



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 2
ISSUE 7

1 May 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 3 May

- Assembly Room 5

Monday 6-10 May

- Swimming lessons for Rooms 2, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 11

Friday May 10

- Walk to School day



Monday 13-17 May

- Swimming lessons for Rooms 1, 3, 4, 7 and 12

Thursday 23 May

- Dockers/Fever Cup

Friday 24 May

- Assembly Room 10

Monday 27 May

- Uniform Shop

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank You

It is with great pride and gratitude that I thank all our staff and students who participated in our annual ANZAC Service. Our student leaders and choir led us in a solemn, high-quality event. I also thank Nigel Bennett and Fred Smith for the roles that they played, and to every class for constructing and laying wreaths. So many classes studied aspects of the ANZAC story and its protocols, and this showed in the way that the children observed the service with great respect.

Caution – Stranger Danger

We have received advice from Police of a concern in a neighbouring community of an adult male who has approached children on his push bike and asked them to accompany him to a van.

Considering this reported incident, I ask parents to remind their children to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to their parents, the school, and the police.

You can call **13 14 44** to report an incident to WA Police (only use 000 in an emergency) or **1800 333 000** to reach Crime Stoppers.

Here are some suggestions to help your children stay safe:

- always travel in a group
- walk on the right-hand side of the road to face oncoming traffic.
- wherever possible, leave space between you and the roadway.
- stay in areas that are well lit.
- stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres)
- be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably.
- if you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number.
- if a passing car stops nearby, never get too close.
- run from a situation if you feel at risk.
- give this advice to your brothers and sisters, especially if they are younger.
- report suspicious behaviour to your parents, school, and the police.
- if you can get it safely, try to photograph or remember the number plate of the car.
- report number plates of cars and the clothing or distinguishing features of individuals to police.

Should you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me at school.

Early Childhood Area Out of School Hours

I ask that all parents and students vacate the school grounds as soon as possible after school - unless remaining for formal netball or soccer training. I ask those who are gathering for quite some time in the Early Childhood playground, often with older children, to please vacate quickly. There are blurred lines regarding supervision and responsibility, and I do often observe children

demonstrating non-safe behaviours which we would not normally support during school hours. There are also incidents of equipment and materials being moved into unsafe positions. Often Early Childhood staff are required to deconstruct these to ensure safety of the smaller children.

Health

In recent days we have been hit with Covid and variations of other illnesses, so I take this opportunity to remind everyone about hygiene practices and remaining home if unwell. Students and visitors are welcome to wear masks; this is a family decision.

Noongar Acknowledgement

Following considerable research and consultation we are nearing the moment where we will be co-naming our Factions. A Culture working party within our school considered the Noongar words of our faction colours, and then the key universal elements. It is proposed that the following names be adopted; Red – Boodja meaning earth, Gold – Ngaangk meaning Sun, Blue – Kep meaning water.

We are also considering naming each of our buildings, or blocks, after fauna which are often observed around our school. A survey will be issued to staff, students, and parents to prioritise 8 that have been selected.

It is hoped that we can brand our Administration block with 'Wandjoo bandang, Wandjoo babin (Welcome all, Welcome friend).

Following the survey and any feedback provided this will need to be ratified by the school Board.

Teacher and School Leader Action

School Leaders (Principals and Deputies) are also involved in negotiations with the State government regarding salaries, working conditions and health and well-being. As has been the case with teachers, the first offer to school leaders was not considered to be satisfactory, hence the Principal's Federation has asked school leaders to refrain from various activities including attending out of hours meetings and completing surveys or participating in several Department of Education processes. The intent is not to disrupt schools and our students.

I thank our community, and in particular those parents who have sent messages in support of our teachers during this time. It is fantastic that you have acknowledged some of the challenges teachers manage regularly.

I will continue to keep our community informed on this matter.

Bruce Fraser
Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Dockers and Fever Cup

The Dockers (AFL) and Fever (netball) Cup carnivals are happening on Thursday, 23 May at Ray Owen Reserve in Lesmurdie. This is a competition for Year 6 students, but some Year 5 students may get the opportunity to participate if we do not have enough Year 6 students to fill the teams. Students taking part will play games of AFL football and netball against teams from Gooseberry Hill, Lesmurdie, Kalamunda, Maida Vale, Roleystone and Walliston Primary Schools. In the lead-up to this carnival, I will be doing some football (AFL) training after school and Mrs Burns will organise some netball training during lunch. A note about the AFL training will be sent out with participating students.

More information and invitations will be sent out via Consent2Go.

Faction Cross Country

The Faction Cross Country will be taking place later this term on Thursday, 6 June. See below the information on the distances that students will run. A map of the Junior and Senior courses is attached with this newsletter.

Year Level	Distance
1	500m = 1 lap of the junior track
2	750m = 1 lap of the oval and 1 lap of the junior track
3	1000m = 1 lap of the senior track
4	1000m = 1 lap of the senior track
5	1500m = 1 lap of the junior track and 1 lap of the senior track
6	2000m = 2 laps of the senior track

Swimming Lessons

Our in-term swimming lessons are happening over the next 2 weeks and will involve 2 x 40 minute lessons with a short break in between. Rooms 2, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 11 will do their lessons in Week 4 and Rooms 1, 3, 4, 7 and 12 will do their lessons in Week 5 – see timetable below. The lessons will take place at Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre in Belmont. Any queries about swimming lesson levels need to be directed to the Swimming Lesson supervisor who will be available at the pool during your child's lesson.

Week 4 - (6th May – 10th May)

No library borrowing this week for Rooms 2, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 11

Classes	Leave School	Lesson time	Return to School
Rooms 5 and 11	8.40am	9.20 – 10.00am + 10.05 – 10.45am	11.15am
Rooms 6 and 10	10.25am	11.00 – 11.40am + 11.45 – 12.25pm	1.05pm
Rooms 2 and 8	12.15pm	12.55 – 1.35pm + 1.40 – 2.20pm	2.50pm

Week 5 – (13th May – 17th May)

No library borrowing this week for Rooms 1, 3, 4, 7 and 12

Classes	Leave School	Lesson time	Return to School
Rooms 7 and 12	8.40am	9.20 – 10.00am + 10.05 – 10.45am	11.15am
Room 1, Room 3 and Room 4	10.25am	11.00 – 11.40am + 11.45 – 12.25pm	1.05pm

If you have not yet returned your swimming enrolment form, please do so as soon as possible (Each student must have their own enrolment form – a copy is attached with the newsletter).

A note with some things to remember about swimming lessons is attached with this newsletter.

Good Standing Reward

The students from Year 4 – 6 enjoyed taking part in a variety of fun activities where everyone managed to get wet on Friday, 19 April as a reward for their excellent behaviour during Term 1. Students and teachers enjoyed spraying each other with water in 'Run the Gauntlet,' tipping water on others' heads in 'Duck, Duck, Splash,' and carrying wet sponges on their heads and passing wet sponges to each other to fill up buckets with water. It was a really enjoyable afternoon – see photos below.



Term 2 Events

Faction Cross Country – Thursday, 6 June

Stirk Interschool Cross Country – Friday, 14 June

Italian Incursion – Wednesday, 19 June

Semester 2 Leader Speeches – Tuesday, 25 June

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

Kind regards,

Simon Docherty

Room 10 ICT

During ICT the Year 1's created some playground equipment using Lego Spike. They then had to program it to make it move. They thoroughly enjoyed it and were fully engaged.



Ways to Take

Care of Books



1. Don't write in your book!
2. Don't get your book wet!
3. Keep away from babies and pets!
4. Keep your books in a safe place!
5. Don't eat or drink when you're reading a book!
6. Keep your book in your Library bag (preferably a waterproof one)!



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

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.

The winner of the 'Aussie of the Month' award this assembly is **Lara** from Year 4, Room 6. **Lara** was nominated for always including other students in games and being kind and friendly. **Lara** has shown the Bounce Back values of fairness, responsibility and friendliness. Congratulations to **Lara**.



MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates on Friday, 19 April

PP	Summer	Her focus and high level of attention to detail towards her sentence writing.
PP	Daisy	Her independence and dedication towards finishing her recount picture. Well done!
PP	Tasmin	Brilliant sounding out and writing of her CVC words during our daily morning routine. Keep up the great work!
PP	Isla	Her fabulous writing recount and drawing about her holidays. Your holiday sounded fantastic.
1	Elsie	Completing work with thought and care to ensure it is always completed to her best.
1	Fergus	Completing work with improved focus and motivation. Well done, Fergus!
2	Willow F	The excellent holiday recount you produced! You wrote neatly, added detail and used interesting vocabulary.
2	Amy	Independently writing your holiday recount, remembering your paragraphing and time connectives! You are a star!
3	Zan	Demonstrating keen listening skills when learning about solids, liquids and gases. You recalled and summarised some great facts.
3	Samuel	Managing his time well and adding good detail to his two truths, one trick holiday activity.
3	Annabel	Approaching her narrative writing with enthusiasm. I can't wait to find out how it ends!
4	Ayla	Her determination to improve her reading comprehension, resulting in jumping two levels in Literacy Pro!
4	Alyssa	Being an enthusiastic student who takes responsibility for her learning.
4	Avri	Being an interested learner who makes a valuable contribution to class discussions.
4	Bertie	Making a concerted effort to improve your handwriting, particularly with your Term 1 presentation pieces.
5	William	Creating a well-structured information report cold task about elephants, using prior knowledge and technical vocabulary.
5	Abbie	Your effort and enthusiasm in researching a female war hero. Well done.
5	Lotte	Your engagement and effort in researching a female war hero.
6	Amelie	Her enthusiasm and attention to detail when researching and writing about the important role dogs played in supporting our ANZAC soldiers.

P & C

Uniform Shop

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

April 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>



Mother's Day
Thursday, 9 May

Students will have the chance to visit our school stall to buy something special for a special Mum in their life!

Gifts are \$5 or \$10.
One gift per child.

Please send in money for each child on the morning (younger students in a labelled envelope for teachers to look after).

Some gifts will be made available to Kindy Green on Friday 10 May

Falls Road P&C 

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Lynwood SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SOCCER ACADEMY

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

The Lynwood Senior High School Soccer Program is an approved sports specialist program through the Department of Education.

Students in the Soccer Program participate in school and regional competitions. There are opportunities provided to students within the program to achieve coaching and referee licenses as well as attend International Tours.

Three Scholarships are awarded each year to one male student, one female student and one Aboriginal student who display leadership qualities.

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW FOR YEAR 6 STUDENTS

For Trial Dates Please see our website www.lynwood.wa.edu.au

Apply via QR code

Lynwood SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

ENVIRONMENT & LIFE SCIENCES

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

The Environment and Life Sciences Program at Lynwood Senior High School is an academic enrichment program that provides students with access to an accelerated curriculum in key learning areas.

Students in EaLS also participate in cross-curricular projects in school, incursions, community partnerships and excursions. The additional educational opportunities offered in EaLS focus on sustainability, environmental education, STEM skills and increasing the overall academic performance of students.

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For Test Dates Please see our website www.lynwood.wa.edu.au

Apply via QR code

Saver Plus gives you down-to-earth money talk - and a \$500 incentive to build your savings!

If you save up to \$50 a month for 10 months (the length of the program), ANZ will double it.

What can the \$500 be spent on?

- Laptops and tablets
- Vocational education
- Books and supplies
- Uniforms and shoes
- Lessons and activities
- Camps and excursions

To join Saver Plus

- Be 18 years or older
- Have a Health Care or Pensioner Card
- Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income (you or your partner)
- Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits. It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry Street. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.

saverplus.org.au 1300 610 355

QUIZ NIGHT!

Fundraising for Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

Saturday, 8th June 2024
7PM - 10PM

The Woodlupine Family & Community Centre
88 Hale Rd, Forrestfield

- Fun games & Prizes
- Lots of Raffle prizes
- Silent & Live auction

Bar available (no BYO drinks) BYO snacks

\$25 per person
Gather a team of 8
Part booking available

Book Online Now!

www.trybooking.com/CPYFB

Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

All proceeds go to Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

CONTACT: Amanda Pettibone mandawort@kanyana.com.au 0481875787

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