# FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents.

Term 3, Issue 11

3 August 2016

#### CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a busy start to the term it has been.

First Aid Focus visit last Wednesday.

Gymnasium, starting at 6.30pm.

happy but tired when they returned to school.

#### **School Times**

8.40am—3.00pm Tuesday early close 2.30pm Recess

10.25am-10.45am

Lunch

12.30pm-1.15pm

#### **Dates to Remember**

#### Thursday 4 August

• PEAC testing Year 4

#### Friday 5 August

- Assembly Room 9
- Jeans for Genes

#### Wednesday 10 August

Massed Choir rehearsal

#### Friday 12 August

Police Pipe Band visit 11.30am finish for

Monday 15 August

Uniform Shop

Burger Day

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Parent Interviews

Wednesday 17 August

Science Tabloid Day

Little Athletics Clinics

Rooms 9,10 & 11

Parent Open Night

Lesmurdie Le Mans

Friday 19 August Room 11 Assembly

### SURVEY

We have distributed the bi-annual survey which provides information for the external Independent Public School Review. The survey is live until 12 August. This is the mandated online survey which we are obliged to use.

We've had the Leaders elections for Semester 2. Little Athletics Clinics and the

Friday 29 July was also School's Tree Day and representatives from classes

Dance has also started. We are trialling a new company this year called Footsteps and the students are really enjoying the dances. We're looking

forward to the 'School Social' on Tuesday 13 September at St Brigid's

The Year 4 students had a great time on their excursion to Fremantle and were

Our newly elected Semester 2 School Leaders will be presented with their

badges at the assembly which is on this Friday 5 August. Room 9, Year 1 are

Friday 5 August is also Jeans for Genes day and students can participate by

bringing in a gold coin donation. Every dollar raised on the day helps scientists

at Children's Medical Research Institute which is dedicated to finding ways to treat or prevent childhood cancer, epilepsy, birth defects and genetic

diseases in order to create brighter futures for all children including those who

hosting the assembly and we look forward to seeing you there.

are with us today & those yet to come in to this world.

across the school helped Katie plant some trees/shrubs around the school.

All Staff and parents and only students in Year 5 and Year 6 will have the opportunity to fill in the survey.

To get the best response rate possible we have provided students with a return slip which they can bring to the office to get 5 faction points for their Faction when you have completed it. We will be trusting that people will have completed it as it is anonymous and we will not be able to check if they actually have done it or not. We hope that this will give us a good percentage of returns and provide us with a valid representative perspective.

#### SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS

Our new student speech pathologists start this Wednesday. This term, Emma Nimmo is returning and we also welcome Kirstie Smith and Amy Muir. They are working with identified students from Kindergarten through to Year 2 under the supervision of Leanne Rowe. Leanne has helped them design an early intervention program for these students which they are undertaking every Wednesday and Thursday from Week 3 until Week 10. The Kindy students are the focus, but there are also students from PP - Year 2 who have been

Monday 22 August Book Week Wednesday 24 August Book Week Parade

previously identified as well. They will be presenting an information session for parents of 2017 Kindergarten students at a date to be advised.

#### POLICE PIPE BAND

The Police Pipe Band will be visiting the school in the morning before the Parent Interviews on Friday 12 August. This is a great incursion and is free to the students. Members of the band will share a morning tea with staff at recess and after the break will visit classrooms to talk about their instruments and the band.

#### MASSED CHOIR

Our Choir will be attending a Cluster Rehearsal on the 10 August. They will leave the school at 8.40am and return around 12.30pm in time for lunch. Further details have been provided to choir students by Ms Johnston.

#### HALF DAY PARENT INTERVIEWS – FRIDAY 12 AUGUST

A reminder that **school will be closing at 11.30am on Friday 12 August** for parent/teacher interviews. Teachers have requested interviews for identified students and these should have been received by parents. Parents also have the opportunity to request an interview and should do so by contacting the teacher through the office. These interviews will give parents of identified students a really good opportunity to have an in-depth meeting with their child's class teacher about ways in which they can help with their child's educational development. These interviews have been beneficial in previous years and we will review this process along with our other processes across the school in our end of year annual review.

#### PARENT OPEN NIGHT

The Parent Open Night is on Wednesday 17 August. Parent Open Night is a great chance for parents to come in and go through students' work with them and also see their Art which will again be displayed in the Moonlight Hall. This year there will also be an opportunity to view the Science Activities which the students will have participated in as part of the Science Tabloid earlier that day. The LOTE and Music rooms will also be open. The Open Night will run from 6.00pm to 7.30pm. We're looking forward to seeing lots of parents, grandparents and other family members here on the night.

#### ASSEMBLY & LE MANS

On Friday 19 August, Room 11, Year 2 are hosting the Assembly. All are welcome to attend. The Lesmurdie Le Mans is being held on that afternoon. The Burma Road car park will be closed from 9.30am to enable set up of the event.

#### **ART COMPETITION WINNER**

Congratulations to Ané Greyling in Room 6 for being a winner in the Therapy Focus Art Competition. Ané's art work was one of the 20 winners selected from close to 4000 entries and will be published in *Outback Jack's Great Race,* which will be unveiled at a book launch on Thursday 25 August at the Perth Town Hall.

Ané will be presented with her prize pack and award at our assembly on Friday 19 August.

#### MOBILE PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

A reminder to parents and students that mobile phones, Ipods etc must be left in the office during the day. Students drop them off in the morning and collect them in the afternoon. We appreciate your cooperation and support with this.

#### MARKING OF CLOTHES AND PERSONAL ITEMS

Parents are requested to ensure that any articles of clothing that a child may remove in the course of a day and items such as drink bottles and lunch boxes are <u>clearly marked with the child's name</u>. Please ensure second hand items are updated with the correct details. This is very important in order to identify lost property. Lost property items are deposited in a container located near the staffroom and parents are advised to check it for any missing items.

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#### **VOUCHER CERTIFICATES**

Last year we made a change and decided to present students with a Certificate for each of the stages in their Appreciation Book to recognise their progress through the book. Previous to this, the students were recognised through receiving the reward from the Appreciation Book. This has resulted in an enormous increase in the number of Certificates presented at the Assembly and is becoming unmanageable. We are going to trial a modification to this process.

Students will receive their Certificates in class the day before and will be invited to stand as a group to be recognised at the Assembly. We will monitor how this change is progressing and will advise if further fine tuning is required.

#### TRAFFIC WARDEN

Please be aware that the traffic warden on Burma Road will not be on duty today.

#### CHICKENPOX

Please be aware we have a reported case of Chickenpox at school. For more information I have attached the following link from the Department of Health: <u>http://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/A\_E/Chickenpox-varicella</u>

Kind regards,

David Ingle

# **DEPUTY NEWS**

#### Athletics Practice

Each Friday between the start of the term and the Faction Athletics Carnival, students from Year 1 – Year 6 are taking part in Athletics training to get them ready for the carnival in Week 8. At athletics practice, students get a chance to improve their skills in jumping, throwing and running events and practise working as a team in the team games. This year, we have added in 2 novelty events, the sack relay and the 3 legged relay. These promise to be lots of fun.

I am looking for a couple of old car tyres to make the 3 legged race bands. If you have any at home, please see me in the office.

#### **Little Athletics**

The students from Rooms 5, 6, 7, 8 and 12 had the chance to take part in a Little Athletics clinic with TJ Calls from Little Athletics WA. TJ kept them fully occupied for the entire session and they learnt a bit about sprinting and throwing turbo javs in readiness for the carnival later in Term 3. Everyone who took part seemed to really enjoy themselves.

The students from Rooms 9, 10 and 11 along with the Year 1s from Room 3 will have their Little Athletics session on Wednesday 17 August.





#### **National Tree Day**

Friday, 29 July was National Tree Day. Representatives from each of the classes helped Katie plants some trees and shrubs from around the school. Thanks to our gardener, Katie for organising this planting along with the class representatives who helped out.



#### **First Aid Focus**





During Week 2, all students from Kindergarten to Year 6 took part in some First Aid sessions run by St John's Ambulance. These sessions focussed on teaching students what to do in emergency situations and skills that they could use to help people out who may have been injured. We do these sessions each year as they are a good reminder of what to do in case of medical emergencies.

#### **PEAC Testing**

The Year 4 students will be participating in a state-wide Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) test tomorrow. These tests are used to identify students who might be suitable for the PEAC Program in Year 5 and Year 6. The students who achieve scores in the top 2.5% will be offered places in the PEAC Program next year.

If you do not want your child to participate in this testing, please advise the school in writing before tomorrow.

#### Falls Road Primary Book Swap

The Falls Road **Book Swap Program** is happening every Wednesday morning from 8.15am to 8.40am in the LOTE (Italian Room). Come in and swap some of your old books. There is a range and variety of books available.

We are still looking for **BOOK DONATIONS** for our Book Swap Program. Books can be aimed at students from Kindergarten right through to Year 6. We would ask that books are in reasonable condition. Books can be dropped off to either Inger Johnston or Simon Docherty.

#### What's happening in Term 3

Thursday, 4 August - Year 4 PEAC Testing Friday, 5 August - Year 1/Room 9 Assembly - Jeans for Genes Day Wednesday, 10 August - Massed Choir Cluster Rehearsal

Wednesday, 17 August - Little Athletics Clinics (Rooms 9, 10 and 11 + Year 1s from Room 3)

#### Regards

#### **Simon Docherty**

Payments can be made to the school using the Pay Anyone option through your online bank account.

The account details are as follows:

BSB: 633 000

Account: 154 725 592

Falls Road Primary School – School Account

Please clearly state student's surname, initial and reason for payment in the description. (e.g. Smith J- Swimming)

#### Please DO NOT make Uniform payments in this account.

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#### Year 4 Excursion to the Ship Museum in Fremantle

Last Friday, 29 July, the Year 4 class went on an excursion to the Fremantle Ship Museum. They had the chance to get a close-up look at an old-fashioned sailing ship and get an idea of the conditions that sailors had to endure in the 'old days.' They also looked at a range of different ship equipment that has been used in times gone by. Thanks to Mrs Briggs for organising this excursion along with Mrs Robinson, Mr Bernardi and parents who helped provide supervision during the day.





#### National Asthma Week 1-7 September

The theme for National Asthma Week 2016 is Become a Better Breather. National Asthma Week coincides with the beginning of spring and as pollens are a known trigger for asthma, this is an excellent time to ensure your child's asthma is well controlled. Sections of the Asthma Australia website that can help with asthma management include:



- Take the <u>Asthma Control Test</u> to see if you could make improvements to help your child become a better breather.
- Manage <u>allergies</u> often linked with asthma, including allergic rhinitis (hayfever).
- Did you know? 90% of people with asthma use their medications incorrectly.
- Check your child's technique to see if they are getting full benefit from their medication.

Regular review of your child's asthma with your GP and pharmacist will help them to become a better breather.

Need help with your child's asthma? Contact our Asthma Assist line on 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462) and talk to one of our friendly Asthma Health Professionals.

#### **PEAC Program**

Last term, Liza Kriel in Year 6, held a cake stall at school as part of her 'Making A Difference' PEAC course. With the funds raised she assembled packs containing toys, activities and craft items for the children staying at Princess Margaret Hospital. Liza was also given the opportunity to have a look around the Hospital's Radio Lollipop and to say hello over the radio!





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## P & C NEWS

#### **Burger Day**

Our next Burger Day is on Wednesday 17 August. Please return your order form and money no later than Monday 15 August. An order form is attached with this newsletter. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

#### Sanderson Road IGA

We would like to thank the ongoing support we receive from IGA Sanderson Road. Simply by placing your shopping docket in the Falls Road box at the check out, IGA will donate 1% of all sales back to our school.

#### **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop will be open at 8.15am on the following Mondays this term:

#### 15 & 29 August and 12 September

Don't forget that orders with full payment can be left in the office at any time. You can also pay online to the Falls Road P&C Account (number is on the order form) and leave the order form in the office.

#### Please use the following bank details for **uniform orders only:**

#### BSB: 633 000 Account: 155 063 613

Please note that ALL orders take a minimum of 3 days to be filled. For online deposits, orders will be filled only after confirmation that funds have been received has been given to me by our Treasurer.

\*Please be careful when making your direct deposit payments.\*

Both the P&C and the school have been receiving payments to the incorrect bank accounts. This is time consuming to rectify and refund. The P&C only accepts payments for UNIFORM orders.

#### School Banking

School Banking operates every Monday morning from 8.15am - 8.40am. New Bankers always welcome!

On occasion, we have senior students who assist with School Banking. It would be greatly appreciated if all deposit slips could be completed in full with name, amount and bank account number to assist these students.



Did you know Falls Road Primary School P&C is on Facebook? Join us at: https://www.facebook.com/fallsroadprimaryschool



If your child is absent please phone the school on 9291 8200 or email us at fallsroad.ps@education.wa.edu.au.

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

#### Lesmurdie Mazenod Junior Cricket Club

Lesmurdie Mazenod Junior Cricket Club (LMJCC) is currently seeking players for the upcoming 2016/2017 cricket season. This is a fantastic opportunity for your son/daughter to play Australia's premier summer sport in an enjoyable environment. LMJCC offers an In2cricket program (ages 5-8) as well as a Junior Comp for Under 10s to Under 17s. The season runs from October through to March, with fixtures yet to be finalised.

Registrations can be completed online at playcricket.com.au or in person at our Registration Day – Saturday 27 August, 10am to 1pm @ Ray Owen Reserve, Lesmurdie. Family discounts are available. Please direct any queries to Kristie Ives <u>registrar.Imjcc@hotmail.com</u> or Kelly Monks <u>secretary.Imjcc@hotmail.com</u>.

#### **Trinity College**

If you are looking for a holistic, quality Catholic education for your son, Trinity College in East Perth may be the school you are searching for. We strive to provide the highest level of teaching and learning in an environment that keeps expanding to meet the physical and emotional needs of all students. To learn more about the extensive things on offer such as our state-of-the-art robotic observatory or our Design and Technology centre using the latest equipment in technology laboratories, please visit our website for further information. Our virtual tour and online application makes the process of enrolling your son as simple as possible. Interviews are now taking place for Year 7 in 2018, with limited places available for Year 7 next year. Visit <u>www.trinity.wa.edu.au</u>.

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