FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

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 10 November

 Red Cross Pillowcase Project Year 3/4 only

Friday 11 November

- Remembrance Day
- 2017 Kindergarten Parent Information session 9.00am
- Poetry Eisteddfod

Thursday 17 November

- Nude Food Day
- Year 6 Transition Day
 @ Lesmurdie SHS

Friday 18 November

- Loud Shirt Day
- Assembly Room 6
- Burger Day

Friday 25 November

- Kindy 2017 Student Orientation
- Kalamunda SHS Orientation

Thursday 1 December

Volunteer Morning Tea

Tuesday 13 December

• Carols by Candlelight

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

As we head towards the end of the year I'm including this reminder to encourage parents to ensure that students get to school by 8.30am. This gives the students 10 minutes to get unpacked and ready to start school at 8.40am. I look forward to continuing to support you to achieve this.

It's great to see that the very high level of students wearing correct uniform is being maintained as we transition into the warmer months. Students have also been using the SunSmart Booth at recess and lunchtime to put sunscreen on.

Next Thursday 17th November, our Year 6 students will be visiting Lesmurdie SHS as part of the transition program for 2017. All Year 6 students will attend even if they are not going to LSHS as it will still be useful to them in experiencing a high school structure and format.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The internet and social media provide great opportunities for us to network and stay in touch online. While these technologies can offer a positive space for sharing information and ideas, they also have the potential to cause harm to individuals, groups or even whole communities.

Just as you would discourage your child from acting inappropriately online, it's important to remember that sometimes, negative comments posted about a school community by parents or caregivers can have a bigger impact than expected. Reputations of staff, schools, and even parents can be damaged.

Whenever you're online, you are potentially speaking to an unlimited audience, even if you think your conversations are private. Taking a few moments to think about the content you post could save upset, embarrassment and even possible legal action or police involvement.

Parental and community feedback is important for schools. If you have a concern, complaint or enquiry about an issue at school, the best approach is to speak directly to us, rather than discussing it in a public forum. If you are worried about online content involving the school community, contact the principal. If you are posting online, remember that your comments help build and support the school community. Make sure you're honest, respectful, considerate and a good role model for your children.

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QUIZ NIGHT

Congratulations to the P&C for organising and running a very successful and enjoyable Quiz Night last Friday. It was one of the best so far. At the moment they have raised just over \$6,000.00 which is a fantastic effort. When the final amount is calculated, we will let you know.

Thank you also to staff who were involved in supporting and helping out on the night, it was a great effort.

CHILDREN LEAVING 2016

If it is possible that your child/ren (excluding Year 6 students) will not be attending this school next year please notify the Principal in writing. This is not binding, but we need to have an idea of student numbers so that preliminary work can commence on organising the possible class structures for 2017.

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2017

At this time of the year, we are beginning to think of the organisation and structure of classes for next year. If you have any class requests for next year, please forward them to the principal as soon as **possible**. As always, we will try and accommodate these requests as best we can, although this is not always possible. The organisation of classes is dependent on student numbers for each year level and class sizes are based on industrial agreements between the Department of Education and the Teacher's Union. Each year there are different scenarios. When it comes to forming groups for different classes, teachers are consulted closely to form the most effective learning groups and we take a wide range of factors into consideration.

2017 PERSONAL REQUIREMENT LIST

Personal Requirement List for 2017 for students have been forwarded home with students today.

VOLUNTEER MORNING TEA

The Volunteer Morning Tea will be held on Thursday 1 December at 10.15am for all parents, grandparents and carers who have assisted the school in any way. Invitations have been sent home with students today. Please RSVP by Tuesday 29 November.

SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION AND CHARGES FOR 2017

Falls Road Primary Independent Public School Board has endorsed the schedule of Contributions and Charges which details the maximum costs that you might incur throughout the school year. It includes details of the P & C approved Voluntary Fund and the costs for Booklists (Personal Items for student use).

Regards David Ingle Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Poetry Eisteddfod

The Poetry Eisteddfod finals are taking place this Friday afternoon in the Moonlight Hall (A timetable and note has been sent out with this newsletter). Students who have been selected for the finals should have been notified by their class teacher. If you are unsure, please see your child's class teacher. All parents are welcome to come along and watch the finals.

Interschool Athletics

The Stirk Interschool Athletics Carnival took place at Gooseberry Hill PS on Friday, 28 October. Falls Road PS produced one of their best Interschool Athletics performances by coming second in both the overall shield and the Endeavour Shield (see scores below).

Championship Shield	Endeavour Shield
1. Gooseberry Hill – 530	1. Lesmurdie – 526
2. Falls Road – 328	2. Falls Road – 515
3. Lesmurdie – 278	3. Maida Vale – 423
4. Kalamunda – 277	4. Walliston – 414
5. Maida Vale – 249	5. Kalamunda - 374
6. Walliston - 236	

School Fun Run

Congratulations to the following students who were the highest fundraisers for their class from the school fun run on Friday, 21 October.

Room 3 - Kaia Johnson, Room 4 - Zoe Barrett, Room 5 - Cassidy Bottrell, Room 6 - Angus Thin Room 7 - Mitchell Hamilton, Room 8 - Sam Johnson, Room 9 - Zoie Head, Room 10 - Adam Ingram Room 11 - Maya Kreemer-Pickford, Room 12 - Sophie Horne, Room 13 - Max Kenny

The P & C raised over \$6 000 which will go towards purchasing more obstacle course equipment for the playground.

Loud Shirt Day



Friday, 18 November is Loud Shirt Day at Falls Road Primary. Find the

loudest, most colourful shirt or skirt/dress you can find in your wardrobe (or your mum and dad's wardrobe) and wear it to school to celebrate Loud Shirt Day. Loud Shirt Day is raising money for hearing impaired research and programs. There will be a gold coin donation for those that wear a loud shirt on this day. We're looking forward to turning down the volume on some really bad shirts or skirts/dresses on Friday, 18 November.

Falls Road Primary Book Swap.

The Book Swap Shop is now open on a Wednesday afternoon from 3.00 – 3.15pm. If you can't make it at this time, let Mr Docherty know and he can swap the books at another time

We are also looking for some more novel-type books that will appeal to older readers.

What's happening in Term 4

- Friday 11 November Poetry Eisteddfod (1.20 2.45pm) / Remembrance Day
- Friday 18 November Room 6 Assembly / Loud Shirt Day
- Friday 2 December Room 3 Assembly / Spelling Bee
- Thursday 8 December Year 6 Graduation Dinner
- Friday 9 December Year 6 Graduation Assembly
- Tuesday 13 December Sharing a Hills Christmas
- Thursday 15 December Falls Road's Got Talent

Regards

Simon Docherty

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

MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates at the assembly on Friday 2 4 November 2016:

Year	Student	Comment for:		
PP	Gemma Hicks	Your amazing verbal retell of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Keep up the great work!		
PP	Connor McCutcheon	The amazing effort he is putting into all his school work! Well done, Connor!		
PP	Riley Rivett	Always taking such pride in his work. Riley's attention to detail is superb!		
PP	Mitchell Ghedina	Always presenting beautifully neat work with great sounding out! Super star!		
1	Cameron Thurgate	Making good behavioural choices in class and the playground. Keep it up Cameron.		
1	Lincoln Ramsden Farrow	Displaying good, mature work habits and working to his full potential. Great work Lincoln.		
1	Maddie Coppin	Showing some good strategies in Maths. Well done Maddie.		
1	Jack Farrow	Trying hard to understand the value of coins and exchanging one coin for two.		
2	Daemyn McKay	Trying to improve his letter formation and word spacing.		
2	Adam Ingram	Writing a convincing persuasive text about why we should not celebrate Halloween.		
2	Ailsa Ross	Achieving an excellent result in her spelling test. Well done Ailsa! We will all miss you!		
2	Mitchell Stoffels	Demonstrating great perseverance over the last two weeks by continuing to try to do his very best!		
3	Ava Jarvis	Always putting in a wonderful effort in all learning areas.		
3	Ava Kriss	Always applying herself to her Mathematics learning.		
3	Jade Cordy	Her clear and informative poster on time past the hour.		
3	Morgan Wessels	Her creativity when writing number stories to illustrate the number sentence.		
4	Andrew Ross	Coming up with great ideas for his persuasive writing.		
4	Angus Thin	Being a helpful student who shows initiative.		
5	Savannah Smartt- Wareing	Trying to improve her work by asking lots of questions.		
5	Sasha Degli Esposti	Having a fantastic attitude to her work, always producing her best effort.		
5	Nicholas Heywood	Developing his problem solving skills in Mathematics.		
6	Lila Tangney	Always having a positive attitude to learning and being a caring class member.		
6	Ivor Bowers	His active and enthusiastic contribution to classroom discussion and activities on the topic of earthquakes.		

Waste Wise Update

A reminder that Thursday 17 November is Nude Food Day where students are encouraged to bring rubbish free lunches to school. All participants will receive a scoop of popcorn and will have a chance to be featured in the following newsletter. More information about Nude Food Day can be found on the website <u>http://www.nudefoodday.com.au/about/</u>.



T & E Room

Mr Bennett would love any of the following to use in the T & E Room:

- Small cardboard boxes/ cereal boxes
- Cardboard tubes
- Glossy magazines
- Plastic containers washed margarine / takeaway containers

Items can be left in the office or taken to the T & E Room.

Gifted and Talented Year 7, 2018 application now open.

All students in Year 5 received information regarding the Gifted and Talented Program 2018. Application for the Gifted and Talented Programs must be made online at <u>www.education.wa.edu.au/</u><u>giftedandtalented</u>. Applications close Monday 6 February 2017.

SHARING A HILLS CHRISTMAS

Once again Falls Road Primary, Mrs Taylor's Preprimary, Room 4 Class (with the help of some Year 6 Leaders) will be participating in *Sharing a Hills Christmas*.

This is a great way to teach your children how to show a caring attitude and awareness of others. Items can now be brought into your child's class for daily collection. Please find below a list of suggested donation items. Please note that second hand toys and books must be in good clean condition and <u>no</u> <u>second hand clothing</u> can be accepted.

Sharing a Hills Christmas Suggested items

The following items are appreciated:-

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Christmas Puddings	Bon Bons	Coffee/tea/tea bags	Wrapping Paper
Christmas Cakes	Tinned Meat & Hams	Cool Drinks/cordial	Cellophane
Tinned Vegetables	Cider (non al)	Potato Chips/pretzels/nuts	
Lollies	Tinned Fruit	Pasta	Curling Ribbon
Custard	Cream (long life)	Pasta Sauces	Tinned Biscuits
Fruit Mince Pies	Stuffing	Cereal	Tinned Fish

<u>Gifts</u>

Gifts are required for Adults (e.g. talcum powder, biscuits, chocolates, soaps, tea towels, notepaper etc.), Teenagers (e.g. toiletries, makeup, books, games, CD's etc.) and Children (e.g. toys for various age groups, books, games etc.) Toys need to be new or **very** near new. **Gifts are always needed for adult males and teenage boys.**

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.

P & C NEWS

Carols By Candlelight

Carols by Candlelight will be held on Tuesday 13 December . Forms have been forwarded home with students today.



Quiz Night

A big thank you to all who helped on the night.

Burger Day

The final Burger Day is planned for Friday 18 November. Forms have been forwarded home with students today.

Assistance is required on the day. If you are able to assist, please let the school office know.

Many thanks Trina Thin

Committee Members

The P and C are looking for volunteers to take over roles on the Committee in 2017 These roles are Treasurer, School Banking Co-ordinator and Uniform Shop Co-ordinator.

The current members will be able to shadow these positions to help with transition. If you are interested or have a friend whom you think could job share, please let us know via the Office.

School Banking

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

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open at 8.15am on the following Mondays: 21 November and 5 December. 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



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

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Run Free Kids offers Monthly Workshops and School Holiday Sessions for Children to use their Imaginations, Get Creative, Dream Big, Build Confidence and learn Calming Tools. November 20th they are Launching their new business with a day of bite sized sessions for children aged 5 to 9 to trial. For more details on these Sessions please email <u>ienellealtinier@gmail.com</u> or you can find details on Run Free Kids Facebook and Instagram pages.



Vacswim

Enrolments are open for December/January school holiday swimming lessons. http://www.det.wa.edu.au/curriculumsupport/swimming/detcms/navigation/vacswim/enrolments/

Lesmurdie Primary School Family Fun Day Saturday 19 November, 10.00am - 3.00pm Food * Rides * Face painting * Vintage Cars * Fairy Floss * Laser Tag * Books * Plants * Fashion and much, much more.

