



# FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 1  
ISSUE 3

1 March 2023

## 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

#### Thursday 2 March

- Dance Lessons  
PP - Year 5

#### Friday 3 March

- Leaders Assembly
- Tutus and Ties charity fundraiser

#### Monday 6 March Labour Day Public Holiday

#### Wednesday 8 March

- Dance Lessons  
PP - Year 5

#### Thursday 9 March

- Dance Lessons
- Art Incursion for Years 2, 3 & 4

#### Friday 10 March

- Faction Swimming  
Carnival Years 3 - 6

#### Monday 13 March

- Uniform Shop open
- **Parent Interviews -  
Students finish at  
11.30am**

#### Tuesday 14 March

- Year 6 Cricket Carnival

#### 15 - 27 March

- NAPLAN

#### Monday 20 March

- P&C Meeting

Dear Parents/Carers,

During the first 5 weeks of term, teachers have been conducting a range of assessments with students in their classes. This has given them valuable information on where their students are at and where they need to focus their strategies for improvement. This also gives them great information to enable them to differentiate their learning programs for different groups of students in their class. They will be able to share this information with you during the **Parent Interviews on Monday, 13 March.**

**A reminder that school closes at 11.30am on this day.**

Please use this link on the Online Booking System to book a time with your child/rens teacher. Bookings are available until **Thursday 9 March at 3.00pm.**

<https://sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=1437>

### INSURANCE

A reminder to parents that the Department of Education does not provide accident insurance for children when they are at school. Parents are reminded that if they wish to have their child insured, they need to organise this cover themselves.

### DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Dogs are not permitted on our school grounds. There are lots of signs advising of this. Please don't be offended if you are asked by a staff member to remove your animal.

The school boundaries are defined by Falls Road, Burma Road and Connor Road.

**National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)** commences on Wednesday, 15 March, Week Seven this term. Parent information pamphlets were sent home with students in Years 3, and Year 5 recently.

Our students will complete their NAPLAN online again this year. Year 3 Writing will still be done with paper and pencil. To accommodate this and ensure access to computers, the testing period is scheduled from Wednesday, 15 March until Monday, 27 March.

Staff have been conducting some practice tests to ensure that students are familiar with the structure and format of the tests and will continue to do this over the next couple of weeks to support them in adjusting to test conditions.

At the same time our Year 4 and Year 6 students will be doing their NAPLAN test from a previous year to monitor their progress and identify any areas which may require a continued focus.

**STUDENTS ARRIVING AT SCHOOL PRIOR TO 8.30AM**

Parents are reminded that students are not to come to school before 8.00am in the morning.

**LONG WEEKEND**

I'm sure you're all aware that we have a long weekend coming up as next Monday is Labour Day, public Holiday. Enjoy the break.

Regards,  
David Ingle

## DEPUTY NEWS

**Faction Swimming Carnival**

**The Faction Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday, 10 March (Friday, Week 6) at the Kalamunda Water Park. There will be swimming races (25 metres and 50 metres) for the students in Year 4 – Year 6.**

The students in Year 3 along with those students in Year 4 – 6 that are not swimming in races will get to take part in a range of activities in the small pool and on the grassed area nearby.

**Nominations for the swimming races need to be handed in to the office by this Friday, 3 March.** There are nomination forms in the office and the nomination form is also attached along with this newsletter.

All students in Years 3 – 6 are expected to participate in the Faction Swimming Carnival. Parents are invited to come along, but are reminded that there is a **\$3 spectator fee** for the carnival.

**Kaarakin Art Incursion**

Students from Year 2 – Year 6 will have the opportunity to see a black cockatoo up close when the Kaarakin Black Cockatoo Sanctuary brings a 'Baudin's' black cockatoo in for students to learn about as part of their Art program for this term. This experience will offer students the opportunity to meet and interact with an endangered animal and learn about these beautiful species of birds. Students will create papier mache, watercolour and mixed media artworks depicting these iconic Western Australian birds.

The cost for this incursion is \$3.50. Please give permission via Consent2Go.

**Tutus and Ties for 'Variety – The Children's Charity'**

In September, one of our teachers, Mrs Von Harrison in Pre-Primary, will be driving her vintage Volkswagen Beetle in the annual Variety Bash Car Rally to raise money for the Variety Club of WA. So, this Friday we are doing a '**Tutus and Ties**' fundraiser to help her raise money for this very worthy cause.

Students can come to school in their favourite tutu or tie over their school uniform for a gold coin donation. The money raised through our '**Tutus and Ties**' fundraiser will go directly to this very deserving charity that raises money to empower children in WA who are sick, disadvantaged or living with disability to live, laugh and learn.

Mrs Harrison will also be selling raffle tickets from 8.00am this Friday before the assembly.



We look forward to your support.

### Year 6 Cricket Carnival

On Tuesday, 14 March, our Year 6 students will be participating in a Cricket Lightning Carnival at Maida Vale Primary School and Maida Vale Reserve. Falls Road Primary will be represented by 2 girls' teams and 2 boys' teams. They will play games against Year 6 students from Gooseberry Hill PS, Kalamunda PS, Lesmurdie PS, Maida Vale PS and Walliston PS. Parents are welcome to come down and watch.

This carnival is designed as a fun, participation carnival, as many of the students may not have played in organised cricket games previously. The games will be umpired by SEDA College students who are doing this as part of their umpiring accreditation and are supervised by staff from the WA Cricket Association.

The Carnival will start at approximately 9.30am and finish by about 2.00pm. Parents are able to take their children home from the carnival, but must speak to the supervising teachers prior to taking them. Students can only go home with parents other than their own if they have written permission. Please let their class teachers know prior to the day if this is the case.

### Social Conventions Assembly

The Semester 1 Leaders will host the assembly this Friday, 3 March. During this assembly, the Year 6 School Leaders will role-play our school 'Social Conventions' to show what they look and sound like. At this assembly, we will also be presenting merit certificates, the Golden Broom, the Sports Star Award and the OscArt to the winning classes. All parents are welcome to come along to this assembly.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Services Consent

Please complete the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Services Consent via the link below if you have not already done so. These programs and applications are an integral part of our teaching and learning program at school, and if you haven't provided consent, your child will not be able to use these services.

All of these providers have reached an agreement with the Education Department of WA whereby they have shown that they are storing any student data safely and securely.

<https://forms.office.com/r/wCnzuepkHR>.

### In-term Swimming Lessons

Students at Falls Road will have the opportunity to take part in the in-term swimming lessons that are provided by the Department of Education. This year, these lessons will take place at The Belmont Oasis Aquatic Centre in Belmont in the first 2 weeks of Term 2 (Wednesday, 26 April – Friday, 5 May).

The information and swimming stage enrolment information will be sent out via **Consent2Go** at the beginning of Week 7. Please complete a swimming enrolment form for each child as this information is forwarded on to the School Swimming WA lesson coordinator who then organises the lessons.

### What's happening this Term

**Faction Swimming Carnival** – Friday, 10 March, 12.15 – 3.00pm (Kalamunda Aquatic Centre)

**Parent Interviews** – Monday, 13 March – 12pm - 6pm

**Year 6 Cricket Lightning Carnival** – Tuesday, 14 March, 9.30am – 2.00pm (Maida Vale Reserve)

**NAPLAN Testing** – Wednesday, 15 March – Monday, 27 March

**Stirk Swimming Carnival** – Thursday, 23 March (9.30am – 12.30pm at Bilgoman Aquatic Centre)

**Golf Clinics** – Tuesday, 28 March and Tuesday, 4 April (Year 3 – Year 6)

**Easter Hat Parade** – Thursday, 6 April - 8.45am (Moonlight Hall or Basketball courts TBA))

Regards

Simon Docherty

**ICT**

Some classes have been learning to touch-type in ICT lessons as this is a skill all of our students will find useful throughout the rest of their schooling and potentially further studies or careers. It would be great if this skill was supported at home (especially for the Year 5's who will be doing their Writing NAPLAN online).

The free, online programs we use in class are Dance Mat Typing and Typing Club.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr>

	<p><a href="#">Free Touch Typing Software</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.typingclub.com">www.typingclub.com</a></p>
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If your child does practice at home, please make sure they are using the correct hand positions!

Kind Regards,

Inger Johnston  
 Music & ICT Specialist  
 Falls Road Primary School

**Kalamunda Show—Colouring Competition**

Colouring Competition forms has been handed to students today. Please ensure that they are returned to the School Administration no later than Wednesday, 22 March. Completed forms should include contact details for parent or guardian.

**Junior Dancers Wanted!**

I have been approached by a local musician, and ex-Falls Road student, who is looking for children to be dancers in two videos of children's songs she has written. The songs are based on a magical theme (The Wizard Dance and The Magic Dance) so she would like the children to wear something to suit the theme. The only practice that will be required is to learn the actions. There will be no identifying details used (names, school etc) and the videos will be used on her social media platforms and website. The songs would be suited to students around Years 1 or 2.

I'm happy to facilitate the rehearsals and recording but please be aware this is not connected to the school or our music program.

If your child would like to be part of the recording or you would like further details, please contact me as soon as possible.

Inger Johnston  
[inger.johnston@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:inger.johnston@education.wa.edu.au)

## MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates on Friday, 17 February.

Year	Student	Comment for:
PP	Audrey	Your amazing sound knowledge and being an interested learner who makes positive contributions to class discussions.
PP	Helen	Being a kind and eager class member! You always do your best and help others in class.
PP	Emily	Her great numeracy skills! Your ability to count beyond 100 is Amazing!
1	Darcy	Starting the year with a smile and an awesome can-do attitude! Keep it up!
1	Jordy	Always trying his best and persevering with challenging activities. Superstar!
1	Greyson	Listening carefully in class discussions and sharing ideas.
1	Evelyn	Carefully listening to instructions and following them.
2	Finn	The constant kindness and manners you show to everyone Finn, you are always a bucket filler!
2	Taylor	Always putting in your best effort to produce neat work. You should be proud - I am!
2	Samson	Constantly being an active participant during mat sessions! Your ideas and questions are always so insightful.
2	Annabel	Always trying your best in all tasks and presenting your work to a high standard!
3	Zara	Being an attentive listener, who settles quickly and quietly to her work. Keep up the super work, Zara!
3	Abby	Being a focused and hard working member of the class who shows a genuine interest in all learning opportunities.
3	Bethany	Seamlessly settling into our new class. Taking on all new challenges with persistence and a smile.
3	Elijah	Contributing to all class discussions with thoughtful and insightful ideas.
4	Jesse	The interest and enthusiasm he shows for learning.
5	Jai	Demonstrating a hard working and positive attitude towards his learning.
5	Dylan	Your consistently insightful contributions based on observation during Health Games.
5	Kimberlee	Consistently contributing and participating positively in all lessons. Keep giving your best.
5	Amelie	Her enthusiastic approach to completing in-class tasks and her weekly homework. Keep up the great work, Amelie!
6	Angus	His excellent start to Year 6. Angus has tried hard to focus himself and complete all learning tasks to the best of his ability.
6	Ciaran	Making a wonderful effort to settle into the classroom and make lots of new friends. Welcome to Falls Road, Ciaran!
6	Jesse	Demonstrating great determination and resilience, what a fantastic start to Year 6!
6	Noah	Demonstrating an increased confidence in maths, and tackling challenging activities.



### Aussie of the Month



Congratulations to **Lara Year 3, Room 1** for being our Aussie of the Month. Lara was nominated for being polite and friendly to everyone.

**Lara** has shown the 'Bounce Back' values of fairness, kindness and friendliness. Congratulations to **Lara**.



## P & C

### Uniform Shop

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

**March 13 and 27**

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](mailto:fallsroadparents@gmail.com)

Did you know Falls Road Primary School P&C is on Facebook - join us at

<https://www.facebook.com/fallsroadprimaryschool>

If your child is absent you can:

email [fallsroad.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:fallsroad.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

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

sms:0437705698 (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.**

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION



**NAB AFL Auskick is the best way to introduce kids to the great game of Aussie Rules Football! It's all about fun, getting hands on the ball and constantly being involved in exciting activities.**

No AFL experience? No worries! Auskick offers an inclusive environment for everyone aged 5 – 8 at any skill level to play.

- Super fun game-based activities that kids absolutely love
- Non-contact activities in a welcoming and inclusive environment so all kids can play safely
- Games are tailored to different ages and skill levels, which means less lining up and more playing footy
- Come along and play footy, have fun and make friends, sign up today



Lesmurdie JFC

**THIS IS US THIS IS FOOTY**



The Lesmurdie Saints Junior Football Club (LSJFC) are entering their 41st season and we are excited about the 2023 season! We welcome all boys and girls to join our club, get active, be a team player and play some footy.

We cater for:

Pre-primary to Year 2 for Auskick

Boys and girls from Years 3 to 6

Girls youth from Years 7 to 12

We are your local community Aussie rules Football club and we'd love you to join us in 2023.

Register now at [www.lesmurdiesaintsjfc.com.au](http://www.lesmurdiesaintsjfc.com.au) or contact our registrar, Sheree for more information [lsjfc.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:lsjfc.registrar@gmail.com)

**GO SAINTS 2023!**

### A MATHS EXPO – NOW THAT'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT!

The expo is targeted at families in the aim to provide support to parents and students with mathematics learning at home by showcasing interactive resources. It will be a fun, interactive day with lots of opportunity to see a variety of resources that make learning fun, and there are prizes to be won on the day!

**SUNDAY 12 MARCH 2023**

**10:00AM – 1:00PM**

**STIRLING COMMUNITY CENTRE, MAIN HALL – KARRINYUP**

**EXPO REGISTRATION**

**MEMBERS: \$10 PER FAMILY**

**NON-MEMBERS: \$15 PER FAMILY**

**EVERY FAMILY THAT ATTENDS WILL RECEIVE A \$10 VOUCHER TO USE AT THE MAWA STAND.**

**REGISTER - [HTTPS://MAWAINC.ORG.AU/MATHS-EXPO/](https://mawainc.org.au/maths-expo/)**



# Year 4-6 Parent Information Evening



Wednesday 15 March at 6.30pm  
in the  
School Cafeteria

A Year 4-6 Parent Information Evening has been organised to provide an insight into how Kalamunda Senior High School operates, including information about:

- School History
- Values
- Academic Achievement
- Specialist Programs
- Support Programs

Opportunity for discussion and questions will be an integral part of the evening.

We look forward to your attendance and meeting you at this information evening. Please book your place via our website [kalamunda.shs@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:kalamunda.shs@education.wa.edu.au) or by Trybooking using the following link <https://www.trybooking.com/CGFAQ> or via our website [www.kalamunda.shs@education.wa.edu.au](http://www.kalamunda.shs@education.wa.edu.au)



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## REGISTER NOW KALAMUNDA & DISTRICTS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

ONLINE REGISTRATION  
**OPEN NOW**  
[www.kdjfc.com.au/  
registration](http://www.kdjfc.com.au/registration)

CLUB REGISTRATION DAY  
**9AM - 12NOON**  
**SUNDAY 19TH FEBRUARY**  
KOSTERA OVAL CLUBROOMS

Questions? Contact Jodie our Club Registrar  
[registrar@kdjfc.com.au](mailto:registrar@kdjfc.com.au)



## FRNC SENIOR PLAYERS FALLS ROAD NETBALL CLUB IS LOOKING FOR SENIOR PLAYERS

18 and Over Division  
Saturday Afternoon Competition  
Begins 29th of April 2023  
All levels of experience welcome.

Join as an individual player or come to us with  
a team!

Contact Us :

[Fallsroadnetballclub@hotmail.com](mailto:Fallsroadnetballclub@hotmail.com)



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All age groups  
NetSetGo, Juniors, Seniors & Masters



YOUR LOCAL CLUB

## FRNC Open Day 2023

**Falls Road PS Sunday 12th March**

Everyone welcome regardless of experience or age, 2pm to 4pm.  
FRNC will have fun activities planned and uniforms to try on.

Please RSVP to

[fallsroadnetballclub@hotmail.com](mailto:fallsroadnetballclub@hotmail.com)