



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 1 September

- Massed Choir
Rehearsal excursion
8.50am-2.00pm
- Fathers Night - Rooms
3 & 4

Friday 2 September

- Choir Assembly
- Massed Choir Practice
and Concert

Monday 5 September

- P & C Meeting

Tuesday 6 September

- Faction Jumps and
Throws begin

Friday 9 September

- Faction Athletics
Carnival

Monday 12 September

- Uniform Shop

Tuesday 13 September

- School Social @ St
Brigid's Gym

Friday 16 September

- Room 5 Assembly
- Faction Sausage Sizzle

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Parent Night

Parent Night was a wonderful success. Even though the weather was less than conducive, there was an excellent turnout. The artwork that students have created throughout this year was displayed in the Moonlight Hall. Every student had a piece displayed and it was visually impressive.

The Science activities which the students participated in as part of Science Week were also extremely popular. Students and lots of parents also, had a fantastic time trialling the experiments. The room was humming throughout the night.

A huge thank you also to all of our wonderful staff for the planning and effort you put in to the presentation and display of the student work in your classrooms, they looked fantastic.

Book Week, Book Week Parade

All classes across the school participated in reading activities in the lead-up to Book Week. Work from these activities was displayed on pin up boards inside or outside of classrooms.

The annual Book Week Parade was our best yet. Students, teachers and even some parents dressed up as their favourite book character. A great time was had by all and the level of involvement and effort put in to dressing up as their favourite character really demonstrated how much our students love reading.

Book Fair

Ms Ashman, the school librarian advised me that we set a new record in book sales of over \$3,000.00 This is an amazing effort and we say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair. The added bonus is that the school receives 30% of sales in new books for our school Library. This equates to over \$1000.00 worth of new books. Congratulations everyone, a mighty effort indeed.

Kindy / Pre Primary Area

We have had to start locking the Kindy and Pre Primary area after school hours and on weekends. Unfortunately people have been using this area as a dog enclosure and not cleaning up their animal's faeces. We also have some students with allergies to dog saliva.

This area is for our students to play in and needs to be hygienic. I trust that parents will understand and support us in this.

Fathers' Night

Tomorrow night Rooms 3 and 4 will be holding a Fathers' Night with activities and a Sausage Sizzle.

NAPLAN

We received our NAPLAN results last week and are very pleased with the student's achievements. The Year 3 and Year 5 student average for each of the areas, Numeracy, Reading, Writing, Spelling and Punctuation & Grammar are above the State and Australian averages. This is a tremendous result.

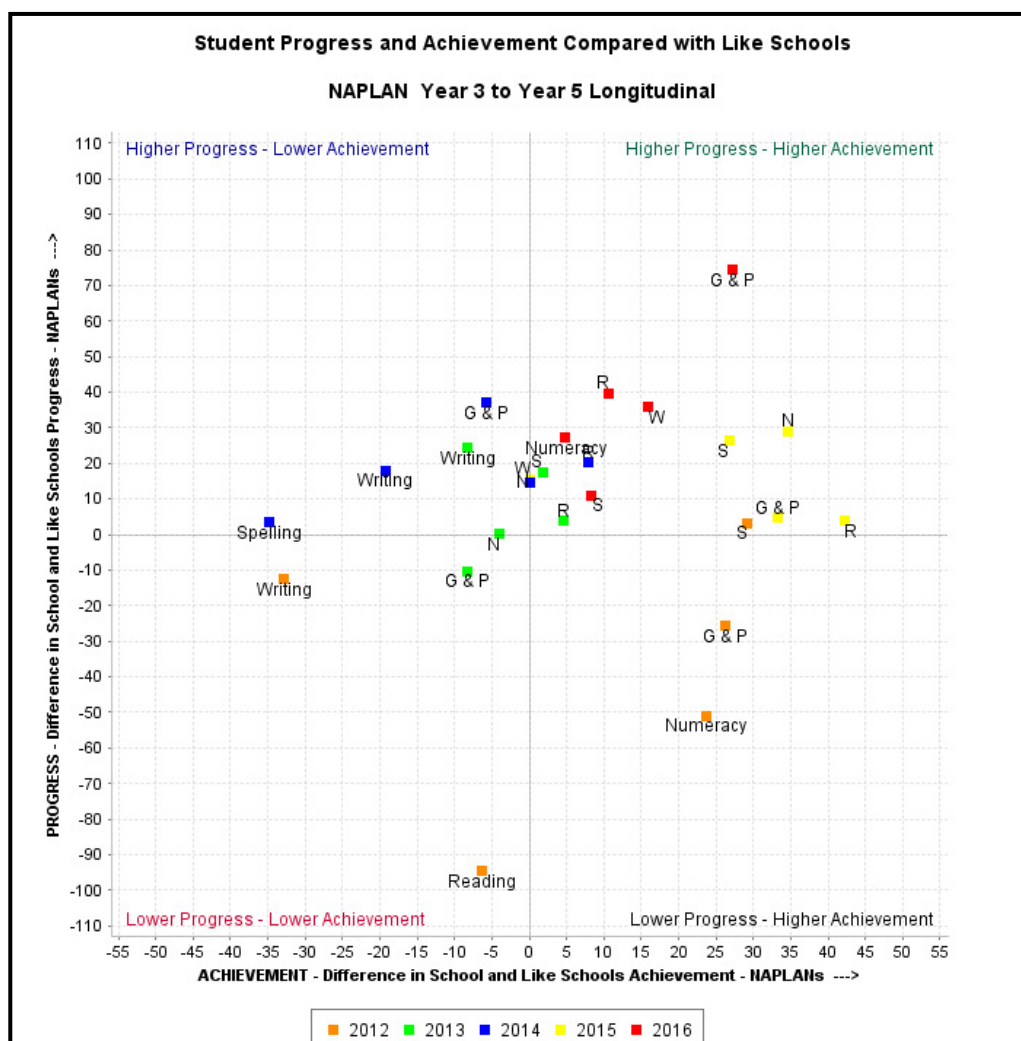
Also, as the graph below shows, our progress and achievement over the last five years from Year 3 to Year 5 has been heading in the desired direction towards the quadrant – Higher Progress – Higher Achievement. This comparison is with Like Schools which are demographically and economically similar to our school.

This outcome is a credit to all of our teachers in our school. It commences in Kindergarten and Pre Primary where we have had an increased focus on Literacy and Numeracy, and have a Speech Pathology Program. We have also implemented the Diana Rigg Phonetics Program across Kindergarten to Year 2 to provide consistency and continuity.

Our Intensive Literacy Tuition Program has been in place for a number of years in Year 4 and up and this year we have extended it to include Year 3 students.

All of these initiatives combined with the hard work and focus of **all of our teachers** to improve Literacy and Numeracy has culminated in this very pleasing result. Congratulations everyone!

The NAPLAN Test results will be sent home with students today. This includes the information that we send home to parents of Year 4 and Year 6 whom we also test each year to monitor their progress.



School Development Day

The School Development Day was very successful. Staff worked through the latest draft of the Review document. It was a prolonged and detailed exercise and will ensure that the finished document accurately captures our progress in relation to the Delivery and Performance agreement and the Targets in the Business Plan. I would like to thank staff for their contributions on the day.

Upcoming Events

On Friday we have an Assembly with our School Choir performing for your entertainment. We look forward to seeing you there.

Friday night the Choir will be performing as part of the Massed Choir at Winthrop Hall. It should be a great night.

Monday 5 September, we will have our final Camp Meeting. It will be held in Room 8, starting at 6.00pm. Minutes of the meeting will be distributed to those who are unable to attend.

The next P&C Meeting is on Monday 5 September starting at 7.00pm in the staff room.

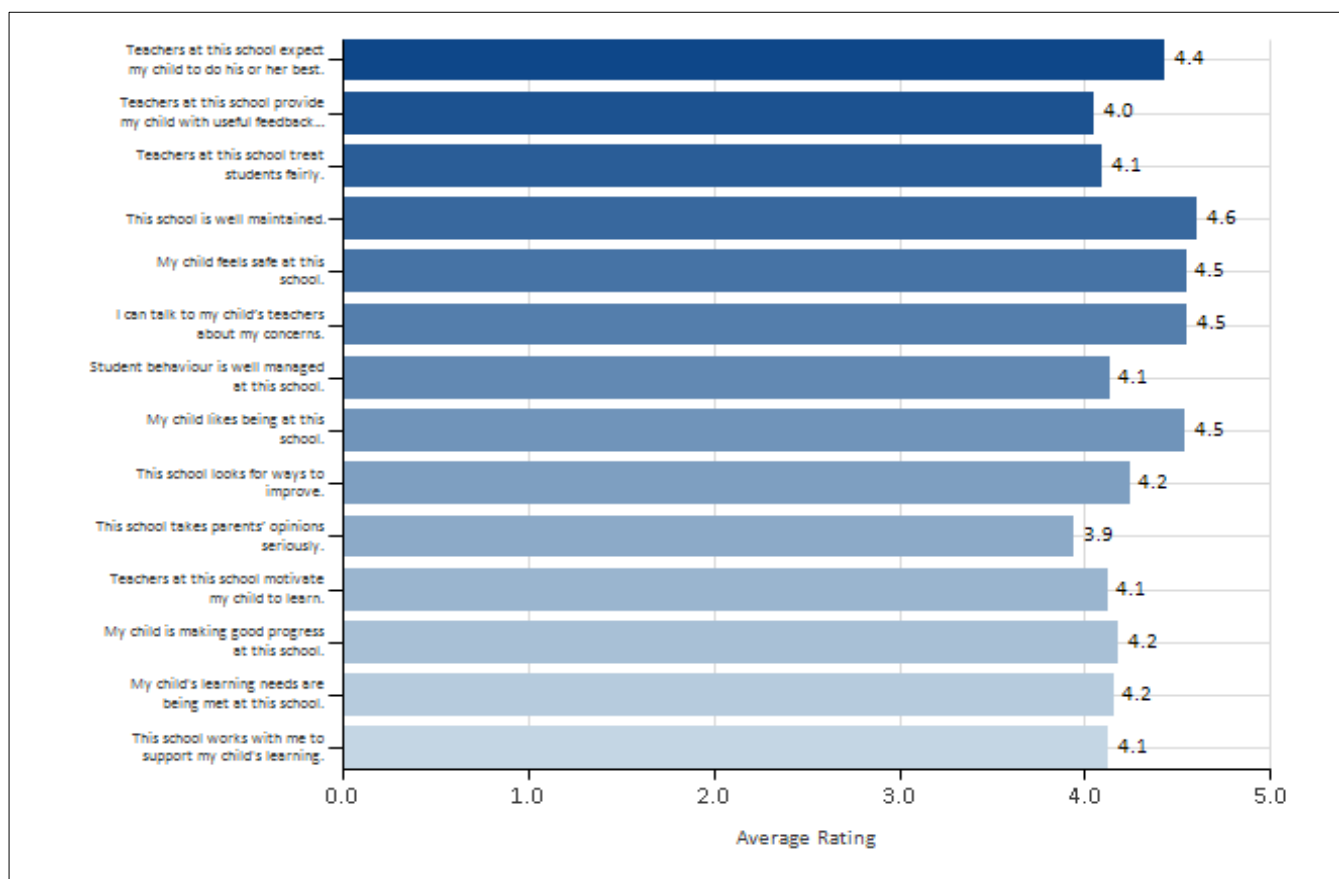
The Board Meeting is on the following night, Tuesday 6 September also in the staff room, starting at 7.00pm.

Term Planner Updates

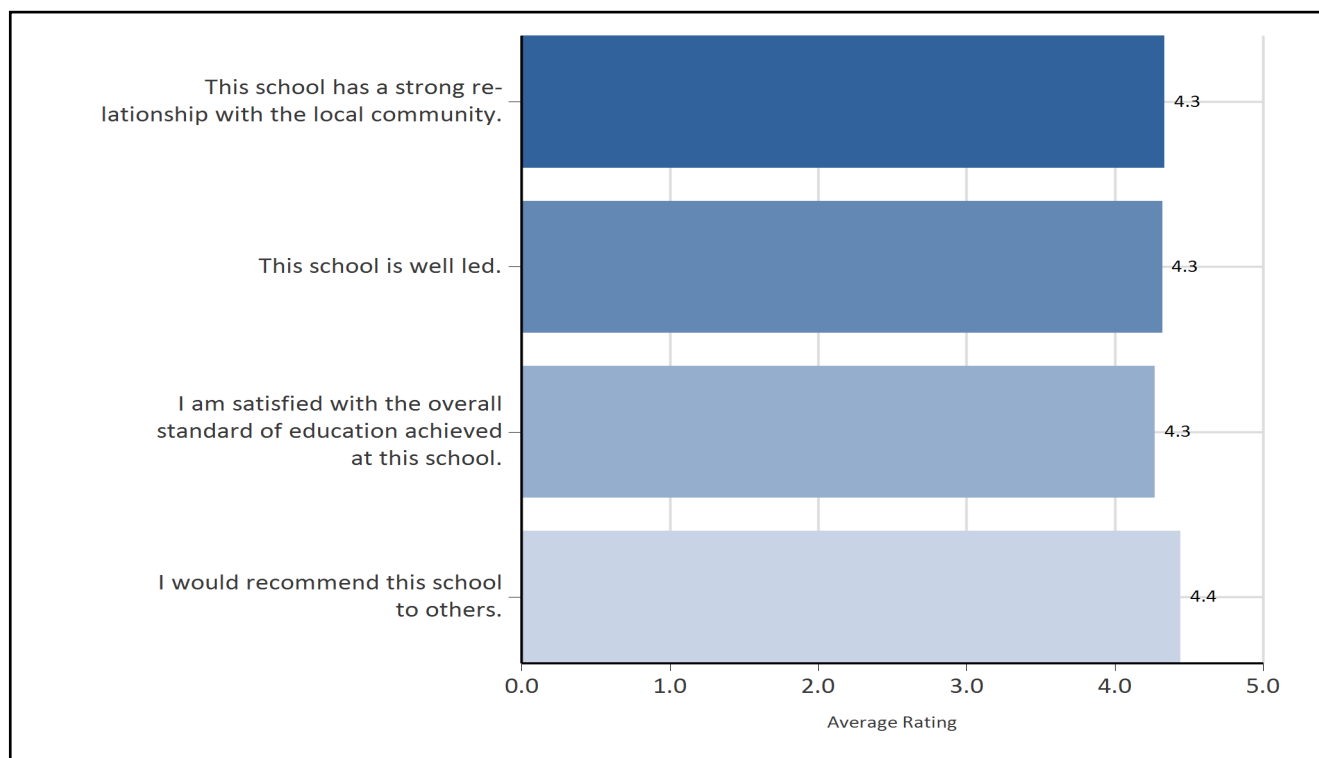
Due to a very busy Term 3, we have decided to postpone the Poetry Eisteddfod until Term 4, Friday 4 November. The Spelling Bee will now be held on Friday 2 December.

Survey

As reported in the last Newsletter we had an amazing response and set a new record of 122 surveys. The graph below shows the positive response of parents to the questions in the survey. Taking parents opinions seriously, although high, is the lowest area on the graph and one which we will give some thought to. We will analyse the comments to see if they provide us with any further insight to this.



The second graph shows a collated view of the questions pertinent to each of these areas.



Congratulations Ané

Pictured is Ané Greyling at the Perth Town Hall receiving a framed copy of her art piece which is being included in the 2016 Therapy Focus book 'Outback Jack's Great Race'. Ané will also be recognised at our assembly this Friday.



School Crossing

Parents and carers are reminded to always use the School Crossing if you park in the Burma Road car park, as this is the safest point of entry to the school. To ensure the safety of everyone crossing, do not allow children to hinder the warden in his duty by touching the flags etc.

David Ingle
Principal

DEPUTY NEWS





Book Week 2016 – ‘Australia – Story Country’

Last week, Falls Road celebrated Book Week 2016, ‘Australia – Story Country.’ Classes across the school took part in activities based around this theme and produced some fantastic work which has been displayed throughout the teaching blocks during Book Week. During Book Week, the School Leaders also conducted some interviews over the school Public Address System. These interviews were based around finding out what each of the classes did as their Book Week activity. All those students who were interviewed, along with the School Leaders who conducted the interviews, did a great job. We also had our Book Parade on Wednesday 24 August and a big crowd of parents and carers saw some of the best-dressed book characters we’ve seen at Falls Road. Lots of people had obviously put a lot of time, effort and thought into their costumes – Well Done!

Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival is scheduled for Week 8 of this term. The jumping and throwing events for each year level will take place from Tuesday 6 September through to Thursday 8 September (see timetable attached) and the running, team games and novelties will take place at the Faction Athletics Carnival on Friday, 9 September starting at 8.50am – I have attached an explanation of how students are chosen for events. This year, we are including some novelty events, the sack race relay and the 3 legged relay.

We will be looking for helpers throughout the week as well as on the Friday, so if you are to help out during your child’s jumping or throwing event, please let me know on the day of the event. Any help will be much appreciated. We’re looking forward to a fun and enjoyable week.

Literacy Pro Reading Program

This year the Falls Road P & C have funded our membership of the Literacy Pro Lexile Reading Program. This is a way that independent readers and their parents (usually Year 3 and above) can track their reading habits along with their comprehension of what they read. Individual students can log-in via the link below.

Throughout the first half of the year, the school librarians have picked out all those books in our library that have a lexile rating and have placed them in a particular part of the library – they are colour coded according to their lexile rating. Students then did an individual test that identified their lexile level. They can then go and choose books to read that are aimed at their lexile level. They do this by following the steps shown below.

1. Students read a book based around their lexile level – we have many of these in the school library.
2. If the book has a lexile rating (not all books do), they log into the Literacy Pro Program and do a quiz based on their book.
3. After completing the quiz, they get a score and their lexile level can go up or down
4. They choose another book to read

On the student/parent dashboard, you can track how many quizzes have been done, questions answered correctly, lexile average of books read as well as many other things.

NOTE:

- Not all books are lexiled, but most recent books are. Students can also log details of all other books that they read even if they aren't lexiled. This is a great way of tracking what books they have read.
- The lexile placement test can only be done once a term and is an accurate guide to a child's reading ability- this is done once a term at school.

If the following link does not work, the school's code is **247856**

<https://educator-slz04.scholasticlearningzone.com/auth/intl/Login/AUS7VPQ>

Lesmurdie Le Mans go-kart races



What a sensational day the Year 6 students had at the 10th Lesmurdie Le Mans go-kart races last Friday. Mr Bennett along with Mr Tooke and the Year 6 students had done a great job of setting up for the day. Racing got underway at 1.00pm with the first of the qualifying heats. Teams from Kalamunda, Lesmurdie, Walliston and Falls Road battled it out to make it into the final race where the coveted Lesmurdie Le Mans trophy was up for grabs. The final race featured 3 teams from Lesmurdie and 1 team from Falls Road. The Falls Road team, the Hot Dogs, managed an against the odds win to claim the Le Mans trophy for the 3rd time in the last 4 years.

Below is a link to an article in the Hills Gazette.

<http://www.communitynews.com.au/hills-gazette/sport/hot-dog-we-have-a-winner-falls-road-primary-claims-10th-annual-lesmurdie-le-mans/>.

Falls Road Primary Book Swap

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.

We are going to swap the Book Swap time to a **Wednesday afternoon straight after school**. Students will be reminded just prior to the siren signalling the end of the day.

We have a range of books from Kindergarten right through to upper primary level, so come and have a look to see if you can find something you like.

What's happening in Term 3

Thursday 1 September – **Massed Choir Rehearsal,
Room 3 and 4 Fathers' Night**

Friday 2 September – **Massed Choir Concert**

Tuesday 6 – Thursday 8 September – **Athletics Carnival (Jumps and Throws)**

Friday 9 September – **Athletics Carnival (Running, Team Games and Novelties)**

Regards

Simon Docherty

Falls Road Netball Club

On behalf of Falls Road Netball Club I would like to say thank you for your support over the 2016 season. We are looking forward to a break before our 2017 Season commences next year.

Regards

Jo Letts & Chrissy Camp

Expression of Interest

We are looking at starting an U12 Falls Road Boys Basketball Team for next season (start Feb 2017). The games are played Monday afternoons. Please contact emma@petrig.info if your son is between 10 & 12 and interested in playing.

**P & C NEWS****Falls Road P&C Father's Day Stall**

Students will have the opportunity to visit the **Father's Day Stall** in the library with their class this week.

Gift prices range from \$1 to \$10

Students can purchase one gift each, and return at lunchtime if they'd like to purchase another gift. For younger children please send the money to school in a labelled bag/envelope for the teachers to look after.

Dates:

Kindy Green will visit the stall on **Thursday Sept 1st**

The main stall will be held on Friday Sept 2nd

P & C Meeting

Our next meeting is being held on Monday 5 September commencing at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All welcome to attend.

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.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open at 8.15am on **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

MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates at the assembly on Friday 19 August 2016:

Year	Student	Comment for:
PP	Charlie Elkins	Always putting in 100% effort when writing. Keep it up Charlie!
PP	Riley Copeland	Always coming to class with a smile and being a great and caring classmate. You're a superstar Riley!
PP	Jake Hinderaker	Your persistence and hard work every morning during writing. You are amazing Jake!
PP	Archer Lines	Much better concentration on the mat and always contributing to class discussions.
1	Scarlett Harrison	Reading all 100 Year One sight words without any mistakes. You are an absolute super star!
1	Scarlet Noa	Showing some good Mathematical skills in problem solving. Fantastic effort Scarlet
1	Eli Falconbridge	Always completing his work at a high standard. Well done Eli.
1	Liam Court	Working hard to learn his reading words. Great job Liam, keep it up.
1	Luke Sprogowski	Being able to recall all friends of ten number facts.
1	Harry Carter	Making equivalent change for amounts up to a dollar.
1	Hannah Wessels	Writing an excellent review of the book "The Pirates Next Door".
2	Tren Leppers	Making equivalent change for amounts using dollars and cents.
2	Magnus Davis	His thoughtful and explicit retell of an Aboriginal dreamtime story and his great artwork to go with it.
2	Elizabeth Power	Her fabulous retell of an Aboriginal dreamtime story. Elizabeth tried her very best to include all the details of the story!
2	Sienna Petrig	Always putting in a great effort in all learning tasks.
2	Macee Rothnie	Settling into learning tasks quickly and for always trying her best.
3	Annalie Gibbons	Her outstanding effort when modelling and explaining fraction concepts.
3	Eve Hinderaker	The care she takes with all of her work and for being such a friendly and co-operative member of the class.
3	Hayden Lamb	His great description of an author's use of language/
4	Asha Daly	Being a hardworking student who strives to achieve her personal best.
4	Jack Tangney	Being an interested learner who makes valuable contributions to class discussions.
5	Oliver Devenish	Being our classroom I.T. expert and sharing his knowledge with everyone.
5	Ethan Copeland	Trying to complete all tasks in the require time.
5	Damian Trvcich	His helpful suggestions to solve ICT problems.
6	Megan Gulley	Her excellent efforts in completing her Mythbusters, Travel and Book Week projects in a timely manner and to a high standard.
6	James Schussler	His excellent efforts in completing his Mythbuster Project on the effects on eczema. Well done on a terrific report James!

Certificate of Excellence

Awarded to:

All the Students in the Year 6 Class

For excellent results in the preparation and presentation of the activities for the whole school Science Tabloid Day. Their enthusiasm and willingness to share their scientific understandings with others was outstanding.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

STIRK ISLAND 2116

ZIG ZAG COMMUNITY ARTS FESTIVAL PRESENTS:

FREE JUNKADELIC ARTS WORKSHOPS

Just imagine what the Shire of Kalamunda will be like in 100 years!

That's what almost 100 local school students are doing this year in preparation for the Act Belong Commit Zig Zag Community Arts Festival at Stirk Park on October 30 as they create the *Stirk Island Saga*.

Kalamunda and Woodlupine Primary School students and young artists and musicians from Kalamunda Senior High School are already starting to work on the 'Stirk Island Saga' comic book, costumes and music for the Festival Parade and Finale.

JOIN IN BY COMING TO THE FREE COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Junkadelic will be holding 6 sessions starting on September 4 in Kalamunda, the creations made at the workshops will be launched at the Zig Zag Festival on October 30. Some of the workshops will be held during school holidays. Children will be safe and supervised, and have a priceless creative and educational community experience. Workshops are recommended for children from 9 -16 years old. Parents and friends are always welcome too! Please register your interest by calling Celia on 9291 3092 or by emailing info@zigzagfestival.org. visit our website at <http://www.zigzagfestival.org/Festival.html> for more information.

Young Creatives Month

The Shire of Kalamunda is hosting a whole month of creative events, activities and programs for young people this September. For more information visit the Shire website <http://www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au/Services/Youth-Childrens-Services/Youth/Activities/Young-Creatives-Month>.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

DATE: Thursday 29 September, 2016

TIME: 1:00-3:00PM

VENUE: All Saints College, Ewing Ave
Bull Creek

Grab your friends and come and join in the fun!

MILO in2CRICKET for girls and boys aged 5-7

MILO T20 BLAST for all girls aged 7-12 and boys aged 7-11

RSVP by heading to the http://www.waca.com.au/south_free_holiday_clinic/