

FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 3
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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

Friday 2 August

- Robotics Showcase @ KSHS
- Athletics Practice

Monday 5 August

Uniform Shop open 8.20am

Thursday 8 August

WAGSMS
 Rehearsal and
 Concert

Friday 9 August

- Room 1 Assembly
- Bibbulmun Italian excursion
- Athletics Practice

Monday 12 August

- Science Week
- Bullying—No Way Week of Action

Friday 16 August

- Ouiz Night
- Athletics Practice

Monday 19 August

- Book Week
- Uniform Shop open

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

It's hard to believe, but we are already into Week 3 of the term. We have lots going on in Term 3 and Falls Road students are being kept extremely busy.

In staffing news, Miss Perera will be going on Parental Leave from the beginning of Week 7. Mrs Karen Reinsma will be replacing Miss Perera on a fixed-term 12-month contract while Miss Perera is away. Mrs Reinsma previously taught at Falls Road Primary in the Pre-Primary classes for 5 years up until 2016. She comes to us with a wealth of experience and we're looking forward to having her back at Falls Road. She will do a handover with Miss Perera prior to starting. We wish Miss Perera well and look forward to welcoming the new addition to the Falls Road family.

Indigenous-themed Interschool Shirts

This week, we received our new Indigenous-themed shirts that we will wear on educational and sporting excursions. They incorporate an Indigenous design depicting Lesmurdie Falls (a design commissioned by the Falls Road P&C) along with the school colour, Jade (see picture below). We're sure they will really stand out on excursions outside the school. These shirts were funded by the Falls Road P&C.



Bibbulmun Robotics Showcase

This event is happening at Kalamunda Senior High School this Friday, 2 August and will be held in their gymnasium and school library. Ms Johnston and Mrs Burns will attend along with a team of Year 4 and Year 6 students who will take part in a range of robotics and coding challenges along with other schools in the Bibbulmun Schools Education Network. Students have been fine-tuning their skills in using Spheros and EV3 Mindstorm robots to solve challenges in both after school and in-school skills sessions. We wish them all the best and are sure they will have a great day.

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WA Government Schools Music Society Concert

Next Thursday, 8 August, the Senior Choir (Year 4 -Year 6) will be performing a 'Shrek Medley' at the WA Government Schools Music Society Concert which will be held at the Crown Theatre in the Burswood complex. Students will catch a bus from school to take part in a rehearsal during the day, before returning to school. The performance will take place in the evening from 6.30pm and parents are responsible for

getting students to and from this event. Parents will need to meet Ms Johnston at a meeting point inside the Crown Theatre. Information will be emailed home to parents of participating students.

Choir Request

The Choir would like to borrow any Shrek character costumes or accessories for their upcoming performance. Items can be left in the office or taken to Ms Johnston in the Music room.



Bibbulmun Italian Day

A number of our Year 6 students along with Mrs Schubert and our Italian Language Assistant, Miss Verdinelli will be taking part in the Bibbulmun Network 'Italian Day' at Lesmurdie Senior High School next Friday, 9 August. They will take part in a range of Italian language and cultural experiences along with Lesmurdie high school students and primary students from Lesmurdie and Walliston Primary Schools. This will be a great opportunity for them to collaborate with students from other schools and develop their intercultural understandings and creative and linguistic skills. Students taking part will have received information through Consent2Go.

'Bullying - No Way' Week of Action

During Week 5, classes will take part in a range of activities from the 'Bullying – No Way' on-line resources. There are a range of evidence-informed resources and activities designed for a proactive approach to bullying prevention and education. Some of our Year 6 students will also provide some information over the school PA system on support strategies and how we can help educate students on bullying prevention.

Science Week - Species Survival - More than just sustainability

Week 5 is also Science Week across Australia. During this week, Mrs Burns will set up a range of activities and displays in the STEM Room that students can go and explore during lunch time. There will be opportunities for the Junior Primary students and Middle and Upper Primary students to take part in these activities.

Mobile Phones and Smart-Watches

A reminder that Mobile phones and other electronic items must be left in the office during the day. Students are able to drop them off in the morning where they are put in a labelled bag and they can then pick them up in the afternoon. If a student is wearing a Smart watch, they must be put on school settings during the day or hand it into the office in the morning. We appreciate your cooperation and support with this.

Name Tags on Clothing and Personal Items

A reminder to parents 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 any mislaid property items and return them to students. Lost property items can be found in a container located near the staffroom and parents are advised to check it for any missing items. We currently have a large number of items (especially jumpers) in the container.

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Australian Maths Competition

Next Wednesday, 7 August, selected students from Year 3 – Year 6 will take part in the Australian Maths Competition.

The Year 5/6 students will do their on-line assessment at 9.00am and the Year 3/4 students will have their assessment at 10.50am.

Mrs Leeming will supervise the students as they take part in this competition. Good luck to all participants.

Uniforms

Thank you to parents and students for ensuring that you are in the correct school uniform each day, even with some particularly wet and cold mornings. Students are welcome to wear coats and raincoats before and after school, but during school hours, students are to wear their school uniforms. If students bring umbrellas to school, these are again for use in getting to and from school, as they are not required during the day.

Kaartdijin

From the beginning of Week 4 (Monday, 5 August), Falls Road Primary is moving to a new information management system called Kaartdijin.

As part of this Kaartdijin program, we will have a new SMS messaging system for alerting parents to student absences from school. See the attachment with this email for more information.

Kind regards,

Simon Docherty A/Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Pyjama Day

Teachers and students loved the chance to be extra snuggy in their Pj's in Week 1, in recognition of National Pyjama Day. We raised a total of \$287.80 from the gold coin donations we received from everyone who participated. These funds will go towards helping children in Foster Care.



Room 4 having fun in their PJ's.

Athletics Practice

Students have continued with their athletics faction practice each Friday in preparation for our Athletics Carnival in Week 8. Each faction will have the chance to rotate through practice sessions for team games, jumps and throws and running events. The students have also been enjoying the opportunity to shout out team chants lead by their Faction Captains at the end of each practice session. There has also been lots of chatter about the Olympic games during practice and it is great to see the students inspired by the achievements of our Aussie athletes.

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Year 4 Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) Testing

The Year 4 students have challenged their minds in the PEAC testing this week. All participating students completed two tests that focused on the skills of verbal and mathematical reasoning. Students should feel proud of giving it a go and persisting with new and different thinking skills.

Term 3 is certainly a busy one, here are some of the up & coming events

Bibbulmun STEM Robotics Showcase - Friday, 2 August

WAGSM Choir Rehearsal and Performance- Thursday, 8 August

Room 1 Assembly - Friday, 9 August

Bibbulmun Network Italian Day Year 6 - Friday 9 August

Science Week & Bullying - No Way Week - Monday 12 August - Friday 16 August

Book Week - Monday, 19 August - Friday 23 August

Book Week Parade - Wednesday, 21 August

Room 3 Assembly - Friday, 23 August

Book Fair- Wednesday, 28 August - Wednesday, 4 September

Parent Open Night – Thursday, 29 August

Father's Day Stall- Friday 30 August

Athletics Jumps and Throws - Monday, 2 September - Thursday, 5 September

Athletics Carnival - Friday, 6 September

RUOK Day- Thursday, 12 September

Room 11 Assembly - Friday, 13 September

Year 6 Camp – Tuesday, 17 September – Friday, 20 September

Year 5 Hockey Carnival - Wednesday, 18 September

Erin Burns

Acting Deputy Principal



The winner of the 'Aussie of the Month' award for this week is **Zion** from **Room 4**, **Pre-primary**. **Zion** was nominated for helping teachers and other students at 100s club . **Zion** has shown the Bounce Back values of responsibility, support and kindness. Congratulations to **Zion**.



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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MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates at the assembly on Friday 26 July, 2024

Year	Student	Comment for:
PP	Alfie	His persistence and focus when working on his sounds. Well done, Alfie.
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PP	William	His positive attitude towards his learning. Keep it up, William!
PP	Aliyah	Always working to the best of her ability and giving things a go.
PP	Finnian	Putting in 100% effort when working at all table activities, and his amazing drawing of a chameleon.
1	Taj	Being a friendly and helpful student towards all class members.
1	Lila	Always concentrating on learning tasks and trying her best.
1	Shelby	Her growing confidence in sharing her thoughts and ideas during class discussions. You are a superstar!
2	Kyrie	Your deeper understanding when posing open and closed questions to collect specific data.
2	Sadie	Challenging yourself to share your ideas during whole class discussions. Your contributions are fantastic!
2	Fynn	The extra effort you put into writing your holiday recount! You impressed me with exclamation marks and vocabulary.
3	Morgan	Being a wonderful all round student who tries his best without taking short cuts. Morgan enjoys a challenge and shows persistence until the end.
3	Thomas	His keenness to share his general knowledge and for being confident to share his wonderful sizzling starts out loud in class.
3	Lily	The kindness and empathy you show to your peers. You are a very thoughtful member of our class.
4	Theodore	Improving by two levels in his Lexile reading since the beginning of the year. Well done, Theo!
4	Alexander	Always showing a positive attitude towards all areas of his learning.
4	Heiko	His excellent listening skills and his thoughtful participation in class discussions.
5	Charlie	Significant improvement in your participation in Maths discussions leading to greater understanding of multiplication.
5	Olivia	Consistently participating positively in Health Games, no matter which group you are in, or the size of the challenge.
5	Imogen	Your hard work and focus in all learning areas, it is great to see you challenge yourself.
6	Nate	Your participation during class discussions. Particularly in maths. It is great listening to your understanding.
6	Isabella	Her positive attitude and preparedness to tackle all tasks regardless of difficulty.
6	Bailey	Showing a more focussed and consistent effort in completing all work tasks. Keep it up!
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School Watch is a partnership between the WA Police and the Department of Education to help protect public schools from vandalism, theft and damage.

Every year, criminal damage to schools not only costs Western Australian taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars, but also inconveniences students, their families, teachers and local residents.

While we work closely with WA Police to minimise crime at school premises, you can help too. With more than 650 public schools involved in the School Watch program, the community's role is vital, particularly after school hours and during school holidays.

Most importantly, if you live near a public school and see or hear suspicious behaviour immediately contact School Watch Security or the police.

WHO TO CONTACT

Either call:

- ⇒ School Watch Security on 1800 177 777
- ⇒ WA Police on <u>131 444</u>.

When you contact School Watch Security, Department security officers can quickly attend schools in the metropolitan area. The police will attend if called.



Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open from 8.20am - 8.50am on the following Mondays this term:

5 and 19 August, 2 and 16 September.

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

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION



WEDNESDAY YOUTH SCREEN ACTING | 10-14 YEARS

Due to popular demand, we are excited to launch our Wednesday Youth Screen Acting classes in Kalamunda!

Weekly classes will dive into auditions, playing to your strengths, working with scripts, using your voice and body to create memorable characters, acting on camera and more! Using techniques employed by professional actors globally.

We run classes in alignment with the school term. Each term is different, so students are welcome to re-enrol each term. After all, casting directors and agents LOVE actors who are training regularly.

info@amaactorsstudio.com

https://www.amaactorsstudio.com/thehillswednesday-youth-10-14yrs



Kalamunda Rangers

We will be holding a come-and-try day on **10 August 9.00am—1.00pm** at Maida Vale Reserve. More info can be found <u>here</u>









