

The Beacon



BEACONSFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 4. Whilst it is always a busy term, it is always fulfilling as we reflect back on the year and celebrate how far we have all come. It is hard to believe that in only a matter of months we will be farewelling our Year 6 students, while our Pre-Primary children will be ready to go to the 'big school'.

Parent events:

We value our partnership with the parents and families of Beaconsfield Primary. We are lucky to have two parent events occurring in the next fortnight. On Thursday, 25 October, **Paul Litherland from Surf Online Safe** will be presenting to Year 4-6 students in the day, culminating in a parent presentation at 6:30. Paul was a WA Police Officer for over 20 years and is highly regarded as one of Australia's key speakers on internet awareness. Recognised Australia wide, Paul helps parents understand the networks



and systems used by our children and provides information and tips that are vital for maintaining safe online behaviours.

On 31 October, we invite parents of children aged 2-8 to attend our **Triple P Parenting seminar 'The Power of Positive Parenting'**. The seminar is aimed at every parent who ever wondered: "Why does my child do that?" It helps you understand the reasons kids do what they do, so you can

guide their behaviour – and see more of the behaviour you like, and less of the behaviour you don't like. You can register online at <https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au-uk/en/find-help/triple-p-parenting-in-western-australia/> or via the front office. This is open to all members of our community so please feel free to invite friends and family members.



Breaking news:

I have just returned from the Interschool Athletics Carnival where I was impressed with the positive attitude of all competitors and wonderful display of sportsmanship. Ray Palermo will be able to provide you with a more detailed report next newsletter, however I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Zara Veverka. She was named Champion Intermediate Girl. Well done Zara! Thank you to our staff and parents who assisted Mr P to make the day a success.



Upcoming Events

Monday 22 October:

Edudance

Tuesday 23 October:

Rugby Tackle State Finals

Wednesday 24 October

Yr6 Puberty talk

Tinker Club

Thursday 25 October: Paul

Litherland Parent

Presentation 6:30pm

Edudance

Friday 26 October:

Room 16 Assembly

Yr 6 Social Dance

Junior Tabloids 11:10—1:10

Monday 22 October:

Edudance

Yr 3 Bunnings Incursion

Tuesday 30 October:

IMSS Music Extravaganza at Fremantle College

Wednesday 31 October

Tinker Club

Triple P Parenting Seminar

1-3 pm Library

Thursday 1 November

Edudance

Count Us In Singalong

Friday 2 November

Yr 6 Social Dance

Constable Care incursion



National Schools Opinion Survey:

We value the feedback of our community. It allows us to best meet the needs for all our stakeholders. In our biennial parent survey we provide an opportunity for parents and caregivers to have a say about their child's school. All parents are invited to complete this short survey which is open until the 9 November, 2018. Please follow the attached link. <https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/XQde3yXx>

Staffing:

We are thrilled to announce that Andi Hill was recently made permanent in her position as Deputy Principal. This allows us to build a stable administration team and provides consistency of approach for the future.

Class Placement Requests:

We understand that individual class placements can have a significant effect on a student's attainments. The staff of Beaconsfield Primary School will recommend allocation of students to classes to ensure there is a balance of ability, behaviour, gender, year levels and friendship groups across the classes. The final decision about placement will rest with the school administration. Should you have specific information about your child that you believe would impact upon decisions about classroom placement, you are welcomed to contact me in writing or by email at Kirsten.Dicker@education.wa.edu.au before Friday 2 November. This information will be referenced, along with other available information, during the class placement process. Please be aware that while all requests will be considered, they will be accommodated where possible, based on the educational needs of the student.

2019 Planning:

Planning has begun for the 2019 school year. If you won't be returning next year, please let our friendly office staff know so that we can make the appropriate adjustments to our projected student numbers. If you know of local families who may have just moved to the area or are looking for a new school, please let them know we would love to welcome them into our wonderful school community. I am happy to meet with any prospective families to discuss our school and plans for 2019 and beyond.

Attendance:

Well done to Room 17 who have had 100% attendance since the beginning of Term. Our class with the most improved attendance is Room 19 who have increased their attendance rate by 9.3% since last term. Next Friday they will have 10 minutes additional recess to recognise their improved attendance.

Kirsten Dicker

Principal

19 October 2018

Lunch Clubs: Due to popular demand, our staff will be running lunchtime clubs during the week. Children can choose to opt in for any amount of time with the aim to provide opportunities for students to engage in organised activities. The clubs were chosen after feedback from students at the Faction Assembly. For the remainder of this term, the following will be offered:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Games and Chess—in Room 10	Music—in the Music Room	Mindfulness—in the library	Art—the Art Room	Social Dance—in the undercover area

Athletics News: At our Assembly, on Friday 26 October, medals will be presented to our Champion and Runner Up athletes from our Term 3 Faction Athletics Carnival.

On the same day, Beaconsfield Primary School's Junior Tabloid Day will be happening between Recess and Lunch, on the Side Oval. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to watch our Pre-Primary and Year 1 students having fun as they participate in many enjoyable activities including foam javelin throws, hurdles, zig-zag relays and tugs of war. Afterwards, families are more than welcome to enjoy lunch on the oval together.

Mr Palermo—Physical Education Specialist

Community event: The Fremantle Rotary Club is holding a Fundraiser Night for the Katina Woodruff Foundation. The Foundation is a non-profit organisation that exists to repair young lives and help with unique challenges of child immigration. We are lucky to have Katina Woodruff-Roberts, the founder, working closely with the staff and students at Beaconsfield PS, bringing her personal experience and passion to support our IEC children who are experiencing traumatic transitions. This event has been scheduled for Thursday evening November 8th at the Fremantle Arts Centre. The details are as follows: <https://www.fac.org.au/whats-on/post/movies-making-a-difference/> They have chosen a family friendly movie to cater for any children who may attend with their parents.

Safe Crossing on Hampton Road: Through July and August 2018 the City of Fremantle presented two amended design options to improve pedestrian safety at the intersection of Hampton Road and Scott Street, South Fremantle. During this consultation period they held a community information session at Beaconsfield Primary School and received 186 responses on My Say Freo. After considering the feedback from the community engagement and consultation with stakeholders the City is recommending **option 1**. The option includes:

- Move the guarded school pedestrian crossing approximately 50 metres south of its current location and create a new guarded school pedestrian crossing, complete with median island refuge and also pedestrian crossing lights that will flash at peak, before and after school crossing times.
- Remove the existing guarded school pedestrian crossing.
- Move the existing northbound bus stop approximately 20m north of its existing location, to provide a safe distance from the guarded school pedestrian crossing.
- Reinstate access for vehicles turning right into Scott Street through the removal of the trial median installed in March 2017.
- Trial the use of a riley kerb system (rumble device) to deter vehicle lane changes on the approach to the guarded school pedestrian crossing.

An aerial concept of the design can be viewed or downloaded on the My Say Freo page.

Year 3s W.A. Maritime Museum Excursion

On Thursday the 11 October, Rooms 19 and 20 went on an excursion to the W.A. Maritime Museum. As soon as we stepped through the doors we were amazed. There were so many interesting things to see. We all got to explore some ships, sea creatures, history and oceans (not to mention a massive Mega mouth!!) After we had done some exploring around the museum, all the students met outside the “Antarctica Virtual Reality Theatre”. Everyone was desperate to go inside and put on the VR headsets. When we finally got inside we put on our headsets and were magically transported to Antarctica! We discovered the cold ocean, cute fluffy penguins, the Southern lights and of course the freezing ice and snow. When Room 19 and 20 left the museum, everybody was tired but happy because we all had had an awesome excursion.



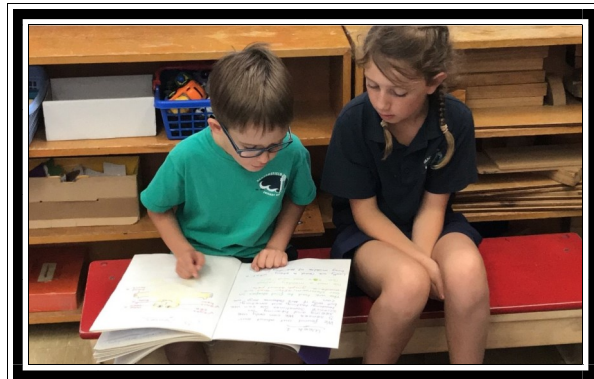
By Willow



Buddy Class between Room 20's Year 3 students and Seahorse's Pre-Primary students.

Buddy classes are a great way to network across year groups. It gives the older student a sense of responsibility. It also creates a safe environment to develop social and leadership skills. The students are paired based on personal interests and personality.

Usually, the students have a task or a goal to achieve together. Students are encouraged to communicate positively and ask questions to build up their self-confidence. It is also a great opportunity to practise empathy and respect to peers, which discourages bullying.



Fremantle Excursion

On Thursday 20th of September Room 16 went on an excursion into Fremantle. We visited the Maritime and Shipwreck Museum and enjoyed a lunch at Sweetlips.

When we arrived to Fremantle, Room 16 enjoyed an early lunch at Sweetlips. Students got to choose to have chicken and chips, squid and chips or fish and chips.

After lunch, we went to the Shipwreck Museum. We were taught all about the two plates left by Dirk Hartog and de Vlamingh and how the European explorers first made contact with Australia and the indigenous first people. Exploring the museum we saw amazing artefacts that were discovered off the coast of Western Australia at some of the historic shipwreck sites. We also were able to see part of one of the ships too, the 'Batavia'.

On the way to the Maritime Museum we were able to stop at the Roundhouse to observe the cannon firing. It was an amazing experience to see a real life cannon in action, not to mention very loud. Intrigued by the cannon, Mr D asked if students could also be shot out of it. I hope he was joking.

We last went to the Maritime Museum where we got dressed up as crew members and captains. Many students were able to draw their own sea creatures and bring them to life on a big screen. There were many interactive activities at the museum like being able to recreate the experience of rowing a boat and there was also a massive ship you could go in.

Over all Room 16 had an amazing day out in Fremantle. We can't wait for our next adventure.

By Carissa



Master puzzle makers



The Senior EALD class says thank you to our librarian Mrs Maggie Hill.

We've loved putting together this puzzle which contains 1000 pieces.

It wasn't easy! We started in Term 2 and finished in Term 4!

We're so proud of ourselves.



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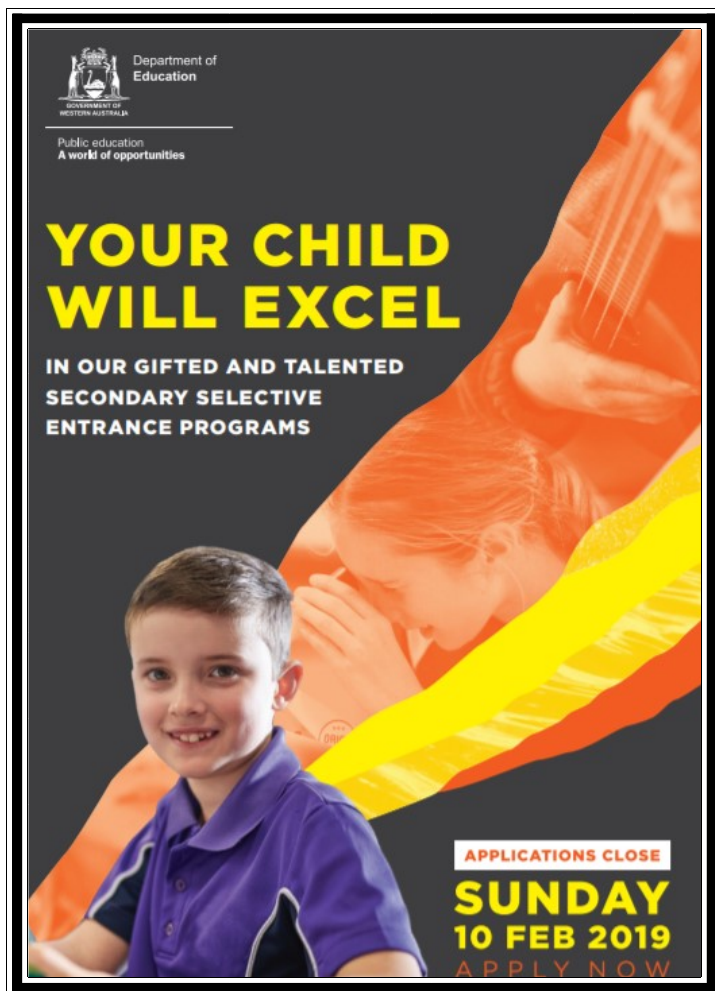
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WAAPA Summer School 2018/2019

This Summer WAAPA at ECU, Mt Lawley is offering an exciting performing arts program for students from Years 1 to 12. The Summer School includes classes in RAP, Acting, Dance, Drama, Screen Performance, Music Theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare. For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit WAAPA Summer School or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au

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