



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 1
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15 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

15 - 27 March

- NAPLAN

Friday 17 March

- Assembly

Monday 20 March

- P&C Meeting 7.00pm

Wednesday 22 March

- Dance Lessons

Thursday 23 March

- Dance Lessons
- STIRK Swimming Carnival

Friday 24 March

- Art Incursion Years 5 & 6

Monday 27 March

- Uniform Shop

Tuesday 28 March

- School Photos
- Golf Clinics for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Wednesday 29 March

- School Photos
- Dance Final

Thursday 30 March

- School Photos
- Dance Final

Friday 31 March

- School Photos
- Assembly Room 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

Parent Interviews

Thank you to staff for facilitating the opportunity for parents to have an interview and discuss the progress of their child / ren on Monday.

There was a fantastic take up by parents. This level of engagement is wonderful to see and contributes to enhancing the strong partnership between the school and our parents.

Thank you for participating in this process.

Assembly

Students from Kalamunda SHS will be performing a musical item at our assembly this Friday which starts at 8:45am. This is a great opportunity for our students to see the levels that they can aspire to and how good you can be if you practise consistently. It also maintains the strong connections we have established with our local Senior High Schools.

Dance presentations

The final Dance lessons are on in Week 9, 29th and 30th March. Parents are welcome to come and view the dances and the students are looking forward to showing these dances to you.

The timetable for the year level dances are:

Wednesday, 29 March

11.50am – 12.30pm – **Year 3** (Rooms 1, 2 & 12)
1.20pm – 2.00pm – **Year 4** (Rooms 1 & 6)
2.10pm – 2.50pm – **Pre-Primary** (Room 3)

Thursday, 30 March

11.50am – 12.30pm – **Year 1** (Rooms 9 & 10)
1.20pm – 2.00pm – **Year 2** (Rooms 11 & 12)
2.10pm – 2.50pm – **Year 5** (Rooms 5, 6 & 8)

We look forward to seeing you there.

Upcoming Meetings

The next P&C meeting is on Monday, 20 March starting at 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Board meeting is on Monday, 3 April, starting at 7:00pm in the Staff Room.

Regards,
David Ingle

DEPUTY NEWS

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN testing for students in Year 3 and Year 5 started today with students sitting their Writing test. Students will then complete their Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy Tests in this order over the next two weeks.. The Year 4 and Year 6 students will also be doing some NAPLAN type tests during this time so that we can keep track of their improvement in the years in between the official NAPLAN tests. See below for some NAPLAN tips along with the NAPLAN timetable. If students are sick or away on the day of a particular test, there will be opportunities for catch-up testing.

	Monday 13/3	Tuesday 14/3	Wednesday 15/3	Thursday 16/3	Friday 17/3
Week 1 15 – 17 March			Year 3 and Year 5 Writing	Year 3 and Year 5 Reading	Year 3 Reading
	Monday 20/3	Tuesday 21/3	Wednesday 22/3	Thursday 23/3	Friday 24/3
Week 2 20 – 24 May	Year 3 and Year 5 Lan- guage Con- ventions	Year 3 Lan- guage Con- ventions and Year 5 Numeracy	Year 3 and Year 5 Numeracy	Catch-up testing	Catch-up testing
	Monday 27/3	Tuesday 28/3	Wednesday 29/3	Thursday 30/3	Friday 31/3
Week 3 27 March	Catch-up Testing				

Tip 1: Be positive – it’s a new opportunity/challenge – but it isn’t high stakes

Tip 2: Encourage your child to talk about concerns so you can help alleviate them (but don’t feed the anxieties). Ensure your child understands that you aren’t concerned about the tests.

Tip 3: Help them to relax – provide them with some relaxation strategies, eg. take 3 deep breaths, have a drink of water, re-read the questions.

Tip 4: Prepare – have a good night’s sleep and a good breakfast.

Tip 5: Encourage them to have a go, focus on doing their best and the results will take care of themselves

Stirk Swimming Carnival

The Stirk Swimming Carnival is happening next Thursday, 23 March from 9.30 am – 12.00pm at Bilgoman Aquatic Centre in Greenmount. **Invitations for selected swimmers have been sent out via Consent2Go.** Students were selected for this carnival based on their performances in the A Division 50 metre events at the Faction Swimming Carnival.

If selected students are unavailable to participate in this carnival, please let Simon Docherty know so that their position can be offered to another student.

Parents are welcome to attend.

Year 6 Cricket Carnival

The Year 6 students who participated in the Stirk Cricket Carnival had a great day playing games of cricket against other schools in the Stirk Sports Association. Falls Road was represented by 2 boys’ teams and 2 girls’ teams. All of the Falls Road teams competed really well and won at least one game in their competitions. The A Division boys team played off in the final after winning all of their qualifying games and were beaten by just 5 runs in the final, and the A Division girls finished 3rd in the girls’ competition. Well done to all of the students from Falls Road Primary who were again excellent ambassadors for our school. My thanks to Mrs Burns, Miss Ferguson and Mrs Clark who supervised the teams on the day.



Faction Swimming Carnival

It was a nice, warm day for our Faction Swimming Carnival last Friday, 10 March. Students had the opportunity to either participate in 25 metre or 50 metre races in breast stroke, freestyle and back stroke or in a range of fun water and land-based activities. This meant everyone had the chance to cool down and get wet and have some fun at the same time. A big thank you to Trina and Iain Thin who came down to help out with the scoring and starting, the parents who helped out with the judging, along with all the teachers who did the marshalling and supervising of the students in the bays and for the races and tabloid events.

There was a good crowd of parents, carers and other family members in to watch the events. We had excellent competition across all year levels with some very close finishes. The end result was that Red Faction came out on top to win their first Faction Swimming Carnival since 2006. (see scores below).

Red – 413 Blue – 386 Gold – 316

Congratulations to all those students who competed in the races and earned points for their faction. Well done to those students who were named Champion or Runner-up Champion for their year level (see below).

Year Level	Boys		Girls	
	Champion	Runner-Up	Champion	Runner-Up
Year 4	Theo B (24 points)	Daniel G (15 points)	Amelia B Imogen S (11 points)	Mia E (9 points)
Year 5	Cooper V (24 points)	Luan K-P (11 points)	Imogen B (24 points)	Eloise S (10 points)
Year 6	Rikert R (21 points)	Dylan C (13 points)	Kassy G (21 points)	Taneika L (11 points)



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).



Information including the swimming stage enrolment will be sent out via Consent2Go by the end of this week. **Please complete a swimming enrolment form for each child** as this information is forwarded on to the School Swimming WA lesson coordinator who organises the lessons.

The swimming enrolment forms need to be returned to the school by the end of this term – **Thursday, 6 April**.

What's happening this Term

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

Stirk Swimming Carnival – Thursday, 23 March (9.30am – 12.00pm at Bilgoman Aquatic Centre)

Kaarakin Art Incursion – Friday, 24 March

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

Gelato Incursion for Italian – Wednesday, 5 April

Easter Hat Parade – Thursday, 6 April - 8.45am (Moonlight Hall)

Regards

Simon Docherty

Gelato Day


On **Wednesday, 5 April** students will have the opportunity to use their Italian language skills during our Gelato Day. The cost of the incursion is \$5 per student. **Money needs to be brought in on the day, to their classroom teacher and NOT to the front office collection box.** Please ensure the money is in an envelope clearly marked with the student's name and Gelato Day.



Students have been practising ordering gelato in class and will have support on the day if they need, however, I encourage you to build their confidence by giving them additional opportunities to practise at home by using the support material that was emailed home to all caregivers on Wednesday, 8 March.

Ties and Tutus for Variety,

Dear students, parents and teachers at Falls Road Primary School.

Proudly Supporting  Thank you so much for supporting Variety by dressing up in your wonderful tutus and ties and buying lots of raffle tickets. Because of you we raised over \$600 on the day! That's amazing!!!!

Mr Harrison and I are currently out on the road on the Creative Car Cruise in Herbie with lots of other cool cars. We are visiting lots of schools and delivering money and equipment for some very special children. We feel very lucky to be part of such an incredibly generous community.

We are looking forward to sharing some photos in the next newsletter.

So thanks again and a special beep beep from Herbie.

Mrs Von Harrison



Mr Carter and Mrs Harrison

MERIT CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Merit Certificate Award winners who were presented with their Certificates on Friday, 3 March.

Year	Student	Comment for:
PP	Arthur	Settling into Pre-Primary and being eager to participate in class discussions!
PP	Edgar	Your fabulous contributions to class discussions and willingness to answer questions.
PP	Wesley	Always working hard and doing your best work! You are a pleasure to have in our class!
1	Riley	His dedicated work ethic during independent work. Keep it up.
1	Toby	Consistently looking for ways to be helpful to his peers and teachers. We appreciate your kindness, Toby.
1	Sienna	Always taking pride in her work and completing it to the best of her ability.
1	Jax	Showing thoughtfulness and care towards others by making sure they are okay.
2	Jack	The incredible vocabulary you are using in your writing - keep being amazing.
2	Nicholas	The way you have enthusiastically approached and mastered place value concepts.
2	Liam	The care you have been taking in your writing activities! I am so proud!
3	Georgia	Your outstanding effort in all classroom activities! Keep up the amazing work.
3	River	His outstanding commitment to the Lexile Program, achieving an average of 90% on his quizzes. Keep up the super work, River!
3	Remi	Her amazing identification of audiences for different persuasive topics and for thinking of great reasons to persuade them.
3	Lara	Showing commitment to improving her reading comprehension through consistent use of the Literacy Pro Program.
4	Corbin	Showing excellent understanding of maths concepts covered since the beginning of the year, including place value and odd-even numbers.
4	Winnie	Her great use of imagination in creative writing.
4	Alastair	Achieving great results in maths problem solving.
5	Rohan	Showing great persistence in Maths by showing all working out and applying new strategies to obtain a perfect post-test score.
5	Eloise	Consistently working hard to improve all of your post-test results in Maths and Spelling this term.
6	Taneika	Always completing tasks to the best of her ability and taking the time to help and support her peers, as needed. Well done!
6	Levi	Actively sharing well-considered inferences about characters and events during our class novel analysis sessions.
6	Toby	The amazing effort you put into writing your sizzling starts. Well done!
6	Neve	Always displaying fairness and encouragement during group activities.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

LEAP

Lesmurdie Enrichment and Acceleration Program
Mathematics and Science



APPLY NOW FOR YEAR 7, 2024

The Lesmurdie Enrichment and Acceleration Program (LEAP), an Approved Specialist Program in Science and Mathematics for Year 7 to 10 students at Lesmurdie Senior High School, gives your child the opportunity to explore their talents and extend their learning at an advanced level. If your child is entering Year 7 in 2024, they are eligible for selection. Testing will take place at Lesmurdie Senior High School on

Saturday, 25 March 2023:

- 9.00 - 10.30am, or
- 11.30 - 1.00pm

Only students who have completed and returned the LEAP 2024 application form are eligible to sit the test. Information and application forms are available at lesmurdie.wa.edu.au. Applications open on Monday 20 February and close on Tuesday 14 March.

A Parent Information video will be available on our website from 5.00pm Tuesday 21 February, 2023



For more information, go to the website lesmurdie.wa.edu.au or contact Samantha Sharman at Lesmurdie Senior High School at samantha.sharman@education.wa.edu.au or on 9291 1200.

APPROVED SPECIALIST PROGRAM IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

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Are you eligible to join Saver Plus & receive \$500 for your back to school costs?

Must meet all eligibility criteria:

- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✓ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✓ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible






Telethon Holiday Makers Program

Enrolments are open for April school holidays!

Join the fun in Fremantle, Marangaroo and Rockingham

Activities include visits to the Zoo and SciTech, video game competition, Tik Tok Trends, movie making and art projects - there will be something for everyone! Check out some other exciting activities we've planned:

- 13 April: Amazing Race and lunch at South Beach
- 17 April: Holey Moley
- 18 April: Go Carting
- 19 April: Indoor archery and karaoke

For a full list of activities, more information and to enrol call 9431 2111 or visit <https://www.spectrumspace.org.au/social-groups/holiday/eoi/>

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FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

icy pole day!



the year 6's are fundraising for their school graduation on

Friday 17th March 2023



SOCCER ACADEMY SPECIALIST PROGRAM

Lynwood Senior High School **Soccer Academy** is holding trials for Year 6 students only on **Thursday 4th May 2023** in Term 2.

We welcome interested Year 6, 2023 students to apply.

Parents/Carers can find our application through our website www.lynwood.wa.edu.au under Specialist Programs.

All applications can be emailed to Bree.Faranda@education.wa.edu.au along with the student's most current school report.

SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND LIFE SCIENCES SPECIALIST PROGRAM

Lynwood Senior High School **Environment and Life Science (EaLS) Program** is holding testing on **Saturday 24th June 2023** of Term 2

We welcome interested Year 6 2023 students to apply.

Parents/Carers can find our application through our website www.lynwood.wa.edu.au under Specialist Programs.

All applications can be emailed to Bree.Faranda@education.wa.edu.au along with the student's most current school report.