

NORRIS ROAD NEWS FOR FAMILIES



Our vision is to help children grow into kind, responsible and courageous individuals who care for others, never give up, and always try their best to include and respect everyone and the environment.

Calendar of Events

Term 1 Week 8

NAPLAN continues

Monday 16 March	
Tuesday 17 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Choir 1st break • First Nations Students – Deadly Choices
Wednesday 18 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Choir 2nd break • Senior assembly 1.45pm
Thursday 19 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Friday 20 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harmony Day Assembly
Term 1 Week 9	
Monday 23 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Independent Learner Assembly
Tuesday 24 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Choir 1st break • First Nations Students – Deadly Choices • Junior assembly - 1.45pm in the hall
Wednesday 25 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Choir 2nd break • Senior Independent Learner Rewards Afternoon
Thursday 26 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Independent Learner Assembly
Friday 27 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior Independent Learner Rewards Afternoon

Date Claimers:

Term 1

- 30 March to 2 April – Parent / Carer / Teacher / Student Meetings
- 31 March - Senior Cross Country – Year 3-6
- 1 April Bunny Meal Deals (The Windmill Café)
- 2 April - P-2 Easter Hat Parade

Term 2

- Monday 27 April - School Photos Term 2 Week 2

From the Principal:

Term 1 Week 10 - Parent /Carer/Teacher/Student Meetings:

Parent/Carer/Teacher/Student Meetings have been scheduled for **Term 1 Week 10, Monday 30 March – Thursday 2 April** according to teacher availability. Most staff will be available **Wednesday afternoon 1 April**. On this day, from 2.40pm until 6:00pm class teachers will be available for discussion face to face in the hall.

Students are encouraged to be present at the meeting with teachers and parents/carers as they will have a role to play in discussions relating to their learning and achievements, and particularly their goals. The opportunity will empower our students to assume increasing responsibility for their learning.

Meetings will be 10 minutes duration with time to change over between appointments and will be conducted in student's classroom at all other times throughout the week.

To co-ordinate the meetings we have employed an online booking system to assist parents in securing their preferred times.

- The booking system will be accessible for parents from 6:00am, Wednesday 18 March through to 3:00pm Friday 27 March. The system will not accept bookings outside of these times.

Book here on SOBS-School Online Booking System - <https://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=70149>

Collaborative Cohort Planning:

As part of our two school priorities- **Reading Success For All** and **Evidence Powering Instruction**. Much of this work is supported through our Collaborative Cohort Planning process, where teachers meet regularly to analyse data, plan instruction, and strengthen consistent teaching practices. Every fortnight, year level teams meet with the Head of Department—Curriculum and our Intervention Teachers to analyse student learning and plan high quality instruction.

At the beginning of each term, teams establish shared norms, reflect on how data is used, and deepen their understanding of strong Tier 1 (whole class) teaching practices. Teachers, school leaders, and intervention staff work together to review our Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) and Level of Achievement (A-E) data to identify key reading and English skills and determine the best starting points for instruction.

Throughout the term, teachers use short formative tasks to check student progress. They co-develop lesson routines and scripts that respond directly to what students need, adjusting their teaching based on ongoing results. Toward the end of the term, the collected progress data is used to shape the Tier 1 instructional focus for the following term.

This structured and collaborative approach builds teacher capability, promotes consistency across classrooms, and supports improved learning outcomes for every student.

Reading Intervention at Norris Road State School:

At Norris Road State School, we run a targeted Tier 2 Intervention Program to support students who need extra help with early reading skills. Students are identified using DIBELS assessment data, teacher judgement, and regular progress checks. Groups are kept small—usually no more than four students—to ensure focused support Intervention sessions occur three times per week, with:

- **Years 1–2:** 20-minute sessions
- **Years 3–6:** 10–15-minute sessions

Inclusion Teachers work with students who are **'At Risk'**, while Teacher Aides support those identified as **'Some Risk'**. Every two weeks, student progress is reviewed so we can adjust teaching as needed.

Classroom Teachers, Inclusion staff, and our Leadership Team work closely together to make sure intervention aligns with classroom learning and that students don't miss essential teaching.

Harmony Day Celebrations:

We warmly invite you to join us for our Harmony Day celebrations on Friday 20 March. This special day is an opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate the rich cultural diversity that makes our school so vibrant and unique.

Our Harmony Day Assembly will begin at 9:00am in the school hall. The event will include:

- Guest speakers sharing messages of inclusion and belonging.
- Student performances showcasing cultural pride and creativity including our Kapa Hake, Ghidda Girls and Fairuz dance groups.
- Performance by the Sandgate District State High School Pasifika group.

Students are encouraged to wear their national dress or the colour orange in recognition of Harmony Day. We kindly ask for a gold coin donation, with all proceeds supporting Multicultural Australia.

We look forward to celebrating this meaningful day with you and your family as we embrace the theme of *Everyone Belongs*.

Back to School Boost Option Form – Reminder:

We are currently finalising our Back-to-School Boost option. **As of today, we still have 110 out of 587 students who still do not have an option/s selected.** If you have not yet completed the Back-to-School Boost Option Form, please do so as soon as possible. The option form has been sent directly to you via QParents, the email reminder could be in your junk folder.

Why QParents is important - QParents is the main platform we are using to send important consent and permission forms. Families who are not registered may miss important consent forms, including the Back-to-School Boost option/s.

If you are not yet connected to QParents, we strongly encourage you to sign up as soon as possible.

What you need to do: -

- Log in to QParents and complete the Back-to-School Boost Option Form
- If you are not yet registered, please begin the registration process today. <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/landing>
- If you are having difficulty accessing QParents, please contact the school office for assistance
- Your prompt attention ensures we can correctly prepare resources and support your child

Thank you for your cooperation and ongoing support.

Parent and Carer - Requests for Meetings and Information:

We value the strong partnerships we have with our families, and we know how important it is to talk with your child's teacher about their learning. To help us support you—and to ensure teachers can manage their time effectively, please keep the following in mind when requesting meetings or updates:

Our teachers will...	Our teachers cannot...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrange to meet with you if you have several queries about your child's learning - Provide opportunities during our Parent -Teacher Interview periods - Contact you in the event of incident or concern (or the Deputy Principal) - Facilitate a learning environment that is safe and supportive for your child 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Accommodate frequent or regular updates at the door in the afternoons or mornings. - Attend to your questions while supporting students to enter the class in the morning, or while teaching. - Send you frequent updates via email.

Frequently Asked Questions**Q. We used to receive lots of updates from kindy/daycare. Why not in Prep?**

A. Queensland state schools have different curriculum requirements, which means teachers are unable to provide updates as often as early childhood services can.

Q. My child never tells me anything about their day!

A. Many children give short answers like "good" or "okay." You might find more success with questions such as:

- *What went well today?*
- *What was something you found hard today?*
- *What was something you were proud of or successful with today?*

Q. I think my child was involved in a serious playground incident and I want more details. Why can't I ask for that?

A. You absolutely can ask. Start by speaking with your child's teacher—they may direct you to the Deputy Principal if needed. We always aim to inform parents about serious incidents involving their child. If we haven't contacted you, it may be because the incident wasn't reported to staff. Please reach out so we can follow up and provide the information you need.

Our school has a Parent Communication Framework that helps parents to understand the purpose and function of school communication, as well as helping you to identify the most helpful person to contact if you have a concern or question. You can find the Parent Communication Framework [here](#).

The Department of Education also has a resource to help Parents to know how to best communicate with their child's school: <https://education.qld.gov.au/parents/Documents/communicating-with-your-childs-school.pdf>



NORRIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL

HARMONY DAY

Everyone belongs!

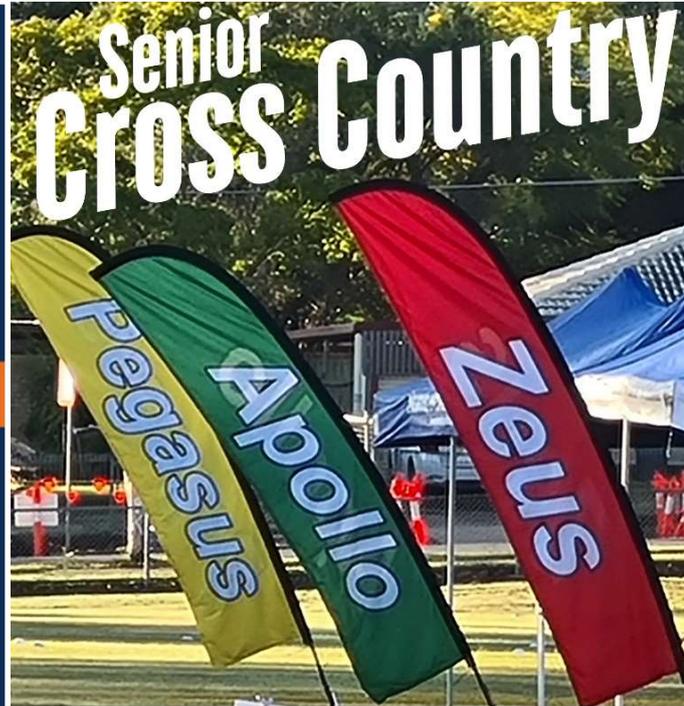
Friday 20 March

Harmony Day Special Whole School Assembly starting at 9.00am

Special performances from NRSS Junior & Senior Choir, NRSS Kapa Haka group, NRSS Ghidha group, NRSS Fairuz group, SDSHS Year 12 Pasifika group and a guest speaker

Free Dress Day

Please wear traditional clothing or the colour orange
Gold coin donation your donation will go to MDA Multicultural Australia (sun safe clothing only including enclosed shoes)



Tuesday 31 March

Year 3-6

8.30am - 10.30am



The Windmill Café

Bunny Meal Deals

Wednesday 1st April

ORDERS CLOSE: 8:30am, MONDAY 30th MARCH

Choice of Hot Food for 1st Break:

- * Chicken Nuggets (GF)
- * Chicken Fingers
- * Hot Dog
- * Sausage Roll

Served with sauce, water and a choice of brownie or muffin.

Choice of Dessert for 2nd Break:

- * Chocolate/Vanilla Mousse (GF)
- * Strawberry/Vanilla Mousse (GF)

No other menu items available for 1st break
All regular menu items available for 2nd break

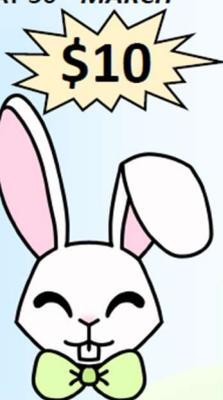
Individual Mousse Available for \$4.00

Order via the Qkr! App

Orders close, 8:30am, Monday 30th March

If ordering at the Café, EFT is available.

If you have any queries, or any dietary needs to consider, please do not hesitate to contact the Café 3261 0728 to discuss.



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NORRIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL

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2026

50% OF BOOK SALE PROCEEDS FROM FEBRUARY TO MAY DONATED TO NORRIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL

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NORRIS ROAD STATE SCHOOL

Easter Hat Parade

Prep - Year 1 - Year 2

2 April 2026

PREP, 1TM & 1CK - 8:45am - 9:15am
1LG, 1/2SM & Yr 2 - 9:20am - 9:50am




PHOTO DAY IS COMING ...

Term 2
Monday 27th April

MSP Photography will be visiting our school soon!

- Each student will receive an Ordering Envelope with their unique Shoot Key and instructions for ordering school photos.
- Order online at www.msp.com.au or by placing cash inside the envelope. Please enclose the correct amount as no change will be given.
- Orders close shortly after Photo Day, please order early to avoid additional fees.
- Sibling photo envelopes are available at the school office on request.

**Questions?
Contact MSP directly!**

3865 4291
admin.brisbane@msp.com.au

LIFE IS EASIER WITH MSP

EASTER RAFFLE!

Organized by NRSS P&C with donations from school families and external sponsors.

\$2

A TICKET WITH 16 PRIZES TO BE WON!



MOVIES \$50 EVENT

\$175 Ice Cream Maker with an Assortment of Toppings!

\$180 Pokemon TCG products

\$100 Gift Card

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MEGA

BRACKEN RIDGE Cage Batting

REVOLUTION SPORTS PARK NORTHLAKES

INFLATABLE WORLD

CORE MOTION STUDIOS

EASTER RAFFLE!

Organized by NRSS P&C with donations from school families and external sponsors.

Tickets are priced at \$2 each

Package options available

- 3 tickets for \$5
- 7 tickets for \$10
- 15 tickets for \$20
- 40 tickets for \$50

Purchase via Qkr! app or rafflelink! Link above



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CORE MOTION STUDIOS

Easter Baskets with Chocolate Eggs, Gift Vouchers & Crafts!

From YMCA OSHC Norris Road
Vacation Care Program Guide Week 1 and Week 2

YMCA OSHC NORRIS ROAD

Vacation Care Program Guide

Week 1

Opening Hours
6:30 am - 6:00 pm, Monday – Friday
7th April - 17th April 2026
Drop off and pick up times are flexible.

MON 6 APR	TUE 7 APR	WED 8 APR	THU 9 APR	FRI 10 APR
Public Holiday Easter Monday	Superhero Day Service Day	Easter Painting Incursion	Sports Day Service Day	Generosity Geniuses Service Day
Service Closed	Get ready to unleash your inner hero (or villain!) on Superhero Day! Come dressed up in your favourite superhero or villain costumes and jump into an action-packed day of creativity and fun. We'll design awesome superhero gadgets, create bold shields and epic masks, enjoy colourful face painting, and so much more. It's a day full of imagination, teamwork, and heroic excitement you won't want to miss!	Get ready for a colourful and creative Easter celebration! We're excited to have a special Easter painting incursion where students can create their own festive masterpieces. The fun continues with Easter origami, egg basket making, a thrilling Easter egg hunt, 3D Easter egg crafts, and so much more. It's a joyful day full of creativity, laughter, and Easter surprises!	Ready, set, go! Come join the fun with optional sports carnival dress-up and jump into an action-packed day on the oval. We'll create our own paper plate frisbees before playing an exciting game of ultimate frisbee, race in egg & spoon and relay challenges, and get creative with golf ball painting. It's a high-energy day full of teamwork, friendly competition, and loads of sporty fun!	Shine bright on our special Bright Dress Day as we celebrate kindness and giving! We will create fun kindness chatterboxes, design colourful friendship bracelets, make thoughtful cards, and craft beautiful suncatchers to spread joy. It's a heart-warming day filled with creativity, positivity, and small acts that make a big difference!
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BOOK NOW!

They'll want to come again tomorrow!

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** Based on 90% CCS eligibility.*

YMCA OSHC NORRIS ROAD

Vacation Care Program Guide

Week 2

Opening Hours
6:30 am - 6:00 pm, Monday – Friday
7th April - 17th April 2026
Drop off and pick up times are flexible.

MON 13 APR	TUE 14 APR	WED 15 APR	THU 16 APR	FRI 17 APR
World Record Races Service Day	Laser Tag Excursion	Musical Minds Service Day	Succulent Day Incursion	Nostalgia Day Service Day
Get ready to break records and take on exciting challenges all day long! We will compete in awesome LEGO challenges, test their skills in Chubby Bunny, build the tallest marshmallow towers, and show off their creativity in the best hat-making challenge. With awards being made and handed out throughout the day, everyone has a chance to shine. It's a fun-filled celebration of creativity, teamwork, and record-breaking excitement!	Get ready for an action-packed adventure as we head out for Laser Tag Day! We will battle it out in exciting laser tag games. The fun continues with a movie afternoon, creative playdough time and awesome splat neon painting. It's the perfect mix of high-energy action and colourful creativity!	Turn up the volume for a day full of rhythm and creativity! We will make their own maracas and paper plate guitars, explore colourful string painting, and take the stage for a fun-filled talent show and karaoke. We'll finish off with an epic rock 'n' roll party to celebrate our musical masterpieces. It's a day to sing loud, shine bright, and let the music move you!	Get ready to roll up your sleeves and get growing! We are excited to see what our succulent workshop brings. We will also revamp the YMCA garden and decorate pot plants. The creativity continues with a sweet flower icing activity on a biscuit and a fun cactus craft to take home. It's a hands-on day full of nature, creativity, and blooming fun!	Take a trip back in time for a day full of throwback fun! Join in with an optional old-school or your favourite trend dress-up and dive into classic activities like Hama beads, loom bands, Guess the Emoji, and a retro song dance party. We'll get creative with meme making, put together time capsules, and play "Guess the Year" with iconic toys and trends. It's a blast from the past packed with laughs, memories, and vintage vibes!
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BRACKEN RIDGE State High School

OPEN EVENING AND TWILIGHT TOURS



Prospective families are invited to attend our Open Evening showcasing Bracken Ridge State High School. Meet our community of students and staff, explore our learning spaces, and learn about our specialist and co-curricular programs.

WEDNESDAY, 13 MAY 2026

FROM 4PM



4.00pm Registration & Sign-in opens
Welcome (with sausage sizzle)

4:45pm Official Opening
5:00pm Tours Begin

[Register Now](#)

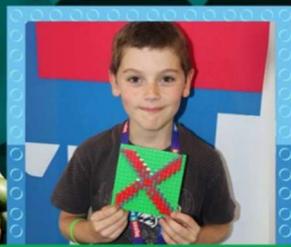
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BRACKEN RIDGE SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

TEENAGE BRICK TURTLES



REGISTER NOW



15 APRIL, 9AM-4PM
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If you require any more information or clarification, please phone the office on 3261 0777
or email admin@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au Thank you!

Please note: Notices and/or events in this calendar may have to be altered or changed. If this occurs, wherever possible, notice will be given.