

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 2 Week 2

Monday 27 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Photo Day – see more information below
Tuesday 28 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Junior Choir 1st break• Interschool Sport payment due
Wednesday 29 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Choir – 1st break in the Music Room
Thursday 30 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Friday 1 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interschool Sports and at school activities start today

Term 2 Week 3

Monday 4 May	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 5 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Junior Choir 1st break
Wednesday 6 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Choir – 1st break in the Music Room• Senior Assembly 1.45pm in the hall• 2027 Prep Information Evening starting at 5.00pm in the Library
Thursday 7 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• P&C Mother's Day Stall
Friday 8 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interschool Sports and at school activities

Date Claimers:

- P-2 Cross Country - Week 4 Wednesday 13 May
- Year 4 Australia Zoo Excursion, Wednesday 20/05/26 – estimated cost \$47-\$50. Information & consent form, via QParents
- Year 3 StarLab Incursion, Friday 29/05/26 – estimated cost \$13. Information & consent form, via email
- Under 8s Day – Week 10 Wednesday 24 June

From the Principal: Click on the link for a video message from Ms Burke <https://youtu.be/aAGTQdlvQCc>

Welcome back!

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope the Easter long weekend provided families with a chance to rest and recharge. Thank you for the strong and settled start to the term. Our staff do a wonderful job of re-establishing routines from day one, creating calm, predictable learning environments where students can focus and thrive.

This term, our work is guided by two key school priorities:

- **Priority 1: Reading success for all**
We are continuing to strengthen high-quality classroom teaching in Reading and English. Teachers are focusing on clear instructions, consistent routines and engaging lessons to support every child's reading development.
- **Priority 2: Evidence empowering instruction**
Teachers are working collaboratively to use learning data to better understand student progress. This helps guide planning and ensures teaching and support are targeted to meet student needs.

Across Term 2, teachers will continue working together within year-level teams to ensure consistency, strong engagement and effective teaching practices across the school. Thank you for your ongoing support as we work collectively to strengthen learning outcomes for all students.

Deputy Principal absence:

Unfortunately, Mrs Thelma Scammells, Year 3-6 Deputy Principal for Years 3-6 has needed to take some personal leave for the first 5 weeks of this term. We expect to welcome Mrs Scammells back at school by Monday May 25, 2026.

If you have a concern regarding your child in Years 3-6 that has not been resolved at the classroom level, please email Principal@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au so the most appropriate person can respond to your enquiry.

ANZAC DAY MARCH – tomorrow Saturday 25 April

All students and their families are invited to join the Sandgate community's ANZAC March on Saturday April 25, 2026. It is anticipated that our school leaders and student councillors will also attend as part of their leadership responsibilities.

To join us on the march, please take note of the following details:

- The RSL will start the march **at 9 am sharp**. The march will begin at the corner of Cliff Street and Second Avenue in Sandgate. We will begin gathering at 8:30 am on Cliff Street. Look out for our school's banner. Students attending need to be at the form up point by 8:45 am.
- Students need to be in full uniform and must have a Norris Road State School hat to march. We also encourage students to apply sunscreen before arriving at the drop off point. Students are permitted to carry a water bottle if they choose. Those staff who are attending will walk with the students for the entire march.
- Our school leaders (including student councillors) should all be in attendance to represent the school.
- Mid way through the march there will be a point where they will ask students to take off their hats as a mark of respect.
- We anticipate that the march will be completed by approximately 9.30 am. Students can be collected in Einbunpin Lagoon Park (on Keough Street) at the conclusion of the march. Staff will wait with your child until they are collected.

Guidance Office (GO) Weeks - Monday 27 April to Friday 8 May

Guidance officers play an invaluable role in supporting students and school communities across Queensland. During Guidance Officer Week, we recognise their significant contribution in providing counselling, advice and leadership across a range of areas, including educational, behavioural, vocational, personal, social, family, mental health and wellbeing.

Guidance officers contribute to the development of comprehensive student support and wellbeing programs that respond to the diverse needs of school communities. Their work also includes psychoeducational assessments and career development, supporting positive educational outcomes and future pathways for all students.

They provide leadership, support and case management in addressing complex and challenging circumstances, including student protection matters, critical incidents, mental health concerns, and suicide prevention and postvention support. In addition, guidance officers offer training and support to staff, strengthening whole-school capacity to respond effectively to student wellbeing needs.

Engagement Norms

Our school is implementing engagement norms to support the teaching of reading, and student engagement. These engagement norms are taught routines that are repeated to reduce cognitive load. An example is 3, 2, 1 SHELL. This routine helps students know the schoolwide expectations for coming together to listen, with consistent language.

There is an expectation, that all Norris Road students are using and following these engagement norms.

In the coming NR for Families, we will share more of these.

TAFE Grounds

The school has been contacted by the TAFE to report NRSS students have been witnessed in the TAFE grounds. These grounds are not appropriate for unaccompanied children. If your child walks or rides to school on their own or with friends, please remind them to stay out of the TAFE grounds.

School Zone Parking

Parking in accordance with all road rules and signage is important to keep our children and other road users safe. Unfortunately, Brisbane City Council has received an increase in the number of reports of illegal parking around our school. As a result, our school has been added to Council's Safer Schools Program this term.

What does this mean?

Brisbane City Council's Parking Compliance Officers will be actively patrolling the streets surrounding our school over the coming term to encourage safer parking behaviours. These patrols will be conducted on foot and in highly visible Community Safety and Regulation vehicles that can identify alleged offences using Automatic Number Plate Recognition and GPS software. Please be kind – they have a job to do.

What are the common parking signs around schools?

A guide to common parking signs around school zones can be found on Council's website by searching the term 'School Parking'.

School Photos – Monday 27 April


Sibling Photos will be taken from 8.00am-8.30am in the hall.



MONDAY is
Photo Day!

-  Wear the correct uniform and bring your best smile!
-  Sibling Photos will be taken before school.
-  Order online or bring your ordering envelope to school if you are paying with cash.

Questions?
Contact MSP directly! 3865 4291
admin.brisbane@msp.com.au



SIBLING PHOTO INFORMATION

Please note that siblings **MUST** present themselves to the photographer to have their photo taken.
MSP Photography are not responsible for missed orders due to siblings not attending.

If you need your unique shoot key or have a question please call MSP Photography on 07 3865 4291



Norris Road State School

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2027 PREP INFORMATION EVENING
5.00pm - 6.00pm

Wednesday 6TH MAY

GET SET FOR PREP 2027
LEARN ABOUT OUR SCHOOL
VISIT OUR PREP CLASSROOMS
TAKE A TOUR
ENJOY A FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE



 Scan the QR Code to pre-register for the Information Session



Contact us for more information on 3261 0777
or email admin@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au



Wednesday 13 May

Year P-2

9.00am - 10.30am

 <p>SAVE</p>	<p>UNDER 8S DAY</p> <hr/> <p><i>PREP TO YEAR 2</i></p>
<p>24 JUNE 2026</p>	 <p>THE</p>
 <p>DATE</p>	<p>8.45am - 10.15am</p> <p>Junior oval/undercover area</p> <p>More information to come</p>

P&C Mother's Day Stall – Thursday 7 May:



P&C
Mother's Day
STALL

Date: Thursday 7th May 2026
Gifts: many gifts ranging from \$1-\$15
Cash accepted or purchase credits via Qkr!
Any questions please contact
pandc@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au



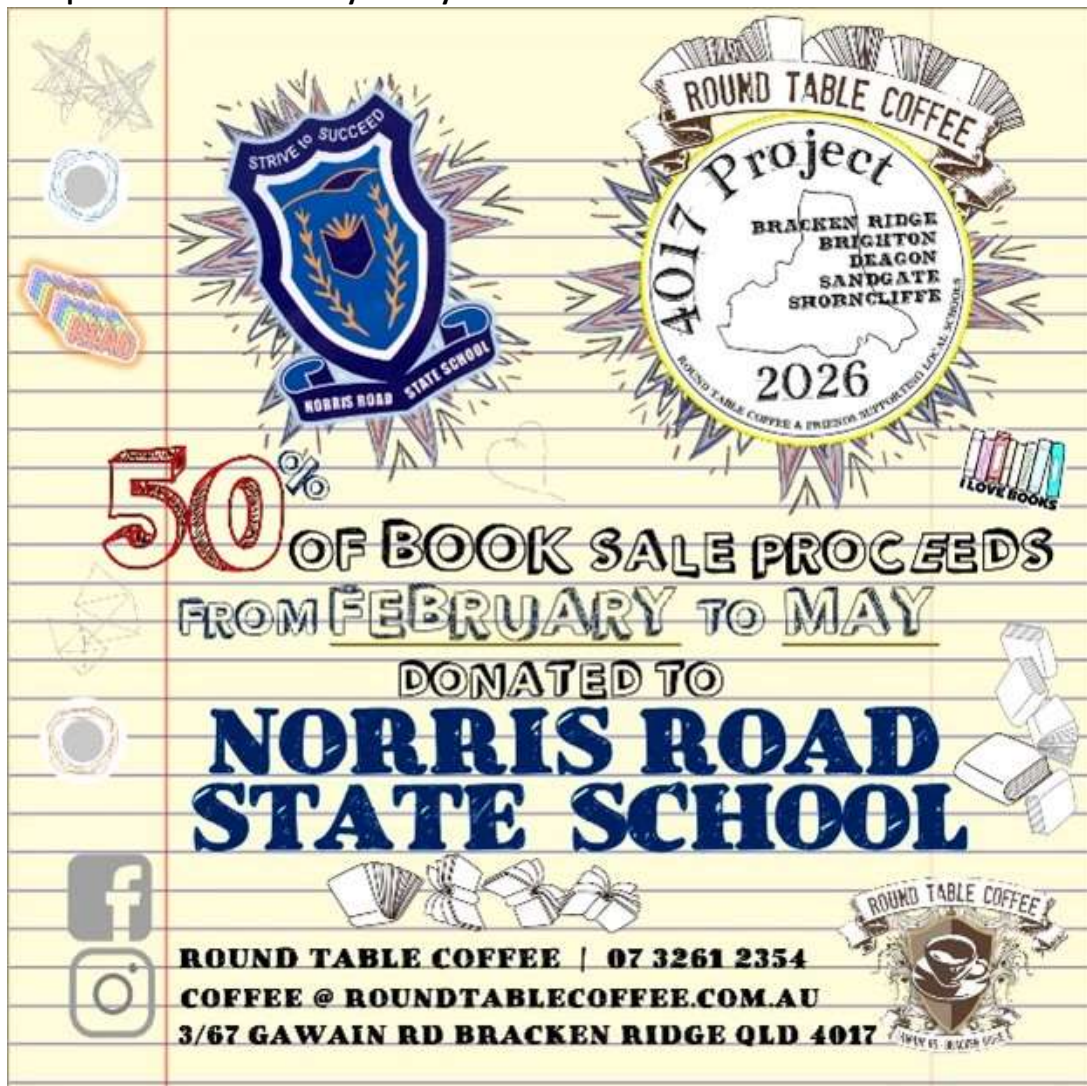
Mother's Day
STALL DONATIONS &
VOLUNTEERS

We need your help to bring our Mother's Day stall together!
Any donation, big or small, makes a difference.
To volunteer please contact us at
pandc@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au

Thank you!

Thank you to Round Table Coffee:

50% of book sale proceeds from February to May will be donated to NRSS.



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2026

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COFFEE @ ROUNDTABLECOFFEE.COM.AU
3/67 GAWAIN RD BRACKEN RIDGE QLD 4017



OPEN DAY

THURSDAY 21 MAY 4:00PM-6:00PM

Explore subject displays, take a tour, experience music and dance performances, talk with experienced staff and much more.

Register on arrival and receive a complimentary raffle entry for your chance to win a SDSHS Merch Pack. Complete an Open Day Passport for your chance to win Year 7 2027 SRS Laptop fees valued at \$300. Join in the Handball Challenge and support our SRC with \$2 sausage sizzle.

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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.