

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

Wednesday 29 May

Year 6 Transition
 Day

Monday 3 June

WA Day holiday

Thursday 6 June

- Faction Cross Country
- Dental Screening
 PP & Yrs 3 and 6

Friday 7 June

Room 8 Assembly

Monday 10 June

- Uniform Shop
- P&C Meeting

Thursday 13 June

Poetry Eisteddfod

Friday 14 June

 Stirk Cross Country

Monday 17 June

 School Board Meeting

Wednesday 19 June

LOTE incursion

FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 2 ISSUE 9

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

29 May 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Staff Movements

As of the middle of Week 9 (13 June) I will be taking leave for a surgical procedure. Mr Simon Docherty will step into the Principal role and Mrs Erin Burns the Deputy role until 8 August.

Miss Danielle Bunter and Mr Peter Bernardi will be taking well-earned Long Service leave throughout Term 3. Once the families of these classes have been informed of the substitute teachers, we will inform the whole school community.

Congratulations to Mrs Trilene Aitken who has been an Education Assistant in our school for some time (around 9 years), and has now secured a School Officer role at Middle Swan PS. We thank Trilene for her dedication to our students.

We also have 3 teachers taking parental leave commencing at various stages throughout Semester 2. I congratulate Miss Perera, Miss Archbold and Mrs Perkins on this very exciting phase of their family lives. As the time draws nearer for each of them, we will inform the community of our replacement plans.

School Board

Our Board met this week (minutes attached), with the focus of discussions being upon our Noongar words survey, reviewing our dress code policy, examining some student academic and wellbeing data, and being apprised of the various teams across our schools in their review and action phases.

The Board strongly endorsed the three initiatives of co-naming our Factions, naming the main buildings of our school after commonly seen fauna, and a dual language welcome plaque at the entrance of our administration block.

This is more than apt, given that this is National Reconciliation week.

I applaud our student and faction leaders who played a significant role in researching and presenting alternative faction names to those originally proposed. Through their own interest and passion, they determined that Doodjar (Gold), Bilya (Blue) and Kaarla (Red) will be names easier to say, to chant and be identifiable to all students.

This whole process has demonstrated how democracy and student voice can successfully be at play in a school setting.

Reporting to Parents

Student Reports will be made available to parents on Monday, 24 June. Given that parents are regularly invited to discuss their children's progress there should be no surprises, however with Reports distributed on Monday, the opportunity is there to follow up with teachers during the remainder of Week 11.

Interschool Sports

Congratulations to our Football and both Netball teams on a fantastic showing at the recent Stirk winter carnival. I observed some fantastic teamwork, great endeavour, and respect towards the opposition. Results and photos are contained in the Deputy's Report.

Congratulations Lesmurdie Primary School

Yesterday I attended the official re-opening of Lesmurdie PS by the Premier. After a somewhat challenging time sharing the site with workers and machinery the students and staff of Lesmurdie PS can be well satisfied with getting through it all and now experiencing their new facilities.

P&C Acknowledgement

Last Friday we thanked our P&C for their awesome support of our school. Banners were placed around the school, and students of every class wrote messages of thanks. At our Assembly, I acknowledged not only our P&C which is very strong in numbers and actions, but all volunteers including our Board members and everyone who assist in classrooms, on excursions, and in supporting our sports teams.

Long Weekend

Congratulations to everyone on making it through to the end of Week 7. Please enjoy the day off with family over this coming WA Day long weekend.

Regards Bruce Fraser Principal

DEPUTY NEWS

Faction Cross Country

The Faction Cross Country Carnival will take place on Thursday, 6 June starting at 8.40am. All races will start and finish on the school oval at the front of the sports shed. There will be boys' and girls' races for students from Year 1 – Year 6 (distances for each year level in the table below). The Cross Country Map is attached with this newsletter.

Year Level	Distance
1	500m = 1 lap of the junior track
2	750m = 1 lap of the oval (1^{st}) 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 (1 st) and 1 lap of the senior track
6	2000m = 2 laps of the senior track

We will start with the Year 4 boys and girls events followed by Year 3, Year 2 and Year 1 races and then finish with the Year 5 and 6 races. We are unable to give specific times for each event, but all races will be completed by recess (10.25am). All students who complete the course will earn points for their faction that go towards the Cross-Country Shield as well as a faction point for the end of term Faction Sausage Sizzle.

In the event of wet weather, the program may be altered. In this instance, year level girls' and boys' races will be run as the weather permits and year levels will be called out as required. We will make this decision the day before.

The first 5 placegetters in the Year 2 – Year 6 girls' and boys' events will be invited to the Stirk Interschool Cross Country Carnival on Friday, 14 June. Students must participate in the Faction Cross Country in order to be selected for the Interschool Cross Country.

Dockers and Fever Cup

The Dockers (AFL) and Fever (netball) Cup carnivals took place on Thursday, 23 May at Ray Owen Reserve in Lesmurdie. Students from Falls Road PS played games of AFL football and netball against teams from the other Stirk Sports Association schools. All teams in the netball and football played 6 games during the carnival. Our teams had a really successful day with the B Division netball team (made up of all Year 5s) going through undefeated, the A Division netball team only losing to 1 team to finish second, and the football team winning 4 out of 6 games to finish 3rd on the day. See the results below.

A big thank you to Anna Sykes and Kayla Cottam who coached and umpired the Division B netball team and Mrs Burns who supervised the Division A netball team. Thanks also to Kylie Scott who washed the football jumpers after the carnival. Congratulations to our teams on the sportsmanship they displayed throughout the carnival.





Netball – Division A





Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	FINAL
Falls Road - 11	Falls Road - 8 Vs	Falls Road - 16	Falls Road - 17	Falls Road - 14	Falls Road - 10
Vs	Roleystone -	Vs	Vs	Vs	Vs
Maida Vale - 2	17	Kalamunda - 2	G/Berry Hill - 3	Walliston – 7	Roleystone - 16

Netball – Division B

Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Game 6
Falls Road - 9	Falls Road - 14	Falls Road - 12 Vs	Falls Road - 16	Falls Road - 9 Vs	Falls Road - 16
Vs Maida Vale - 2	Vs Pickering Bk - 2	G/berry Hill (2) - 6	Vs G/berry Hill (1) - 2	Roleystone - 6	Vs Kalamunda - 0

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Football

Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4	Game 5	Games 6
Falls Road					
3 goals 4 points - 22	4 goals 6 points - 30	2 goals 1 points – 13	4 goals 9 points – 35	7 goals 5 points – 47	9 goals 3 points – 57
Vs	Vs	Vs	Vs	Vs	Vs
Maida Vale	Walliston	G/berry Hill 1	Lesmurdie	Roleystone	G/berry Hill 2
6 goals 3	1 goal 2 points	7 goals 6 points	1 goal 1 points	3 goals 4	1 goal 1 point
points – 39	- 8	- 48	- 7	points – 22	- 7
<u>Goals</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Goals</u>
Seb – 2	Seb – 2	lsa – 1	Bailey – 1	Seb – 3	Seb – 3
Jensen - 1	Karl – 1	Seb - 1	Karl – 1	Bodhi – 1	Owen – 2
	lsa - 1		Seb – 1	Owen – 1	Lily – 1
			Jacob - 1	Isaac – 1	Isaac – 1
				Karl - 1	Karl – 1
					Rohan – 1

Poetry Eisteddfod



Students have chosen their poem for the Poetry Eisteddfod and are now in the process of learning it off by heart and preparing to present it to their class. These class presentations will happen during Week 8 (next week) or the beginning of Week 9. This is a great opportunity for students to practise their presentation skills with the 2 or 3 best poetry presentations being chosen for the year level final. The year level finals will be held on Thursday, 13 June in the Moonlight Hall.

YEAR 4 Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) Assessment

The PEAC Program provides part-time extension and enrichment for exceptionally able students in Years 5 and 6. PEAC offers a range of courses that provide identified students with work that is intellectually challenging.

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 your child is unwell or will be absent on the specified test day as shown above, please contact Simon Docherty on 9291 2150 within 24 hours to request a catch-up test.

The scores from the test will be used to select eligible students for PEAC courses and extension programs during 2025 to 2026. Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of eligible students will be notified via email in Term 4.

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

Faction Cross Country – Thursday, 6 June Room 8 Assembly – Friday, 7 June 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

Around the School

Room 10

The Year 1's in Room 10 have been learning about old fashioned toys in History. They watched a puppet show video and looked at some designs. They then planned and created their own sock puppet. It was a lot of fun and the puppets look great!



Year 6 Transition Day

All of our Year 6 students got to take part in a transition day at Kalamunda Senior High School this morning.

As part of this visit, they had a tour of the school, took part in 2 different lessons where they made a spinner in Metal Work and participated in a low risk abseiling challenge and soccer skills workshop.

They enjoyed a free cheese toastie and juice courtesy of Kalamunda High School, and were excited to order from the canteen.

The students asked lots of questions about High School experiences which was great preparation for next year.





The winner of the 'Aussie of the Month' award this assembly is **Jacob** from Year 6, Room 8. **Jacob** was nominated for volunteering to accompany a large number of Pre -primary students when they walked and ran around the cross country course. He made sure they all stayed safe. **Jacob** has shown the Bounce Back values of responsibility, friendliness and cooperation. Congratulations to **Jacob**.



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MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates on Friday, 24 May.

Samuel	His respectful and clear communication with his peers. You are a Super Problem Solver Sam!
Madeline	Her ambition and attitude towards school life. Keep smiling, Madeline!
Mason	His amazing effort when doing our Numeracy and Literacy morning activities. Keep working hard, Mason!
Levi	His enthusiasm to share with the class his knowledge about 'Space'. Your knowledge is out of this world!
Harrison	Using a variety of strategies confidently to solve addition and subtraction problems.
Boston	Writing a thoughtful and detailed reflection about his sock puppet.
Zoe	The effort you have been putting into all classroom activities. Your motivation and determination is amazing to see.
William	Working hard to master and apply a range of strategies to solve subtraction equations. You are a star!
Riley	The phenomenal vocabulary you apply to all tasks! You always look for opportunities to use 'wow' words.
Jaxon	Working hard to develop his ideas with different sentence types and to include detail in his writing.
Martika	Her thoughtfully written argument from the perspective of a rainforest butterfly.
Jack	Outstanding results in all areas of Mathematics this semester. Keep up all your hard work.
Abigail	Showing great improvement in writing conventions. It has been wonderful to see your writing style develop.
Lucas	Writing narratives that engage and entertain the reader.
Leah	The care and dedication she shows for her learning.
Jai	Participating more frequently in class discussions and making an effort to complete Spelling activities consistently.
Atalay	Consistently applying newly-learned strategies with full working out to achieve high results in weekly Maths post-tests.
Evelyn	Consistently challenging yourself in Maths, particularly when learning long multiplication.
Sebastian	Your participation and effort in our classroom discussions on Federation.
William	Wonderful results in your Mathematics assessment. Your hard work and consistent effort to improve, has helped you shine!
Billie	The creative and careful approach she takes with all learning tasks. Billie always tries her best. Well done!
	Mason Levi Harrison Boston Zoe William Riley Jaxon Martika Jack Jack Jack Lucas Leah Lucas Leah Jai Sebastian William

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Uniform Shop

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

June 10 and 24

Orders can be placed online using <u>http://www.fallsroadpandc.org.au/.</u> 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.**

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