



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 4
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9 October 2024

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

Friday 11 October

- Lesmurdie Le Mans

Friday 18 October

- Excellence Assembly

Monday 21 October

- Uniform Shop
- P&C Meeting

Wednesday 23 Oct

- 2025 Kindy Parent Meeting
- Pillowcase Project

Thursday 24 Oct

- 2025 Pre-primary Parent Meeting
- Bandanna Day

Friday 25 October

- Room 4 Assembly
- World Teachers' Day

Thursday 31 Oct

- Brownes Dairy Excursion - Rooms 10,11 and 12

Friday 1 November

- Stirk Interschool Athletics Carnival

Dear Parents

Welcome back to a very exciting term ahead. As always, it will be packed full of fun learning activities as we head towards our big summer break. In particular our Year 6 students are finishing their final year of primary school and with this comes the excitement of graduation events. It was fantastic to be a part of their recent camp. The activities were amazing, the food was delicious and everyone had such a fun time. A special thank you to the staff who gave up their own family time to attend camp but just as importantly to all the Year 6s who showed how well they dealt with the challenges of living away from home for a few days. All the staff who attended were very proud of each of their personal achievements.



At the end of every year we review all of our planning and reflect on the successes, challenges and things we may need to make changes to. In the next 2 weeks I will be sending out a short survey asking for your feedback on our reporting of student performance to parents and carers. I look forward to seeing your responses but beyond this survey please send me or your child's teacher any feedback that may help guide future planning at Falls Road PS. I have provided the link below for any of our community members who may wish to send a supportive message to show their appreciation of the staff at Falls Road PS. The staff have very much appreciated the messages received so far.

[Staff recognition form](#)

I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our community who are involved with the P&C. Ashlee leads a remarkable team of people who behind the scenes work tirelessly to make so many events happen at our school. We are very grateful to you all. I know the committee are always looking for volunteers to help plan and drive the events, so please let the school know if you can help.

Have a wonderful start to term 4.

Kind regards,
Dan Watt

DEPUTY NEWS

Welcome back to what promises to be another busy term at Falls Road Primary School. This term we have our Interschool Athletics Carnival as well as a number of other events including a number of class and year level excursions. This is also the last term of primary school for our Year 6 students, and they have lots of things to look forward to including the Lesmurdie Le Mans go-kart races and their Year 6 Graduation in particular. I look forward to keeping you up to date on the different events taking place across the school throughout the term.

Year 5 Hockey Carnival



Falls Road was represented by a girls' and a boys' team at the Year 5 Stirk Hockey Carnival on Wednesday of the last week of Term 3. Lots of the students hadn't played hockey before and this was a great opportunity for them to take part in a fun carnival with 'on-field' coaches helping them learn how to play hockey. Students had a great time, with the girls' team doing particularly well and making the final where they lost narrowly to Walliston PS. This was the only game that they lost for the entire day. The boys also enjoyed themselves and picked up some great skills along the way. Our thanks to the Kalamunda Districts Hockey Association and Richard Guthrie for organising the carnival and Mr Carter for supervising the boys' team.

'Lesmurdie Le Mans' go-kart races

During Term 3, the Year 6 students were busy designing and building their go-karts (along with lots of dads, mums, grandparents and other helpers) in preparation for the annual 'Lesmurdie Le Mans' race day. This Friday, they will race these go-karts in competition against Year 6 students from Lesmurdie, Kalamunda and Walliston Primary Schools for the coveted 'Lesmurdie Le Mans' trophy. These races will take place this Friday, 11 October and will be coordinated by Mr Bennett, who has again kindly volunteered his time.

The Le Mans races will take place in the Burma Road car park opposite the front of the school from 12.30 – 2.30pm. **This car park will be closed from 9.30am – 2.45pm this Friday 11 October.** It will re-open in time for the end of the school day. Parents are welcome to come along and watch the races.

Excellence Assembly

The Excellence Assembly that was scheduled for this Friday, 11 October has been re-scheduled to Friday of Week 2 (Friday, 18 October). Parents of students who are presenting at this assembly will be notified by class teachers. All parents are invited to come along.

Stirk Athletics Carnival and Training

The Stirk Interschool Athletics Carnival will take place on **Friday, 1 November (Friday/Week 4) at Gooseberry Hill Primary School** on Ledger Road in Gooseberry Hill. The long distance, jumping and throwing events take place in the morning and the sprints, team games and relays will happen after lunch. **The Stirk Athletics Carnival is for selected students from Year 2 – Year 6.**

The individual participants for the Interschool Carnival are chosen from the place getters in order from the Faction Carnival. This is as follows:

- Long Distance – 1st place getter for girls and boys race for Year 3 – Year 6 (+ 1 reserve)
- Jumps and Throws – 1st and 2nd for girls and boys from Year 3 – Year 6 (+ 1 reserve)
- Sprint Events – 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th for girls and boys for Year 2 – Year 6 (A – D Division)

If the selected student is unable to participate at the carnival, they will be replaced by the reserve (the next placed student from the Faction Carnival).

The Year 4 – Year 6 leader ball team participants are chosen through training at school and will include those students chosen for individual events plus other students as required.

The Year 2 / 3 flag race teams are chosen from the sprint place getters (1st – 4th) for Year 2 and the sprint place getters from the Faction Carnival plus 4 other boys and girls for the Year 3 boys' / girls' teams.

A training schedule for practising the jumping, throwing, running and relays will be sent out by the end of this week and will start next Monday, 14 October. Students only need to attend training for the events they have been chosen for.

Term 3 events

Lesmurdie Le Mans go-kart races – Friday, 11 October

Excellence Assembly – Friday, 18 October

Room 4 Assembly – Friday, 25 October

Brownes Dairy Excursion (Rooms 10, 11 & 12) – Thursday, 31 October

Stirk Athletics Carnival – Friday, 1 November

Kindergarten Nativity Play – Thursday 7 (Blue Group) and Friday 8 November (Green Group)

SAS Museum Excursion (Year 6) – Wednesday, 13 November

Year 5 Bike Safety excursion – Friday, 15 November

WA Museum Excursion (Rooms 1 and 2) – Friday, 15 November

Room 12 Assembly – Friday, 22 November

Instrumental Music Assembly – Friday, 29 November

Year 6 Graduation – Wednesday, 4 December

Graduation Assembly – Thursday, 5 December

Spelling Bee Finals – Friday, 6 December

Kind regards

Simon Docherty

If your child is absent you can:

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

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

(please give a reason for absence) or phone 9291 2150

Year 6 Camp

In the last week of Term 3, the Year 6 students had a blast on their Year 6 camp at Fairbridge Camp School in Pinjarra. They enjoyed spending time together in a different environment and developing some new skills on the high ropes course, doing mountain bike riding, archery, orienteering, packing camping packs for bushwalking and cooking their own yummy damper on the camp fire and eating it. This year was the first time we had a go at canoeing. It was a big hit with the students and loads of fun though some walked away a bit muddy and wet!

Evening activities included marshmallow cooking and campfire stories with Mr Bennett, a game of 'spotlight', a fashion runway show (in outfits constructed from alfoil, newspaper, tape and rubbish bags) and a movie night. The students were beautifully behaved and enjoyed plenty of down time hanging out with their school friends and class-mates. It was a great opportunity for them to develop some of their independence skills and enjoy spending some quality time together as a cohort before transitioning to High School.

A big thank you to Mrs Burns, Miss Ferguson, Mrs Clark, Ms Johnston, Mr Bennett, Mr Docherty, Mr Watt and Mrs Martin for the time and effort they put into helping organise and run the camp and make the experience safe, memorable and fun for the students.



P & C

Uniform Shop

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

21 October

4 and 18 November

2 December

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>



COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Venue: Jack Healey Centre
21 Mead St, Kalamunda (next door to Dome Cafe)

Creative Art Activities for Kids 6 to 14 years

2024 Term 4
Enrollments: Thursday 10th Oct, 4pm to 5pm
Starts: Thursday 17th Oct 4pm to 6pm

Hooked on Hessian
The fun textile art of rug hooking... create wall hangings, rugs or cushions with a variety of colours and textures that will bring your designs to life.

Painting & Drawing
Develop skills moving creative ideas to paper with a variety of techniques; oil, pen, crayon, pastels and water color...

All materials provided

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Kalamunda Sing presents

Make a little music.....

A celebration of voice

with guest Pianist Nicholas Williams
WAAPA Baritone Sam Claxton
WAAPA Soprano Sarah Ganon

\$10 on the door
Sumptuous afternoon tea included

OCTOBER

SUN **27** 2 PM

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KALAMUNDA UNITING CHURCH
HEATH ROAD, KALAMUNDA



FEED IT FORWARD @ LBC
LES MURDIE BAPTIST CHURCH: 1 VARLEY ST, LES MURDIE

OPEN WEDNESDAYS
11AM - 2PM
[DURING SCHOOL TERM]

FEED IT FORWARD RESCUES SURPLUS FOOD AND DISTRIBUTES IT TO THOSE IN NEED. ALL WELCOME.

A PHOTO WILL BE POSTED TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE EACH WEDNESDAY SHOWING WHAT IS AVAILABLE
[FB.COM/LES MURDIE BAPTIST CHURCH](https://www.facebook.com/lesmurdiebaptistchurch)

