundraiser at Albany Creek SkateAway last night. It was a great success and I would like to thank all our students and parents who supported the event.

Tracey Irwin
Congratulations to 5T for winning the Gold Star award for the previous week’s Fun Fit Friday. 5T had a mind-blowing 100% of students in their class actively travel to school.

The Brisbane City Council has kindly offered our Year 5 students an opportunity to participate in a Bike Skills Course. The forms were distributed last Tuesday and are due Friday, 28 November. Students wanting to participate must return a signed parent/carer consent form (to the AST box in the office) and provide their own bicycle and helmet for the duration of the course. This offer may be extended to Year 4, depending on the number of Year 5’s who have returned their permission forms.

How many stamps do you have in your AST passport? This is an important question. Why? The AST committee have a scooter and bicycle up for grabs! We will be running two raffles and drawing them at the upcoming school Christmas Carols night! Preps to Year 3’s have the chance to win a scooter and Years 4 – 7’s have the chance to win a bicycle. To be in the draw Preps and new students to EPSS (2014) must have 30 stamps in their AST passports and Years 1-3 must have 50 stamps in their AST passports before the special passport collection date – Friday, 28 November.

The active travel focus for November will be on ‘Public Transport’. Catch a bus or another mode of public transport to gain DOUBLE STAMPS in your AST passports.

The AST shop (room 22) will be open (at first break after eating time) this Friday for students to claim their AST prizes.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS**

The Senior Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 25 November. The events on offer are 100m medley, 25m and 50m Freestyle, 25m and 50m Backstroke, 25m and 50m Breaststroke and 25m Butterfly. Students wishing to compete in the 50m events and the 100m medley will need to qualify in order to participate in those events. All students are able to nominate for the 25m events. Students will be able to try to qualify for the 50m events and the 100m medley during PE lessons. The 100m medley will be run before school commencing at 8:00am with the rest of the events commencing at 9:00am. The day will run as follows: 100m medley, Butterfly, Breaststroke, Backstroke, Freestyle, Relays and finishing with the golf ball challenge. 9 Year olds in Year 3 will be able to participate in the swimming carnival if they qualify for a 50m event.

Parent volunteers are invited to assist with time keeping so if you are able to help could you please see Mr Crawford.

**FRIDAY INTERSCHOOL SPORT RESULTS**

**VOLLEYBALL**

**Seniors**


EPSS Gold v Northside Christian College – lost 26 – 32.


**Juniors**

EPSS Green v Prince of Peace Red – lost 23 – 34.


EPSS Gold v Eaton’s Hill Teal – lost 21 – 32.


**CRICKET**

EPSS Green v Eaton’s Hill Teal – won 26 – 24.

EPSS Green v EPSS White – lost 8 – 12.


EPSS Gold v Prince of Peace Corn – lost 28 – 33.


**SENIOR GIRLS TOUCH**

**Year 7 Girls**

EP vs Albany Hills – lost 0-3

EP vs Prince of Peace – lost 0-1

**Year 6 Girls**

EP vsEatons Hill B – lost 1-2

EP vs Albany Hills – won 2-0

**SENIOR BOYS TOUCH**

**Year 7 Boys**

EPSS v Eaton’s Hill B – lost 0 – 3.

EPSS v Craigielea – lost 2 – 5.

**Year 6 Boys**

EPSS v McDowall – won 5 – 3.

EPSS v Eaton’s Hill B – lost 3 – 5.

**YEAR 5 TOUCH**

**Year 5 Boys**

EPSS v Prince of Peace – won 2-0.

EPSS v Northside Christian College – won 4 – 2.

**Year 5 Girls**

EPSS v EPSS – lost 2 – 3.

EPSS v Northside Christian college B – won 4 – 1.

**GARDEN CLUB NEWS**

We’ve almost reached our last gardening session for 2014. We will celebrate our year in the garden with a breakfast break-up on Wednesday 19 November at 8.00 am in the Oval Garden. Please bring a small plate of food to share! Mrs Bernadette Crook

LOST PROPERTY

If your child is missing an item of clothing, swimming togs, goggles, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc could you or your child please come and look through the mound of lost property which has collected outside the Tuckshop.

**MUSIC NEWS**

**ELEMENTS and JUNIOR CHOIR** will both be performing at our end of year Music Concert on Thursday, 20 November. Remember that music shirts are still available. The cost of hiring is $10.00, payable at the office. Students can then collect a shirt from Mrs Crook in the Music Room. Please check all the concert details in Mrs Hall’s news item below.

**JUNIOR CHOIR** will also be performing at Wheeler Gardens Nursing Home in Chermside, on Monday, 1 December at 1.30pm. Letters have gone home this week. We will be using private transport to and from the venue, so if you are able to assist, please return the permission slip as quickly as possible.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PARENT INFORMATION EVENING – THURSDAY, 13 NOVEMBER**

There will be an information evening for all new parents/guardians who are interested in their child being part of the Instrumental Music Program (strings, woodwind, brass and percussion) for 2015. The meeting starts at 6.30pm in our school library. Parents/Guardians who have indicated to Anne and Penny that they are unable to attend will be contacted about the program.

**END OF YEAR CONCERT – THURSDAY, 20 NOVEMBER**

Our final end of year concert for all strings, band, choir and the elements groups will be on Thursday, 20 November at our school hall commencing at 6.00pm until approximately 7.15pm. There will be a coffee van available to purchase drinks from 5.15 pm until 6.00 pm. All String students need to meet Anne Keenan at 5.00pm and all Band and Choir students need to meet Bernadette Crook and Penny Hall at 5.30pm. Letters have been sent home to students. Please send in your child’s permission slips back to the office as soon as possible.

All welcome and we look forward to a wonderful night!

For all string queries please contact Anne Keenan at akeenan@eq.edu.au (THURSDAYS at Everton Park State School)

For all band queries please contact Penny Hall at phall35@eq.edu.au (WEDNESDAYS at Everton Park State School)

For all classroom queries and choir queries please contact Bernadette Crook at bcroo4@eq.edu.au (Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Everton Park State School)
UNIFORM SHOP
The Uniform Shop is open each Friday morning from 8:30am – 9:30am.

EXTRA OPENING HOURS
In preparation for 2015 we will be open from 9 December – 11 December 2014 and 27 January – 30 January 2015 between the hours of 8:30 – 10:30am

NOVEMBER ROSTER
Friday 14 – G20 Holiday
Thursday 20 – Jenny Sewell, Megan Limpus
Friday 21 – Penny Valentine, Misato Betts, Janene AShton

Order online at flexischools.com.au

MENU CHANGES
- Vanilla Ice Up ‘n’ Go are back - $2.00
- Lemonade Icy Twists have returned for summer - $1.00
- Slush Puppie Natural Flavour range. New natural flavours have been introduced – Sour Apple, Forest Fruits and CocoaBanana - $2.00
- Thai pumpkin or creamy chicken & vegetable soup - $4.00

Senior and Junior Swimming Carnivals - The Tuckshop will be open for first break treats only.

Last day of Tuckshop for 2014 will be Friday, 5 December.

Katrina Coomber
Tuckshop Convenor

ATTENTION !!! STUDENT ABSENCE NOTIFICATION
To leave notification of student absences please call our hot line on 3550 2277 at any time, day or night. Absences can also be emailed to: absences@everparkss.eq.edu.au

COMMUNITY NEWS
Please check the glass noticeboard on the front verandah for the latest activities/events in the neighbourhood.

YOGA has been cancelled for today, Thursday, 13 November. Classes will resume on Thursday, 20 November.