



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHALLENGE THE PRESENT—CREATE THE FUTURE

TERM 1
ISSUE 2

15 FEBRUARY
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 16 February

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Friday 17 February

- Semester 1 Leaders
Assembly

Monday 20 February

- Uniform Shop Open
8.20am - 8.50am

Wednesday 22 February

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Thursday 23 February

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Wednesday 1 March

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Thursday 2 March

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Friday 3 March

- Leaders Assembly

Monday 6 March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 8 March

- Dance Lessons
PP - Year 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have maintained our strong numbers for 2023 and have started the year with 319 students.

These strong student numbers mean lots of cars dropping off and collecting students around the school. I would urge all parents to be even more careful in checking for cars and students when parking and exiting the car parks around the school. Please also be aware that it is illegal to park on footpaths around the school and that Police and Shire Rangers will be monitoring this.

The gravel car park on Connor Road is not a gazetted car park. Parents who use this area to drop off and collect students need to be even more vigilant.

Using this car park in a one way in and out manner has proven to be the safest. Historically the entry has been the entrance nearest Burma Road and the exit being the furthest one from Burma Road. Please do not park on the path between the entry and exit.

I would encourage parents to use this process.

Bike Riding and Crossing Roads

A reminder to students and parents about crossing roads safely at the appropriate points around the school. Students should always cross Burma Road by the crosswalk at the front of the school (bikes need to be walked across the crossing and on school grounds). Please take special care around the car parks on Falls Road and Connor Road where cars are coming in and out. This is especially important at the beginning and the end of the day when there are lots of cars about.

Step 1 Choose the safest place to stop and cross.

Step 2 Ask an adult for help to cross the road if possible.

Step 3 Step back from the kerb and road.

Step 4 Look in all directions for traffic.

Education Assistants

To support students to access learning programs the school has allocated extra resources in providing additional Education Assistant time to a number of students. This support in dollar terms is over \$80,000.00 this year.

Morning Tea

Our welcome morning tea for parents new to our school was well attended and an enjoyable and relaxed way to meet you, provide information and answer questions. We look forward to your involvement in our school.

School Chaplain

We have been successful in our application for funding for a School Chaplain and we welcome Mrs Helga Lobaugh for one day a week. She will be based in the area at the back of the Library and will work on Wednesdays.

Mrs Lobaugh will be focussing on Resilience using the Bounce Back program and our Social Conventions. We will introduce her at the Assembly this Friday, and provide further details as the term progresses.

Arriving Early

Parents are reminded that students are not to come to school before 8.00am in the morning. Supervision is provided on the oval for students who arrive early to school between 8.00am and 8.25am. Students who arrive at school from 8.00am, put their bags outside their classroom and go directly to the oval where they are supervised by Mrs Burns, Mr Docherty or myself in walking or running around the oval in the 100s Club. Students are not to gather near classrooms during this time as the supervision provided by the school is on the oval for 100s Club. Students are dismissed by the teacher and they go to their class to unpack and begin preparing for their day. We appreciate your support with this.

No Hat - No Play

Thank you for supporting the school's efforts to provide a high level of duty of care by providing your child with a broad brimmed or bucket hat. Every student has an appropriate hat and this is an amazing start to the year.

School Concerns

If any parent has a query or a concern about any aspect of school, please contact your child/ren's teacher in the first instance, and if following this contact your query hasn't been resolved, we would encourage you to contact Mr Docherty or myself. We are always willing to listen and you can make an appointment to see us through the school office.

Reporting to Parents - Half Day Closure

As advised in the last Newsletter our Reporting to Parents half day closure will be on **Monday, 13 March**. We will be using the online booking system again this year as it is a very effective process. Parents will receive an e-mail advising when the booking site goes live.

Please note School will finish at 11.30am for students on this day.

Mobile Phones

A reminder to parents and students that student's mobile phones must be left in the Office during the day. Students drop them off in the morning and collect them in the afternoon. Our students have been very diligent with this and we appreciate your cooperation and support.

P&C

The P&C held their AGM and General Meeting last night. There was a very strong turnout and all executive positions were filled. Congratulations to all those elected. Ashlee Gibson was re-elected as President and she is organising a communique to parents with information and pictures of the executive.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is scheduled between March 15 and March 27. Having it in Term One will hopefully mean that results will be available earlier in the year. This will be of use to teachers and enable them to work on areas of identified need.

Attached to this Newsletter is a copy of the Parent Information Flyer and a copy has been provided to all Year 3 and Year 5 students today to take home to you.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Regards,
David Ingle

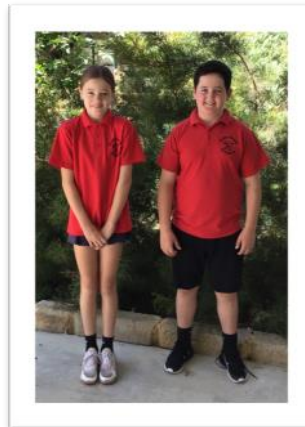
DEPUTY NEWS

Semester 1 Leaders and Faction Captains

Congratulations to our Semester 1 School Leaders and 2023 Faction Captains. Our Semester 1 School Leaders are: Dylan, Max S, Jennifer, Kassy, Callum, Daniel, Jacob, Cara, Roxy and Neve.



Our Faction Captains are: Blue – Chloe and Noah, Red – Maddie and Max K, and Gold – Lauren and Turlough.



Leaders' Assembly

The Semester 1 Leaders will host the assembly this Friday, 17 February. The Leaders and Faction Captains will be presented to the rest of the school and receive their badges. They will also tell us a bit about what they do around the school. At this assembly, we will also be presenting the first merit certificates for the year along with the Golden Broom, Sports Star Award and the OscArt to the winning classes. All parents are welcome to come along to this assembly which commences at 8.40am.

3rd Party Services Consent

At Falls Road Primary, we use a range of online services that are provided by 3rd party service providers. We require parent consent in order for students to access these services at school. These include online learning programs such as Literacy Planet, the Literacy Pro Lexile Reading Program, Matific Maths, iPad applications, and our PAT-Reading assessment program to name a few. These programs and applications are an integral part of our teaching and learning program at school. 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.

We recently sent out an email along with a link to a Microsoft form asking for your consent to use these programs and applications. See link below.

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

If you have not already completed this form, we would ask that you complete it at your earliest convenience, as we are not able to use these programs and iPad applications without your consent. Our thanks to all those parents and carers who have already returned this form.

Consent2Go

Falls Road PS uses the Consent2Go program for all permissions and consents. Please update your child/ren's details on Consent2Go. If you did not receive an email or you are unsure about this program, please contact the office.

Faction Swimming Carnival

The Faction Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday, 10 March commencing at 12.15pm at the Kalamunda Water Park at 38 Collins Road in Kalamunda. The Faction Swimming Carnival is for students in Years 3 to 6. There will be swimming races (25 metres and 50 metres) for the students in Year 4 – Year 6 and the students in Year 3 will get to take part in a range of fun, tabloid activities along with those students in Year 4 – 6 that are not swimming.

Attached with this email is a **swimming race nomination form** for the carnival (this needs to be returned to the office). A paper copy will also be given to all students in Years 4 – 6. All permissions for this carnival will be done through **Consent2Go**, so please keep an eye out for the email in your inbox.

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.

Year 6 Cricket Lightning Carnival

The Year 6 students will have the opportunity to participate in a Cricket Lightning Carnival on Tuesday, 14 March. Falls Road Primary will be represented by 2 girls' teams and 2 boys' teams and will play games against Year 6 students from Gooseberry Hill PS, Kalamunda PS, Lesmurdie PS, Maida Vale PS and Walliston PS. The Year 5 and Year 6 students will be doing cricket as part of their PE Program for the first half of Term 1.

Information and permission forms will be sent to interested students via **Consent2Go**.

What's happening this Term

Dance lessons each Wednesday and Thursday (from 11.30am) in the Moonlight Hall (starting Wednesday 8/2)

Semester 1 Leaders Assembly - Friday, 17 February at 8.45am

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

Parent Interviews – Monday, 13 March – 12.00pm - 6.00pm

Year 6 Cricket Lightning Carnival – Tuesday, 14 March, 9.30am – 1.30pm (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)

Regards

Simon Docherty

Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS) Parent Information Evenings

For information on the IMSS presentation use [Parent information evening presentation \(education.wa.edu.au\)](http://parentinformationeveningpresentation.education.wa.edu.au). Here you will be able to access the PowerPoint presentation where you can find information on how IMSS service operates and where to access further information.

For more information visit the website [Instrumental music - Department of Education](http://instrumentalmusic-departmentofeducation).



Lost Property

There is a large amount of lost property in the bin outside the staffroom. We encourage you to go through the lost property, as any remaining items will be donated back to the uniform shop next week.



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.

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:0437705698 (please give a reason for absence) or phone 9291 2150

P & C

Uniform Shop

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

February 20

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

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

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



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Reconciliation Action Plan Workshops

Community members are encouraged to come together to help develop the City of Kalamunda 2023 RAP.



10:30am | Monday 13 February
City of Kalamunda Function Room,
2 Railway Road, Kalamunda

10:00am | Wednesday 22 February
Hartfield Park, Morrison Road, Forrestfield

Artwork by Aurora Abraham

Email enquiries@kalamunda.wa.gov.au
www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au



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.lesmurdiesaintsafc.com.au or contact our registrar, Sheree for more information lsjfc.registrar@gmail.com

GO SAINTS 2023!

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**

Thriving in a nurturing environment



Venue: Jack Healey Centre

21 Mead St, Kalamunda (next door to Dome Café)

Creative Art Activities for Kids 6 to 12 years

2023 Term 1

Enrollments on Feb 9th 4pm to 5pm

Starts Feb 16th Thursdays 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. Suit ages 7 +

Pottery

Play with clay and create little animals, pinch pots, bowls, wind chimes...imagine and create! A variety of clays and glazes available, returning from the kiln bright and shiny.

All materials provided

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Inspire Art Garden Studio



Nurturing Creativity

Join us in Lesmurdie

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