The Beacon



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Dear parents and caregivers

We have recently enrolled a number of new families for 2019. Please help us spread the word about our beautiful school and our capacity to enrol students. If you are not returning to Beaconsfield in 2019 please notify the office or your child's classroom teacher.

We look forward to welcoming our new Kindergarten families to the orientation day on Friday 30 November. As our newest members of our school community get to explore the school environment for the first time, our oldest students will be attending their own high school orientations over the coming weeks. While these visits will be filled with excitement, trepidation and nerves, we know that they are well and truly prepared to embrace everything the future holds.

Thank to those families who completed our parent survey online. Your feedback is highly valued. These results will now be collated and shared with our staff and our school Board to support our planning for 2019. We welcome all feedback and see this as an opportunity to celebrate what we are doing well and look for ways to improve. From your responses, we know that our relationship with the community has improved, we are listening to your opinions and you believe the school is being well led. Areas you identified as needing improvement are in regards to teaching and learning, including parent-teacher communication and academic extension. We feel confident that our new business plan that outlines our school improvement will address these concerns.

Through our partnership with the Rottnest Island Foundation, we have been offered a very unique fundraising opportunity. We have been offered the Rottnest Island

Foundation Calendars to sell to our community. These beautifully photographed calendars make a great Christmas gift or Secret Santa present. The calendar retails for \$10. Our school's P&C will receive \$4.50 from the sale of each calendar, while the rest of the proceeds will go straight to funding the Foundation's work on the Island.



Both the school and the Island, which is such an integral part of our community, benefit. A massive thank you to Katherine Woodall and the P&C who have taken on this fundraising project.

Upcoming Events

Monday 19 November:

Edudance

Wednesday 21 November:

Italian Incursion

Tinker Club

Thursday 22 November:

Edudance

Friday 23 November

Room 15 Assembly

Year 6 Social Dance

Monday 26 November:

Edudance

Wednesday 28 November:

RAC Incursion

Kindy Orange and Purple Pirate and Mermaid day

Tinker Club

Thursday 29 November

Edudance

Friday 30 November

Faction Assembly

Kindy Orientation day 9:30-10:30am

Kindy Turquoise Pirate and Mermaid day

Year 6 Social Dance

P&C Community Picnic 3:00-

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Term 4, Week 6

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the P&C's Community Picnic on the side oval, Friday 30 November from 3.00pm – 6.00pm. Bring a picnic or take advantage of the sausage sizzle or the other drinks and treats on offer.

Our community spirit was never more evident at the end of last year when we donated a significant number of gifts for children and families in need. Thank you to Anna Clippingdale and Sara Bell for again organising this. Twenty local families have been identified by Centrecare as being at risk of homelessness and will find it difficult to make Christmas special for their children this year. Please feel free to grab a gift tag from the Christmas tree in the administration area. It is a wonderful opportunity to involve your children in the discussion about giving and compassion. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for further information.

As the weather heats up, please remind your child to ensure their hat is in their bag and they have a water bottle to refill throughout the day.

Have a wonderful week!

Kirsten Dicker

Principal

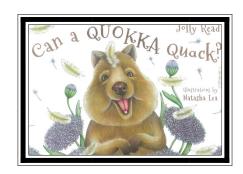
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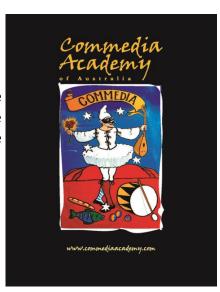
Commedia Academy Italian Incursion

On Wednesday the 21 November the Commedia Academy of Australia will be performing their hilarious show called "Il Frutto Magico". This is an interactive performance in English and Italian and students are encouraged to participate throughout the show! The cost of the incursion is \$6.50.

Library News

Thank you to the Read family for donating the book, Can a Quokka Quack? By Jolly Read. I am sure our staff and students will enjoy the work of this local author.





Swimming Lessons

The Term 4 Pre-Primary to Year 2 Interm Swimming Lessons will be taking place at Fremantle Leisure Centre from Monday 3 December until Thursday 13 December. It is expected that children attend this important component of the curriculum. The payment of \$35.00 is due by Friday 23 November 2018.

Year 3 and 1 Buddy Class

3D Maths/STEM Showcase

Last week Year 1 (2 Room) and their Buddy Class Year 3 (Room 19) showcased their mathematical knowledge. Using straws and pipe-cleaners, students worked together to build models of 3D objects. First students had to plan the number and size of straws they needed for their structure, before problem solving how they would construct the object. They did a fantastic job creating a wonderful display of pyramids and prisms that are now hanging in Room 2.









Rooms 19 & 20

On Wednesday, Bunnings visited Rooms 19 & 20 to conduct an incursion with us. We made toolboxes that required the students to hammer nails into wood. This was a great, yet loud activity which was enjoyed by all students. All students are now busy decorating their boxes





The Fathering Project

The Beacy Dads and their kids had a great time learning how to windsurf, having a go at stand up paddle boarding and even trying a hand at kayaking. The breeze was in, spirits were high and the smiles were plentiful. All the kids got pretty wet and had a great time. Big thanks to Tim Brazier for making this event happen.

Don't forget dads, the kids love to see their parents helping out in the canteen. So if you get the chance to volunteer in the school canteen, it's worth the time you can put in to make your kids' day.

Look out for the 2nd annual Rottnest camp in Term 1 next year. The red rider pass is currently available for a short few weeks only through Rottnest express - offering a cheap multi pass on travel to Rottnest.

Gabe Hammond









Beacy Primary Christmas Giving Tree 2018 Beaconsfield Primary School is holding a Christmas Giving appeal to help families in our area who are struggling this year The Sky Service, run by Centrecare, has identified twenty families in our area who are currently at risk of homelessness and will find it difficult to purchase gifts for their children. for each of the 60 children in these families along with We have made some tags describing the children and what kinds of things they are interested in. There will be a Giving Tree set up in the courtyard outside the staffroom (behind the school office). Class teachers will help Beacy students pick a tag to take home in Week 7 and we would appreciate it if you could place the gift under the tree with the tag attached so we know who the gift is for by the Thursday of week 9 (6 December). Parents are welcome to visit the tree and collect additional tags or swap tags. Also please donate any additional non-perishable hamper items you think the families might enjoy at Christmas.

We will present the gifts to a representative of Centrecare at our end of year assembly in week 10.

Remember to wrap the gift and attach the tag. Please return any tags to the tree that you do not

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intend to use - so we can keep a track of which children been purchased a gift.





