



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 2
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Times

8.40am - 3.00pm

Every Tuesday
early close 2.30pm

Recess

10.25am - 10.45am

Lunch

12.30pm - 1.15pm

Dates to Remember

Thursday 13 June

- Poetry Eisteddfod

Friday 14 June

- Stirk Cross Country

Monday 17 June

- School Board Meeting

Tuesday 18 June

- Brilliantly Behaved Kids Party

Wednesday 19 June

- LOTE incursion
- Faction Sausage Sizzle

Friday 21 June

- Room 2 Assembly

Monday 24 June

- Uniform Shop Open
- Semester 1 Reports home

Tuesday 25 June

- Year 6 Leaders speeches for Semester 2

Dear Community

As we enter the extremely wet season of Makuru it has been great to see our landscape reinvigorating itself.

In accordance with our Dress Code policy, I remind you that it **is** acceptable for children to wear raincoats or waterproof jackets to and from school (as we do not provide these in our uniform shop), however these are to be removed during the school day. As a matter of safety, umbrellas are not appropriate during recess and lunch breaks.

What a great fun day it was on 'Change your name day' last week. Some people dressed up and others simply changed their name. The student leaders thank you for your donation to their fundraising.

One of my favourite events in schools is the Cross Country. It is an opportunity for students to dig deep show their resilience and courage in what is not natural for many, and that is to run a long distance on an up and down surface. Congratulations to every participant who represented their faction, and a special acknowledgement to those who shone on the day and won medals. I look forward to hearing how we perform at the upcoming Interschool event.



Blue Faction Cross Country team

As I head off today for surgery and rehabilitation, I thank everyone for their contribution to our school; whether you are an up-front volunteer or simply support your children quietly behind the scenes, it all makes for a wonderful Falls Road PS community.

I wish Simon Docherty and Erin Burns all the best in their leadership of the school in my absence, knowing full well that things will keep ticking along nicely. Best wishes to all.

Attendance

School attendance is extremely important. The Department of Education motto is 'every day counts'. 90% attendance might seem like a good number, however this correlates to missing 1 day per fortnight, that's 20 days per year which could extrapolate to approximately 1.4 years missed from Pre-Primary to Year 6.

Our Falls Road PS statistics for Semester One 2024 are.

99 – 100%	55 students	18.6%
90 – 98%	168 students	56.9%
80 – 89%	55 students	18.6%

70 – 79%	14 students	4.7%
Less than 70%	3 students	1.2%

It is a delicate balance, and we appreciate those families who keep their children home when unwell. If your child finds it a little difficult to get to school, please engage with the classroom teacher to work together for solutions. We also have access to our School Psychologist and other support services who can assist parents and teachers with ideas about encouraging children to school regularly. We would really love to see our 90 – 100% attendance up closer to 90% of our students.

After School Supervision

A reminder to parents that students should be actively supervised after school at all times. Recently, a number of students have been playing games around the teaching blocks after school has finished when teachers are in classrooms working. The same behaviour expectations apply after school as during school time.

Regards

Bruce Fraser
Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Faction Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students that took part in the Faction Cross Country Carnival last Thursday, 6 June. It was a windy, but dry morning and there was a good crowd of parents in attendance to cheer the runners on. Each year level had a girls' and boys' event and there were some great races during the morning. Well done to the Champions and Runner-up Champions along with the 3rd – 5th place getters (see below) who will now be invited to the Stirk Cross Country Carnival to be held this Friday, 14 June at Kalamunda Primary School.

Congratulations to **BLUE** Faction who won the Cross-Country Shield for the second year in a row (See scores below).

BLUE – 1162, GOLD – 1024, RED - 1014

Yr	BOYS					GIRLS				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
1	Kohl	Wesley	Taj	Gabriel	Harry G	Shelby	Madeline	Emily	Isabelle	Lila
2	Isaac	Ethan	William H	Greyson	Tom	Bridget	Darcey B	Darcey T	Zoe	Evelyn
3	Elliot	Samson	Zan	Jack	Liam	Amelie	Indigo	Annabel	Liesel	Fleur
4	Charlie	Antoni	Jacob	Joshua	Jimmy	Bethany	Lara	Ayla	Clodagh	Summer
5	Ethan	Theo	Woody	Kaelan	Daniel	Mia	Olive	Evelyn	Winnie	Imogen
6	Isa	Isaac	Caleb	Rohan	Sebastian	Eloise	Billie	Ariese	Koby	Lily



Poetry Eisteddfod

The Year Level Finals for the Poetry Eisteddfod will be held tomorrow, Thursday, 13 June. The Year 1 – Year 3 Finals will be held from 8.45am – 9.15am and the Year 4 to Year 6 Finals will be from 1.20pm – 1.50pm. There will be a separate final for each year level. Students will have been advised if they are in their year level final. If you are unsure whether your child is in the Poetry Eisteddfod Final for their year level, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Year 4/5 Carnival

All interested students from Year 4 and Year 5 have been invited to take part in the Year 4/5 Soccer and Netball Carnival to be held on Wednesday, 26 June at Maida Vale Reserve in Maida Vale. Students will play games of soccer or netball against teams from Gooseberry Hill PS, Lesmurdie PS, Maida Vale PS and Walliston PS. This carnival is aimed at encouraging participation. Falls Road PS will be represented by a Year 4 and a Year 5 netball team, and a Year 4, a mixed Year 4/5 team and a Year 5 team in the soccer. Parents are welcome to come along and watch with the games starting at 9.30am and finishing by 2.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

P & C Disco

The Falls Road P & C will be hosting a disco in the Moonlight Hall on Thursday, 27 June. The Kindergarten to Year 2 Disco will be from 4.30 – 6.00pm and the Year 3 – Year 6 Disco will be from 6.15 – 8.00pm. There will be glow products available to purchase for \$1 - \$5. More information is in the P&C section of the newsletter. Please note that tickets are only available online.

NAIDOC Week

We will be commemorating NAIDOC Week in the last week of this term with the majority of the activities taking place on Friday, 28 June. Students will participate in a range of activities based around Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture and language. Students are welcome to wear the colours of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flags on this day.

YEAR 4 Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) Assessment

All students in Year 4 will have the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the PEAC Program.

Testing at Falls Road Primary School will happen on Tuesday, 30 July (Week 3 / Term 3).

If you do not wish your child to be included in the PEAC assessment, please notify the school in writing by Friday, 26 July.

Term 2 Events

Poetry Eisteddfod Finals – Thursday, 13 June

Year 5/6 'Talk Money' incursion – Thursday, 13 June and Thursday, 27 June

Stirk Interschool Cross Country – Friday, 14 June

Italian Incursion – Wednesday, 19 June

Room 2 Assembly – Friday, 21 June

Semester 2 Leader Speeches – Tuesday, 25 June

The Year 4 and Year 5 Soccer and Netball Carnival – Wednesday 26 June

P & C Disco – Thursday, 27 June

Kind regards,

Simon Docherty



The winner of the 'Aussie of the Month' award this assembly is **Riley from Year 2, Room 11**. Riley was nominated for always being friendly and helpful to everyone. Riley is always the first person to say hello or offer to help out, whether it is a student or a teacher. Riley has shown the Bounce Back values of responsibility, support and kindness. Congratulations to Riley.



MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates on Friday, 7 June.

Year	Student	Comment for:
PP	Annabelle	Her diligence towards her writing. Incredible job extending your sentences, Annabelle.
PP	Mabel	Her enthusiastic and fun contributions during mat discussions. We love hearing from you, Mabel!
PP	Sofia	Her marvelous knowledge of onset rime, consonant, vowel, consonant blending and segmenting. Well done!
PP	Jensen	Becoming a more independent worker who is putting more care and effort into his work. Well done!
1	Isabelle	Always persevering on learning tasks to ensure she completes them to the best of her ability.
1	Charlotte	Being more positive and completing tasks with improved motivation and care.
2	Isabel	Your interesting version of Goldilocks and the 3 Turtles. You worked hard to add vocabulary and improve your spelling.
2	Jordy	Your outstanding results during our fractions unit. You worked hard to learn new concepts.
2	Darcey	Completing all tasks to a high standard. You give every activity 100% and your achievements reflect this.
2	Ethan	The improvement in your reading and comprehension. You are applying yourself more to reading tasks and it's amazing to see.

3	Noah	Great result in his fractions of shapes and collections assessment. Super work!
3	Indigo	Her wonderful effort and positive self-reflection over the past several weeks. It's great to see your confidence grow, Indigo!
3	Oliver	His enthusiastic contributions to all class discussions. Your ideas are a valued addition to our learning.
3	Ruby	Her dedication towards her learning across all areas. You are always striving to achieve your best. What a Star!
4	Matilda	Showing an improvement in her focus and concentration on her school work.
4	Remi	Her high levels of achievement in reading and writing.
4	Lawson	Significant improvement in your use of the Talk4Writing process to develop your information report about 'smelfs'.
5	Sophie	Consistently completing all spelling activities, including accurate segmenting, leading to very good growth in your content reviews.
5	Corbin	The time and effort you put into a great Powerpoint presentation on the Solar System.
6	Isa	Consistently utilising 'Show, don't tell' in your writing to help build tension.
6	Rohan	Demonstrating fantastic academic growth in Mathematics, particularly in Number and Algebra. Keep up the great work!
6	Coen	His enthusiastic contribution to our class assembly. Coen has shared constructive ideas and developed his character role wonderfully.



The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get the things you need for your kids.

\$150

For each Kindergarten and primary school student

\$250

For each secondary school student

To help ease cost-of-living pressures on families with school-aged children, the State Government is offering the WA Student Assistance Payment.

This payment is to help you get the things you need for your kids. From new school shoes, backpacks and sports equipment to uniforms, healthy meals, school excursions and more.

Get ready to claim

Download the ServiceWA app to your mobile device. Available from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

Locate the student's 8-digit WA student number (WASN). You'll find it on:

- school reports
- previous NAPLAN results
- secondary student's SmartRider

If you have trouble locating the number, contact your school for assistance.

Claims open Monday 15 April

For more information about the WA Student Assistance Payment and how to claim, go to education.wa.edu.au/wasap

Claim on the ServiceWA app



P & C

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open from 8.20am - 8.50am on Monday, June 24

Orders can be placed online using <http://www.fallsroadpandc.org.au/>. If you place an order online, you will receive an email notifying that the items are available for collection from the office. **Please check your junk mail for notifications.**

Need to contact us?

Falls Road P&C Email address is fallsroadparents@gmail.com

Did you know Falls Road Primary School P&C is on Facebook - join us at

<https://www.facebook.com/fallsroadprimaryschool>



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JUNIOR DISCO (K - YR 2) - 4:30 - 6:00PM
SENIOR DISCO (YR3 - YR 6) - 6:15PM - 8:00PM

Wrist bands will be delivered to your child on the day of the disco. This will be their ticket for entry.
Parents are required to stay for the Junior Disco.
Senior Disco attendees can be dropped off but must be collected from the Moonlight Hall by an adult at 8pm.

If your child is absent you can:

email fallsroad.ps@education.wa.edu.au

complete the online form <http://www.fallsroadps.wa.edu.au>

sms:0437 705 698 (please give a reason for absence) or phone 9291 2150

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Kalamunda Out of School Centre

Before and After School care
Vacation Care



Scan the QR code for more information
Or Email Kosc@bigpond.net.au




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For information on the City of Kalamunda July School Holiday Junior Programs got to the following link:

[Sports & Recreation | City of Kalamunda](#)



DARLING RANGE
SPORTS COLLEGE

Are you a Year 6 student in 2024?
Darling Range Sports College is the only sports specialist school in Western Australia. Students who currently participate in any of the following sports at club level are welcome to trial for possible enrolment at in 2025.

Trials for our high-performance sports programs are being held on the following dates:

Tuesday 4 June 2024: 3.00 – 3.30pm
Swimming

Wednesday 5 June 2024: 12.30 – 1.30pm
AFL
Baseball
Netball
Triathlon

Wednesday 5 June 2024: 2.00 – 3.00pm
Athletics
Basketball
Rugby
Soccer

Please contact us for further details

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Dare to Dream

AGES 10-16 welcome



After School Program and Murdoch Outreach School Holiday Sessions

10-12 July 2024



**Come and join us for an
engaging STEM program
this school holiday!**

Get involved with our three school holiday sessions in the areas of Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics.

Students will meet at **450.3.001 (Building 450)** on the morning.

Price per student
\$70 per single day
\$130 for 2 days
\$185 for all 3 days

Wednesday 10 July 2024
Physics

Thursday 11 July 2024
Chemistry

Friday 12 July 2024
Mathematics

10:00am – 3:15pm
AM – After School Program Session
PM – Outreach Hands-on Workshop

Places are limited!
Registrations open until 23rd June

To register your interest, please contact
AfterSchoolProgram@murdoch.edu.au

CRCOS Code: 0025J | 18254 Provider ID: F6V12153 (Australian University)

Kalamunda Rostrum Speaking Club

Monday June 17

6:30pm to 7:45pm
Seminar Room A
Zig Zag Cultural Centre
50 Railway Rd Kalamunda

Develop Confidence in Speaking

You are invited to visit a **dynamic first** meeting as other Rostrum members demonstrate what happens at a Rostrum meeting.
Arrive early for a seat! See the leaflet nearby for more information.

Ring or text Mary on 0429 497 957
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