

The West Australian

SHOCK BREAKING NEWS

Rudderless and listless
NATS and **LIBS**
formally reunite again
as a Coalition

YAWN

And voters just couldn't care less

BETHANY HIATT

The Coalition's embarrassing split over infighting that played out like a lousy soap opera in front of the nation has ended after a mere

17 days. Opposition Leader Sussan Ley on Sunday announced the Liberals and Nationals would reunite, admitting the messy separation had been a "difficult" time for the parties' backers.

But the damage from the break-up appears to have been done, with latest polling revealing its primary vote had plummeted to just 18 per cent, while Ms Ley has become the least popular

major party leader in more than two decades.

And One Nation has enjoyed another surge in support, now at 27 per cent, behind Labor's 33 per cent.

Nationals leader David Littleproud walked away from the Coalition last month after a disagreement over new hate speech laws.

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'NO WORDS' FOR THIS NIGHTMARE

JESSICA EVENSEN

The daughter of a grandmother killed in her sleep, allegedly by a 36-year-old driver, says there are "no words" to describe this "bad dream". "Himali"

Gurung was sleeping on the floor when a car veered off the road and smashed into her daughter's Rivervale home shortly before midnight on Friday.

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AAMI
ORIGIN
JUMPER
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Why your child's asthma is flaring up

CLAIRE SADLER

Experts warn children with asthma face more flare-ups in their first weeks back at school.

Heat exacerbates asthma alongside other triggers, including exer-

cise, dust, anxiety and illnesses. About 8 per cent of children aged 0-15 have asthma, meaning every class will have at least two students with the condition.

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PERTH 22-34 Mostly sunny. Tomorrow: Shower or two, 21-28. Yesterday: 19.7-35.6

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