



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 2
ISSUE 6

17 April
2024

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

16 - 19 April

- School Photos

Friday 19 April

- Assembly with Lesmurdie SHS performance
- Term 1 Good Standing Reward Day

Monday 22 April

- Uniform Shop

Tuesday 23 April

- Whole School photo 8.45am

Thursday 25 April

- ANZAC Day - students do not attend

Friday 26 April

- ANZAC Service 11.45am

Monday 29 April

- Uniform Shop

Friday 3 May

- Assembly Room 5

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back

I hope that everyone had a restful or exciting break from school life over the past fortnight. We move into Term 2 with thoughts of swimming lessons, cross-country running, winter sports carnivals and the continuation of our fantastic classroom and specialist class programs.

We have several new adult faces in our school this term. I welcome Marie Otty (Room 7), Jaxon Mallard (Room 11), Gabby Calvezzi (Room 1) and Vanessa Dereki (Kindy) all undertaking long term teaching experiences.

We also welcome back Alex Rankin, our School Psychologist.

At Regional level we have farewelled Cheryl Townsend as our Director, and welcome Sue Cuneo. Sue has been a Director in the South-West region for several years.

Uniforms

Soon the weather will start to cool down. I remind everyone that our expectation is that all students are in school uniform.

Please ensure the winter clothing requirements are followed.

Wear the school uniform long sleeve polo tops, zip jackets or Leavers jackets and navy track pants.

Wear blue or navy stockings or leggings **under** the school dress, shorts or skorts.

Label clothing with the student's name, especially jackets.

Of course, for those who do not feel the cold very much, please continue to wear our school uniform as expected, including Faction shirts on 'Physical Education days and Faction shirt Fridays'.

ANZAC Service

Our ANZAC Service this year will commence at 11:45 am on Friday, 26 April in the Moonlight Hall. All community members are welcome to attend.

We ask that students wear their regular school uniform **excluding faction t-shirts**. Year 6s are permitted to wear their leavers shirts. Children who are members of a service group e.g., cubs, brownies etc... are asked to wear their organisation's uniform.

There may be families who have considered taking an extended long weekend over the ANZAC period. However, we highly value the ANZAC Service at Falls Road Primary School and encourage all children who are in the choir and fulfilling roles on the day (and all others) to be in attendance. If there are plans to be absent, please ensure that classroom teachers are informed. Our regular education program will be running across the rest of the day.

Teachers' Union Action

Hopefully everyone received my letter relating to the State School Teachers'

Union directive for its members to attend a stop work meeting next Tuesday, 23 April. **Falls Road Primary School will be open** all day and our regular teaching program will only be slightly impacted.

Student Health

With the flu season approaching we encourage everyone to get their vaccinations and to stay at home if you have any symptoms. Being off school for several days has an impact on learning but being off for a couple of weeks and having half the class out is even more problematic. Please help prevent the spread by following good hygiene practices, and staying home when unwell. Thank you to everyone for supporting this throughout Term 2.

Bruce Fraser

Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Welcome back to another busy term at Falls Road.

Assembly – Friday, 19 April

We have an assembly this Friday starting at 8.45am. This assembly will be hosted by the School Leaders and will feature some students from Lesmurdie SHS performing for us. We look forward to seeing you there.

Faction Cross Country

The Faction Cross Country will be taking place later this term on Thursday, 6 May. During 100s Club starting from Week 2, the students in Years 1 – 6 will be able to practise on the Junior Cross Country Course in preparation for this event. Each lap of the Junior Cross Country Course will be the equivalent of 2 laps of the oval.

Term 1 Good Standing Reward - Please note change of date

All students in Years 4 – 6 are invited to take part in our Term 1 Good Standing Reward which is happening **this Friday afternoon from 2 – 3pm** on the school oval. Students will take part in a range of water activities.

Students will need to come to school with:

- their bathers underneath their school uniform
- a rashie or shirt to wear that they are able to get wet,
- A towel, sunscreen and a pair of thongs or slip on sandals to wear.

A reminder to parents that any equipment sent into school with students for the water activities (goggles, towels etc...) needs to be clearly marked with the students' name.

We're looking forward to a fun afternoon.

Easter Hat Parade

We held our annual Easter Hat Parade on the last day of Term 1. Students enjoyed parading around to music and showing off their wonderful Easter Hat creations to the large crowd of parents and



grandparents in attendance. The P & C also held their Easter raffle with lots of different families winning prizes.

In-term Swimming Lessons

Our in-term swimming lessons are taking place in Weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2. This year we will be doing lessons in 2 x 5-day blocks with classes doing a double lesson each day. 6 of the classes will do their lessons in Week 4 and the other 5 classes will do their lessons in Week 5 (see timetable attached with this newsletter). Doing the lessons in this way has reduced the cost of the in-term swimming lessons.

If you have not yet done so, please provide permission via Consent2Go. Each student participating must have an individual **Swimming Lesson Nomination Form** and these can be returned to the office. The lesson supervisor at Belmont Oasis needs these forms in order to make up the different swimming lesson groups.

School Psychologist

We are very pleased to welcome back Alexandra Rankin as our School Psychologist at Falls Road Primary. Alex has a great depth of knowledge around student support, classroom management and engagement strategies and is a wonderful resource for our teachers and school.

Alex will be at Falls Road Primary each Wednesday.

School Psychologist Process

If parents have any academic, behavioural or social concerns about their child, please follow the process outlined below:

1. Discuss concerns with teacher – they may already have strategies in place
2. If required, the class teacher will fill out a School Psychologist referral and speak to the Deputy Principal about these concerns.
3. Deputy Principal discusses referral with School Psychologist and Class Teacher, and if required, arranges a case conference with parent, teacher and School Psychologist.
4. Decide on agreed Plan of Action (eg. observations, teacher consultation, testing etc...)
5. Carry out Action Plan

Deputy reviews Action Plan throughout the year in consultation with parent, teacher and School Psychologist

Alex has a number of students reviews scheduled to start Term 2.

Term 2

We have lots of things to look forward to in Term 2 including:

- The ANZAC Day service on Friday, 26 April at 11.45am
- Room 5, Room 8 and Room 10 assemblies
- In-term swimming lessons in Weeks 4 and 5
- The Dockers (football) and Fever (netball) Cups for our Year 6 students
- The Faction Cross Country
- The Poetry Eisteddfod
- The Stirk Interschool Cross Country
- An Italian Incursion, and
- The Year 4 and Year 5 Soccer and Netball Carnival

Kind regards,

Simon Docherty

P & C

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open from 8.20am - 8.50am on the following **Mondays** in Term 2:

April 22 and 29

Open days will then be every fortnight starting:

May 13 and 27

June 10 and 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>



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Beginner's Brush Pen
FOR KIDS

28 April 10am-12pm
Gooseberry Hill

8 Yrs & up
\$50 -includes take home materials

It's art, not writing!!

Learn basic calligraphy skills in a fun, relaxed space, just in time for Mother's Day!

Pssstttt- Neat handwriting not required (you should see mine,...YIKES!!!)

Jocelyn Hobbs
ARTIST

MOORE INFO

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<https://jocelynhobbsartist.square.site>

Department of Education

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

THE ZIG ZAG EARLY YEARS PARTNERSHIP PRESENT

POP-UP PLAY

**Did you know?
Children learn best through play!**
Come along to a free, fun-filled Pop Up Play near you!
For children aged 0 - 5, parents, carers and grandparents.
BYO hat, picnic blanket, morning tea and water!

FEATURING:

- Sensory Play activities
- Arts and Crafts
- Storytime by Kalamunda Libraries
- Playground on site!
- Toilets on Site

Stirk Park
Wednesday 15 May 2024
9:30am - 11:00am
Elizabeth St, Kalamunda

FREE

Want more information?
P 9257 9867
E youth@kalamunda.wa.gov.au
Facebook - @ZZEYP

Zig Zag Early Years Partnership City of Kalamunda

After School ARTS

CREATIVE FUN FOR KIDS

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

*Creative Art Activities
for Kids 6 to 14 years*

2024 Term 2
Enrollments: Thursday 2nd May 4pm to 5pm
Starts: Thursday 9th May 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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JOHN FORREST
Secondary College
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Does your child have a **PASSION** for **CRICKET, NETBALL OR TENNIS** and want to develop their skills?

Our **SPECIALIST PROGRAMS** give students the opportunity to be part of an exciting program in their chosen sport under the guidance of professional coaches

Trial Dates (for Year 7, 2025):

Cricket	Already held
Tennis	Date: Thursday 30 th May 2024 Time: 3:30pm Venue: John Forrest Secondary College
Netball	Date: Wednesday 1 st May & Wednesday 8 th May 2024 Time: 8:45am - 10:30am Venue: Morley Sport and Recreation Centre

Register your interest by phoning 9473 4000 or emailing JohnForrest.SC.SpecialistPrograms@education.wa.edu.au

**Exciting opportunity • All ages • Regular competitions
Teamwork and Leadership skills**

MU Murdoch University

After School Program in Mathematics and Physical Sciences

for students age 10 and up

Physics Primer

- Mondays 4:30 - 6:30pm
- \$225 per student each term

Students perform calculations to solve problems of motion, including gravity and then other forces in the universe. Students may also train for the Australian Science Olympiads in for Physics and/or the Open Universities Australia units *General Physics* and/or *Principles of Physics*.

Chemistry Primer

- Thursdays 4:30 - 6:30pm
- \$225 per student each term

Students perform calculations to learn about atoms, molecules, elements and compounds and progress to calculations in topics such as gases, specific heat and chemical solutions. Students may also train for the Australian Science Olympiads in for Chemistry and/or the Open Universities Australia unit *Fundamentals of Chemistry*.

Mathematics Primer

- Fridays 4:30 - 6:30pm
- \$225 per student each term

Students consolidate their Arithmetic and will be introduced to Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry followed by Calculus and other areas when required. Mathematical topics are taught at each student's pace and students learn mathematical conventions and techniques.

All sessions are at Murdoch University, South Street Campus, Building 450, Floor 3, Room 001. Parking available in carpark 4. Sessions are tailored to each individual student and students may begin at any time during the term. Refund will only be given if course is cancelled by our Program. Sessions commence the second week of each school term and do not run on public holidays. All subjects require pen or pencil and notebook, and require a scientific calculator. Bottled water is permitted in classrooms and students should bring a healthy snack.

To obtain enrolment forms provide the age of the student and email: AfterSchoolProgram@murdoch.edu.au

Payment may be made online: payments.murdoch.edu.au/PrepCourses

or phone 0427 864 740 (afternoons and evenings).

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