## FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 4, Issue 18 8 November 2017



#### CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## **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 9 November**

 2018 Pre Primary Parent meeting

#### Friday 10 November

- Assembly Room 11
- Poetry Eisteddfod

#### **Monday 13 November**

'Paint Storm' incursion

## **Thursday 16 November**

 Lesmurdie SHS Year 6 transition

## Friday 17 November

 2018 Kindergarten Parent information meeting 9.00am

### **Monday 20 November**

 West Oz Wildlife Incursion Rooms 2,3,4 and 5

#### **Tuesday 21 November**

1st Aid Years 3-6
'Snake Bites'

## **Thursday 23 November**

- Years 5 & 6 Bike Ed excursion
- LSHS Year 6 Parent Information Evening

#### Friday 24 November

- Room 6 Assembly
- Kalamunda SHS Orientation Day

Dear Parents,

## **Moonlight Markets**

Congratulations to the P&C, especially Mrs McCann, for coordinating this massive event and her huge band of helpers for organising and running a very successful and enjoyable Moonlight Markets last Friday. It was an amazing night and presented our school in a wonderful light to the Falls Road locals and the community in general.

Mrs McCann is the first to recognise that this outstanding achievement is impossible without fantastic support, input and hard work from lots of people.

Congratulations to everyone who contributed; parents, staff, students and community members - you know who you are and the contribution you've made.

I believe that the total is edging towards \$30,000 which is a fantastic effort. When the final amount is totalled, we will let you know.

## Arriving on time

As we progress 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.

#### Uniform reminder

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, though there are a few students who are forgetting their hats. We have also been reminding all students about the benefits of putting sunscreen on.

#### **Year 6 Transition Program**

Next Thursday, 16 November, our Year 6 students will be visiting Lesmurdie SHS as part of the transition program for next year. 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.

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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. And, 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.

## **Upcoming Events**

- The Pre Primary Parent information meeting will be held tomorrow in the Moonlight Hall starting at 9.00am. We look forward to seeing you there.
- The Assembly this Friday is hosted by Room 11, Year 2 and the Poetry Eisteddfod Finals are on in the Moonlight Hall starting at 1.20pm in the afternoon.

Everyone is welcome.

#### **Burma Road Crossing**

We have been informed that there will be no Crossing Attendant this Friday.

#### **Student Requirement Lists**

2018 lists have been sent home with all students today and will be available on the website.

Kind regards

David Ingle Principal

## Secondary Schooling Scholarships for 2018 - Now Open For Applications

The Department of Education coordinates a range of student scholarships, grants and prizes to meet some of the costs of secondary schooling. Scholarships for 2018 are now open for applications.

Eligibility criteria and information on how to apply can be found at: <a href="http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/education/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/">http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/</a>. An online submission process is used for lodging most applications. Instructions are available on the website.

While many of the Department's scholarships support upper secondary studies, the two below target a broader range of applicants and I encourage you to consider whether students currently completing Year 6, 7, 8 or 9 this year at your school would be eligible:

James and Rose Coombe Scholarships for rural and remote students. A number of these scholarships are available each year. The funding amount starts at \$1000.

Maud Zervos Education Grants for students with a parent/caregiver who has a disability (a spinal injury with resulting paralysis or a significant limb loss or limb paralysis). A 'rollover clause' in these grants makes funding available for further years of study, subject to satisfactory attendance and progress. The funding amount starts at \$750 in lower secondary and rises to \$1000 for upper secondary studies.

Applications close at 5.30pm Thursday 9 December 2017.

## **School Payments**

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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# DEPUTY NEWS

## **Poetry Eisteddfod**

The Poetry Eisteddfod year level finals will be happening at the end of this week (Friday, 10 November), starting at 1.20pm in the Moonlight Hall. Students have been selected for the finals based on their poetry recitals during class competitions which have been held or will be held by Wednesday of this week. Students will be notified by their class teachers if they have been chosen to compete in the year level finals. Parents are invited to come down and watch the year level finals (see timetable below).

TIME	Year Level		
1.20 – 2.00pm	Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3		
2.15 – 3.00pm	Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6		

#### **Paint Storm**

The 'Paint Storm' show will be visiting Falls Road Primary next Monday, 13 November (see timetable below). Students will get to see a fun, entertaining and educational show based around resilience and 'bouncing back' when things don't go your way. It is a high energy, art show set to music with a great message. Selected students from Year 4 and Year 5 will also get to take part in a workshop after lunch. Parents and carers are welcome to come along and watch.

Show	Classes	Time	
'The Hero's Heart'	P/Room 3, PP/Room 4, Year 1 Mrs Allan, Year 1 Mrs Mutter, Year 2 Mrs McCarthy and Year 2 Mrs Leeming	9.20am – 10.20am	
'Powering Up'	Year 3 Miss Bunter, Year 3/4 Mrs Keeffe, Year 4 Mr Bernardi, Year 5 Mr Winter and Year 6 Mrs Harris/Mrs Burns	10.50am – 12.20pm	

#### Stirk Interschool Athletics Carnival

Lesmurdie

It was a cold and cloudy day for the Stirk Interschool Athletics Carnival, with the threat of rain throughout the day. Thankfully, the rain stayed away and everyone stayed dry. Falls Road PS had a very good day with some excellent team and individual performances. We managed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Championship Shield as well as 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Endeavour Shield, which takes in to account school numbers. Congratulations to Jakob P who was named runner-up Year 5 boy champion. The cheerleading team, under the guidance of Grace and Brooke, also put on a great display. Once again, Falls Road PS displayed excellent sportsmanship and behaviour throughout the day. WELL DONE to all those students who represented Falls Road PS and thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came down to support our team.

Championship Shield			Endea	<b>Endeavour Shield</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gooseberry Hill	474	1 <sup>st</sup>	Kalamunda	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kalamunda	413	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Walliston	

3<sup>rd</sup> Falls Rd Falls Rd 302 4<sup>th</sup> Walliston 278 Maida Vale 5<sup>th</sup> Maida Vale 258 Lesmurdie 6<sup>th</sup>

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Gooseberry Hill

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## Bandanna Day 2017

Thank you to all those students and parents who supported Bandanna Day 2017. The school **raised \$935** for CanTeen to support children and teenagers who are living with cancer. A fantastic effort, which once again highlights the generosity of the Falls Road Primary School community. **WELL DONE!** 

## **Falls Road Primary Book Swap**

The Book Swap Shop is open on a Wednesday afternoon from 3.00pm – 3.15pm.

## What's happening in Term 4

Friday, 10 November – Room 11 Assembly – Poetry Eisteddfod

Monday, 13 November – 'Paint Storm' Incursion

Monday, 20 November - West Oz Wildlife Incursion

Thursday, 23 November – Year 5 / 6 Bike Education Excursion

Friday, 24 November – Room 6 Assembly

Friday, 1 December- Falls Road Spelling Bee

Thursday, 7 December – Year 6 Graduation

Friday, 8 December - Graduation Assembly

Tuesday, 12 December – Sharing a Hills Christmas Assembly

Wednesday, 13 December - School Disco

Thursday, 14 December – 'Falls Road's Got Talent'

Simon Docherty

## **Australian Mathematics Competition Results**

The official results from the Australian Mathematics Competition have been received. This year we had 37 students selected to participate from Years 3 - 6. All students showed a great attitude and perseverance during the sitting of the competition. We commend all students for their participation and hope that they continue to challenge themselves in the future!



There were a few students who performed exceptionally well. They will be presented with their awards at the assembly this Friday 10 November. All other students will be acknowledged for their effort by having their names called out at assembly and will be presented with their awards in class. All students will also receive a breakdown of their

performance to guide their learning for the future.

Mrs Leeming

Australian Mathematics Competition Co-ordinator

#### **Gifted and Talented Programs**

Applications are open for entry into Secondary Selective Entrance Academic, Arts and Languages Programs in Year 7, 9, 10 and 11 in 2019. Visit the Gifted and Talented Programs website for more information.

Gifted and Talented Secondary Academic, Languages and Arts Programs provide a unique and challenging curriculum designed specifically to bring out the very best in gifted children.

These elite programs are available at 18 public secondary schools, and includes a fully selective academic school and an arts college.

Your child will learn alongside like-minded peers and will be taught by teachers with expert skills and knowledge. Your child will be encouraged and supported, and challenged to be the best they can be.

You can apply for these programs no matter where you live in Western Australia and, once selected, your child is guaranteed a place at the school.

Children from the country can apply to study the specially designed online academic program or they can apply to any of our Perth schools or Bunbury Senior High School.

Entry to these elite schools and programs is highly competitive and children are selected though special Gifted and Talented Secondary Program testing. **Apply now for entry in 2019.** 

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## P & C NEWS

## **Recipe Books**

The Falls Road Primary School 'Family Favourites' recipe book is available from the office for \$10.

## Family Movie Day

The P & C have organised a special screening day of 'Ferdinand' on Saturday 9 December, 3.30pm at Midland Ace Cinemas. As before it is limited seats so first in best dressed. Tickets are \$12.50 each and will go on sale from Thursday 16 November outside Room 9 from 8.15am and again in the afternoon at 2.45pm



#### **Entertainment Books are here**

Don't forget to order your Entertainment Book. https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/9g37388.

## **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop will be open on the following days from 8.20am until 8.50am.

#### Term 4 dates:

Monday 20 November

Monday 4 December and Monday 11 December (for Back to School Pick-ups).

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 paid online:

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 by our Treasurer.

### School Banking

School Banking operates every Wednesday morning from 8.15am - 8.40am. New Bankers always welcome! To open an account online, simply go to <a href="https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html">https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html</a>.

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



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## COMMUNITY INFORMATION







No bookings! No term fees! Pay as you go!



## WAAPA Summer School 2017/2018

This summer WAAPA is again offering exciting school holiday courses for students in years 4 to 12. The Summer School includes classes in dance, acting, drama, screen performance, music theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare. For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit <u>WAAPA Summer School</u> or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at <u>g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au</u> or 9370 6775.