The Beacon



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Dear Beaconsfield Primary School community

As you will see from the summary of events below, we have packed a lot into a short working week!



Swimming Trials

Yesterday, 77 Year 3-6 students walked to Fremantle College to compete in the swimming trials. Students had the opportunity to try the distance and strokes, while it gave Mr Barker a chance to organise the divisions ensuring fairer races for the upcoming carnival. A huge thank you to Mr Barker for taking on the mammoth job and to the staff who assisted. We were also lucky to have the help of Julia Bauk and Nina Salib. Thank you to those parents who came along to enjoy the sun and watch the action. We are very grateful for the generosity of Myles Draper and the Fremantle College staff who allowed us to use their fantastic facilities. The Swimming Carnival will take place on Wednesday 28 March, 12:30-3:00 at the Fremantle Leisureplex.

NRLWA Clinics

On Wednesday, our Year 4-6 students were treated to an information session by NRLWA. After a meet and greet with players from the New Zealand Warriors in the undercover area, they then listened to a talk on resilience and dedication followed by a Q & A.



Upcoming Events

March 12

Playgroup 9am -10:30am

March 16

Room 17 Assembly 9am

National Day of Action
Against Bullying

Dress like your Hero

School Disco 5pm – 7pm

March 20

GRIP Leadership Conference

March 22

Tag Rugby Carnival

March 23

Harmony Day Assembly

March 25

P&C Busy Bee

Leadership Conference Fundraising

We are incredibly proud of our student leadership group. They are proactive, hardworking and enthusiastic. Most importantly, like any great leaders, they lift and inspire those around them. On Tuesday, March 20, Mrs Tuttle and I will be taking our leaders to the Grip Leadership conference so they can hone their budding leadership skills. In order to cover the cost of this excursion, they are fundraising by asking all Beaconsfield students to *Dress Like Your Hero*, on Friday March 16. They urge everyone to remember that 'heroes don't always wear capes!'

Rottnest Island Foundation

Beaconsfield Primary is lucky to be a friend of the Rottnest Island Authority. One of their board members, Mrs Denise Hilsz has been working tirelessly with our Beacy Champion Dads, to ensure they get to fully experience the Island when they visit in April. She will be visiting our Community Assembly next week to explain more about the Foundation's work and to present each family with a special gift.

National Day of Action Against Bullying

Beaconsfield Primary is proud to be one of the schools taking a stand against bullying with the National Day of Action on March 16. Our students will be engaged in activities to raise awareness in preventing and reducing bullying. You can learn more about the day and find lots of resources at https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/NationalDay



Harmony Day

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on March 23 with a number of events. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity — a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The Day coincides with the <u>United Nations International Day for</u>

the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Our diversity makes Australia a great place to live and the diversity amongst Beaconsfield Primary certainly makes it a wonderful school. The message of Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs', and the Day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster sense of belonging for everyone. Please see the poster attached to the newsletter for the events we will be hosting on the day.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast is being served at 8:15am every morning from the kitchen in the Senior Block. All we ask is that students do their dishes once they have eaten. We are usually packed away by 8:40 and welcome any parent help. A big thank you to Kerry Kelton, Janette Tuttle and a number of Year 6 students for all their hard work in ensuring this initiative is a success.

Gilbert's Fresh

At the last assembly we were visited by Anne from Gilbert's Fresh who presented our school with a cheque for \$261. This money has been raised through the Support Our Schools Program. Every dollar spent by customers supporting our school is 1% to us! Customers raised a total of \$161 and Gilbert's generously an additional \$100.

We thank Gilbert's for this wonderful initiative and encourage our families to nominate our school as a beneficiary when shopping there.

Kirsten Dicker Principal 9 March 2018



Term 1, Week 6

Classroom News

Rotto News

Hello from Rottnest Campus! February has had some special highlights over here on the island.



The Channel Swim was a huge event on Saturday 24th February and the children's Open Water Competition was held in Thomson Bay on Sunday. Two of our students, Noah McLaughlin and Sophie Thomson, successfully participated in the event.

We were featured in Channel Nine's Today Show Weather Watch with Natalia Cooper, appearing nationally and locally in Perth, on Wednesday, 28 February. It was an early rise that day, getting up at 4:30 to be on air just after 5am!

Here is a recount by our Year 5 student, Chathumi Abeyaratne:

THE TODAY SHOW AT ROTTO

On Wednesday I had to wake up at 4:30 in the morning. We all rode down to meet at the settlement.

As soon as we got there, the film crew said to stand near the big tree to start. They asked us who wanted to tell about why we like Rottnest Island. I volunteered to talk!

Next we went home to eat some breakfast because it was AGES until school! Then I had exciting news. We could come back for some more video shots of us at 7:00am for Perth to see us on TV.

After that we headed back to the Settlement. This time I ran with Sophie and her family. Eventually we got there and I was so excited. For the second time I volunteered to talk because it was a once in a life time opportunity. I really gave it my **best.**

Unfortunately, we had to go back home AGAIN! It was very frustrating going back and forth. I was very excited to finally get to school. I had a wonderful experience which was worth waking up early for. After I went to school I was tired and exhausted but very excited. What a terrific day!

Canteen at Rottnest



This year, we are trialling food prepared by the students for canteen lunch each Thursday. The school kitchen garden is harvested and we use additional fresh produce to make the dishes. So far, we have made pizza, tacos, frittata and fried rice. Fresh fruit is served for dessert. Last week the students tried Dragon Fruit for the first time ever!



P&C NEWS

School Disco

Hi Everyone,

Fantastic to see that there is already excitement around the upcoming Disco on Friday the 16th of March from 5pm - 7pm.

However, it is important that the permission forms are NOT returned to the school. Forms will only be collected at the entrance to the disco. We apologise if this was not clear in the mail out, I know the students might be worried that they will miss out. However we have no limit on numbers so as long as each student brings the completed form on the night with the \$5 entry fee they will be admitted.

Just a reminder that children under the age of 9 also need direct supervision.

We are looking for volunteers to fill some spots on the night, these are at the sausage sizzle, in the canteen and on the doors. We're using SignUp.com to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: http://signup.com/go/RCQfTuC
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.

Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

We are all looking forward to a fun - Under the Sea themed night!

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Please dress in orange and join us for

Beaconsfield Primary School Harmony Day

Friday March 23 from 9am

Celebrations will include:

- Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony by Mr. Brett Collard
- · Choir Performance- The Welcome Song
- Intensive English Centre Performances
- Open classrooms
- · Morning tea picnic on the side oval
- Art installation

Celebrations will conclude at 11.10.

Please bring a gold coin donation

