



BEACONSFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Beacon

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UPCOMING EVENTS

18 March

Rottnest Swimming lessons
commence

21 March

Harmony Day assembly and
picnic

25 March

Leaders Conference

27 March

Board Meeting

28 March

Parent Workshop on Phonics

30 March

Kitchen Garden Busy Bee

5 April

Swimming Carnival

Rottnest Fathering Project
Camp

Dear parents and caregivers

It was wonderful to see so many parents attend our Reading parent workshop last week. The links between home and school are incredibly important and when strengthened, have profound impacts upon learning. A big thank you to Karen Mackin, our Literacy Coordinator, for running the session. We look forward to seeing you all at the Phonics workshop in Week 8.

Letters will be sent home next week to recognise students with an attendance rate of 99% or above for the first half of the term. We are working to meet our Business Plan target of raising our average attendance rate from 93% to 95%. Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning and allows students to build on knowledge and skills each day. Consistent attendance and participation are essential for all students' social and academic learning.

Please speak to your children about the importance of road safety and reinforce the message that the staff carpark is not a thoroughfare. A near miss was reported by a bus driver this week, where a student ran out in front of one of the IEC buses.

Have a great weekend.

Kirsten Dicker
Principal

Parent Workshop on Phonics

Thank you to the large number of parents who came to the parent workshop on home reading. At that session, some parents indicated that they would like to have a parent session on phonics so we will also run a phonics parent workshop. This will be aimed at parents of students in Pre-primary, Year One or Year Two but is open to all parents.

When: Thursday 28 March from 2.30 -3.00 p.m.

Where: Staffroom

Phonics is an important part of the instruction in Reading and Spelling and therefore it is very helpful for parents to have some knowledge of phonics. During this session I will outline the phonics program used at our school and how you can assist your child.

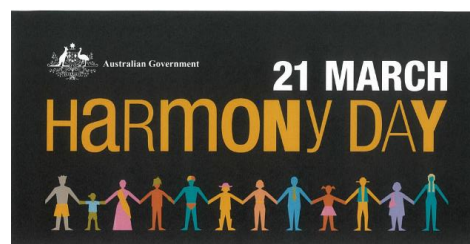


Karen Mackin

Literacy Coordinator

Harmony Day

On the 21 March, we will be celebrating Harmony Day. Students are encouraged to dress up in traditional clothing or wear the colour orange. The day will begin with an assembly commencing at 9.00am. This will include Acknowledgement of Country, student merit awards and a Smoking ceremony. Families are then invited into their child's classroom to take part in Harmony Day activities. Everyone is invited to bring a morning tea picnic to share with their children on the side oval from 10:30am. Throughout the day students from Years 1-6 will be engaged in a number of activities exploring Aboriginal history and culture, including the Boomerang, rock painting and Mia Mia construction. The cost per student is \$5.00 and is payable to the front office by 19 March.



Harmony Day Morning / Afternoon Tea in Kindy

We invite Kindy parents to join us for afternoon tea to celebrate the cultural diversity we have at Beaconsfield Primary School. Bring a plate of finger food to share that reflects the country that your family comes from or your cultural heritage.

Turquoise: Wednesday 20 March – Morning Tea from 9am

Purple/Orange: Thursday 21 March – Afternoon Tea from 2pm

We hope that you can join us for this wonderful celebration!



Music News

We have approximately 50 students in the choir this year. It's been great to see so much interest, and such focus and enthusiasm during our first rehearsals. Our first project has been to learn the song Everyone Belongs for Harmony Day, which the choir will perform at the assembly. We have been challenging ourselves by learning some new harmonies and some rapping sections.



In the Music classroom, students have been practising writing their rhythmic notation, with students from Years 3 to 6 then using this notation to create, rehearse and perform an ostinato. The Year 6's have been 'rocking the room' with their whole class drumming ensembles using bucket drums and djembes. I'm sure it could be heard through-out the whole school as they played We Will Rock You and Uptown Funk!



L`Angolo Italiano

*Benvenuti alla prima edizione di L`Angolo Italiano.
Welcome to the first edition of The Italian Corner.*

The corner is designed to entice, enthuse and involve the entire school community into the target language studied in our school.

L`Angolo Italiano will present a series of words, phrases and facts to be shared, in the hope that student knowledge and participation will increase. Please enjoy.

Words:

- Per favore – Please
- Grazie – Thankyou
- Prego – You are welcome

Phrases:

- Buon giorno. Mi chiamo Signora Harrison, e tu, come ti chiami? Hello. My name is Mrs Harrison and what is your name?
- Arrivederci. Goodbye. A presto. See you soon.

Facts:

- The capital city of Italy is ROMA.
- Italy has 20 regions and two independent states (San Marino & Vatican City).
- Italy is found in Southern Europe and is shaped like a boot.



*Fino alla prossima volta, buon divertimento.
Until next time, have fun.*

Signora Harrison

Rottnest Campus News

Our students have designed and converted an old cupboard and have made it into a very attractive and useful Community Library. Next week, students will distribute their school-made posters to alert the island community as to the whereabouts of the new service.

After school this week, our two Year 4 students were involved in the making of a new safety video, very soon to be used on board all of the Rottnest Express ferries. Keep your eyes peeled for Noah McLaughlin and Sophie Thomson on your next ferry trip to Rotto!



ACHIEVEMENTS

"The Zones"

My sister and I started our first little athletics season with the UWA athletics club. We trained once a week and competed on Saturdays. At the end of the season we competed in our club championships 'The Zones' which qualified both of us to compete at the 2019 State Little Athletics Championships, which were held last weekend at the WA Main Athletics Stadium.



Jayde and I competed in three events each. My results were: silver in the shot put and making the finals for my running events. My sister got the gold medal for 200m and two bronze medals for the 100m and hurdles.

We had so much fun and have made so many friends over the season.

P.S. My younger brother Cael also competes in little athletics but was too young to qualify for the state championships.

By Zara V, Room 18

Fathering Project

Don't forget to register for the Rottnest camp coming up soon.

Places are still available, but please get in quick. We have 2 nights on Rottnest in the campground, from Friday 5 April to Sunday 7 April. In fact we have the whole campground just for us, right next to Pinky's beach. \$120.00 will get you accommodation, activities, breakfasts and dinners. You will need to provide your own tent and sleeping gear. We are also in the process of getting a great deal with Sealink ferries.

Please email beacydads@gmail.com with your expression of interest, and we will send you a link to register.

Gabe Hammond

WIN A FREE TRIP TO ROTTO

Voluntary Contribution Payment Incentive.

The financial support of parents is valued and plays a significant role in providing resources that contribute to creating educational opportunities for all students to be successful. The funds enable the purchase of resources to enhance teaching and learning environment at Beaconsfield Primary School.



Thank you to all the families who have already paid the school voluntary contribution of \$60.00. This year we have introduced a prize incentive to encourage all families to pay the fee. The prize is a two adult, same day return trip to Rottne Island, which can be used in conjunction with Sealink's Summer Special where children aged 4-12 travel free.

To be eligible for the prize draw, the voluntary contribution must be paid prior to 31 March, 2019.

PIZZA OVEN & FOOD STALLS
CRAFT STALLS
KIDS ACTIVITIES
LIVE MUSIC



TWILIGHT FAIR

AND EARTH HOUR CELEBRATION

Hilton Harvest Community Garden
Rennie Cr, Hilton
Saturday 30 March 2019
4.00pm - 8.30pm

\$5 entry by donation
Kids free



COCKBURN COUGARS HOME OPENER

WALLY HAGAN STADIUM

JOIN OUR SEA OF BLUE IN 2019

\$10/ADULT
\$5/KID
\$25/FAMILY



VS

SATURDAY MARCH 16

ROUND 1 FITNESS
COCKBURN COUGARS
WOMEN: 5PM

TIP-OFF

PRESTIGE HONDA
COCKBURN COUGARS
MEN: 7PM



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