



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday 8 April** – Last Day Term 1 – Hero Dress Up Day, gold coin donation with all proceeds going to the Kids Cancer Support Group.

**Friday 8 April** – Room 3 Assembly

**Tuesday 26 April** – First Day Term 2

### Dear Beaconsfield

Over the last week or so, a few staff have had the misfortune of raising the topic of the new Batman movie around me and been rather surprised at the depth of my passion for all things Batman-related. The Dark Knight is easily my favourite hero and character from any genre, and if you too would like to be bored by useless facts and theories about a fictional character then please engage me in the subject at any time. However, as this is the last newsletter for the term and this Friday 8 April is Hero Dress Up Day to raise funds for The Kids Cancer Support Group, it would be far more appropriate to acknowledge the heroes in our community who have made a difference in the school during this challenging term. As the saying goes, not all heroes wear capes. Our school staff have put the needs of the students first in every aspect of day-to-day life this year, several even returning as critical workers during close contact isolation periods which means RATs every day and added precautions to protect others. It is especially worth acknowledging the efforts of Mr Oakley in acquiring and managing sufficient relief staff and Mrs Martino in coordinating important events such as the swimming carnival and our online assemblies during this time. As always, we'd be lost without our front office staff who seamlessly adapt to any developments and go out of their way to make everyone's day easier the moment they step onto our site. The Beacy families have been nothing short of extraordinary in your timely cooperation with all COVID-related requirements, giving us the confidence to act knowing we have your support. The kind and supportive messages for staff over the term have been much appreciated, as were the deliveries of baked goods and chocolate to the staff room in the past few weeks.

Well done and thank you to Mr Schepis for his efforts in organising last week's Swimming Carnival, truly a hero to many keen swimmers and parents desperate to see the day go ahead. In the 10 minutes I spent at the pool that day between COVID cases it was clearly a great example of the heroic courage our Beacy kids have shown this term. While there may be a few people missing here and there due to isolation, they've persevered through the challenges and made the most of every opportunity that comes their way.

So on the last day of Term 1 when everyone is dressed up as their favourite hero, either from the fictional or real world, every single member of this community should feel like a hero and walk a little taller. Getting through this term with positive memories and heads held high is a heroic feat worth savouring in itself.

On behalf of all the staff at Beacy I wish you a safe and relaxing holidays and look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday April 26.

## Chris

### Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 24 March, students from Years 3-6 competed in the swimming carnival. Everybody had such a great day, we heard everyone cheering for their team and congratulating the people who placed champion or runner up. The best part of the day was when it was time for the relays! It was so much fun and felt good to hear everyone cheering loudly for their faction and clapping for the swimmers.

The whole day was filled with fun and we all had such a great experience! Well done to everyone in all the events.

Now for the faction totals and overall winners:

4th place we had Hampton on 110 points  
3rd place we had Lefroy on 196 points  
2nd place we had Hale on 314 points  
And in 1st place we had Scott on 336 points.

Year	Runner Up	Champion
3 - Boys	Jasper H	Alfie G
3- Girls	Nina H	Lani G
4 - Boys	Noah C	Cael V
4 - Girls	Zoe C	Ania W
5 - Boys	Ruben CV	Albie B
5 - Girls	Maisie C	Sophie B
6 - Boys	Ollie CC	Oscar B
6 - Girls	Alex L	Zoe G

Zoe and I happily accepted the boogie board prize. Thank you to all the parents and teachers who volunteered at the carnival and an extra big thank you to Mr Schepis for organising the event.

### By George and Zoe, Scott Faction Captains



## Rottneest Lighthouses

This term at Rottneest Campus, we've been learning about Explorers, Lighthouses and Shipwrecks. We recycled some coffee cups and trays to create a rugged coastline scene. Kai and Leo made the Bathurst Lighthouse, while Finn enjoyed designing a scene from the book, "The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch".



## Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge

In the last few weeks the students in STEM Studio



competed in the Bebras Challenge. It is a logic competition with a range of different questions some hard and some easy. We started off with easy questions and slowly they got harder.

The students were separated into teams of up to 4 and they met on a WebEx and answered the questions together. The Year 3\4s had an hour and the 5\6s had 45 minutes to complete it. There were 15 questions, the first 5 were easy the next five were medium and the last five were hard.

The teams were:

**Team 1:** Zach B, Daniel H, Ajsa A, Ned H

**Team 2:** Mabel M, Sophie B, Giselle H, Jenna H

**Team 3:** Jasper H, Mason S, Levi S, Arlo H

**Team 4:** Runelle Q, Abby B

**Team 5:** Maddy O

**Team 6:** Beatrix Ml, Simona F, Chloe O

**Team 7:** Dempsey H

These teams have all worked together to answer hard and easy logic questions. We had to do it all on WebEx which was quite difficult, also we each had to use teamwork and we had to show lots of out of the box thinking because the challenge had lots of logic questions not just maths ones, anyway, we persevered, and we all finished the challenge which is awesome. We haven't found out if we got all of them right but when we do, we will definitely let everyone know! We hope for the best.

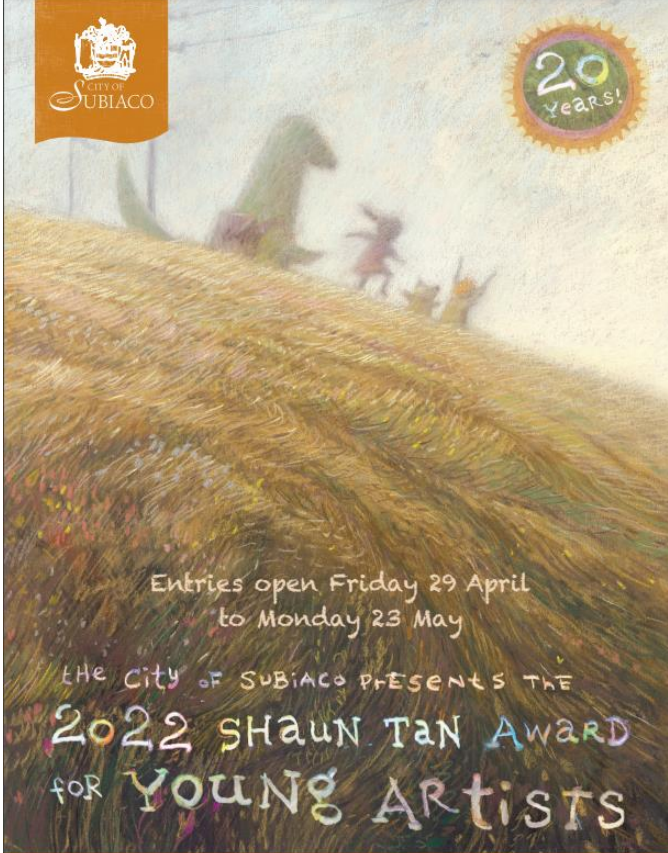


## Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists

The City of Subiaco presents the twentieth annual Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists in 2022. This visual art award is open to Western Australian school students and encourages imagination, innovation and creativity. The Shaun Tan Award is open to Western Australian school students in years one to twelve. Artworks submitted must be an original, two-dimensional (2D) creation, no bigger than 1 metre x 1.5 metres in size. Artworks must be the sole work of the entrant – group or joint entries will not be considered. Entry is limited to one per person.

Online entries will open Friday 29 April at 9.30am and close on Monday 23 May at 5.30pm.

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    Janet Holmes a Court AG



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U12 Boys/Girls mixed  
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U16 Boys  
U18 Boys  
Senior Men 16+

**Friday nights (Mirrabooka)**  
U16 Girls  
U18 Girls

**Saturday (Centenary Park Wilson)**  
Senior Ladies 16+

Season begins April and ends in September.

Want to join our Mens Pre-Season Carnival??  
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Interested in volunteering??  
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Want more information about the upcoming season??  
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