The Beacon



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Dear parents and caregivers

Today we have been very privileged to listen to our aspiring 2019 leaders speak to their peers. They impressed us with their demonstration of the school values and ability to clearly articulate their suitability for the role. Whilst we know they won't all become school leaders in 2019, we can be assured that we have many students who encompass wonderful leadership qualities and understand the importance of acting with integrity. The announcement of successful candidates will be made at the final assembly on Thursday 13 December. Families will be informed so that they can attend.

Over the past week, we have witnessed a number of talented students demonstrate their fabulous skills to a dedicated panel of judges. They wowed us with singing, dancing, magic and instrumental prowess, of a level that even Red Symons would be impressed by! Due to the quality of performances, we have increased our concert to include 16 performers. Students have been informed today that the following acts will be performing next week:

Performer	Year	Act
Trent	Year 2	Piano
Amelie, Grace, Tarren, Mackenzie	Year 6	Comedy Act
Ava	Year 1	Dance/Acro
Lara and Maya	Year 2	Singing and Uke
Yannick, Gulsha, Georgia	Year 3	Band
Luke	Year 2	Rubik's cube
Isla, Jess and Ruby	Year 4	Sing and dancing
Adayna	Year 3	Piano
Minnie	Year 1	Magic
Ava, Olivia and Saskia	Year 3	Dance
Massimo, Darcy, Rohan and Brady	Year 5	Band
Amy, Polly and Evelyn	Year 5	Dance
Xavier and Isaac R	Year 3	Didgeridoo
Art	Year 4	Piano
Clancy and Santi	Year6	Band

A reminder that through our partnership with the Rottnest Island Foundation, we have 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.

Upcoming Events Monday 3 December

Edudance

PP - Year 2 Swimming starts

Tuesday 11 December:

P&C Meeting—7:30pm

Wednesday 5 December:

Room 15/16 excursion to movies

Thursday 6 December:

2pm Edudance Concert

Friday 7 December:

9am—Beacy's Got Talent assembly

Year 6 Social Dance

Monday 10 December:

2pm Edudance Concert

Tuesday 11 December:

Year 6 Graduation dinner dance— 6:15pm Fremantle Sailing Club

Wednesday 12 December:

9am Thank You morning tea

Reports home

Thursday 13 December:

PP-Year 2 Swimming - last day

9am Presentation and Graduation final assembly

2:15pm Christmas singalong

Last day of school

Friday 14 December

School Development day—no students

We have tentatively finalised our class structure for 2019. Please note that this subject to change due to a number of potential factors that may occur between now and the beginning of the year. Students will be allocated to classes and this will be released after 2pm, Friday 1 February. Should you have any queries, please make an appointment to speak to me.

Year	Teacher/s
К	Dea Hughes
К	Sarah Williamson
К	Sarah Billingham
РР	Adrienne Nunn and Sonnai Quinn
РР	Di Nottage
YR 1	Carolyn Park
YR 1	Kyle Oakley
YR 2	Brooke Gray
YR 2	Nicola Jacobs
YR 3	Sarah Lechte and Chloe Hart
YR 3	Jo Salmond
YR 4	Danielle Sukys and Nikki Wiseman
YR 4/5	Louise Glassborow
YR 5	Lauren Osborne
YR 6	Janette Tuttle
YR 6	Awa Dansey
Rottnest	Caroline Freel and Jenny Priemus
PE	ТВС
Music	Avril Mulligan
Visual Arts	Veronica Wood
Tech/Science	Brett Morellini
Languages	ТВС
Literacy Support	Karen Mackin
LSC	Kerry Kelton

New uniforms: The new uniforms are in and look fantastic on our students. It is a phase-in approach, so please do not panic if you have only just recently purchased the older style uniforms. If you would like to purchase the new uniform prior to the new year, Claire is available in the uniform shop each Tuesday morning. Alternative-ly, they can be ordered through the front office or by emailing beacyuni-forms@gmail.com If you have any questions in regards to the new uniforms, I would be happy to discuss them with you.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the P&C Community Picnic. Have a wonderful weekend.



Kirsten Dicker

Principal

30 November 2019

GAMECHANGER AWARDS:

On Saturday 24 November 2018 from 8.30am to 4pm four students from Beaconsfield Primary School attended The Game Changers Awards.

Game Changer Awards is about encouraging students to reach higher by developing their creative problem-solving skills by being able to adapt to a situation and come up with a solution creatively by using logic as the backbone.

We had two teams present on the day – Project ACE with Marco Perrone and Econ with Jade Chipper, Billie Chipper and Prudence Ormsby.

Marco's entry was Project ACE where he developed a wristband that identifies diseases in the blood. This was to help with the Malaria crisis.

Billie, Jade and Prudence's entry was Econ where they developed a solar powered fan and ventilation system for cars when they are parked.

Econ won in the Year 5/6 division for Best Presentation. Congratulations to Econ and to all four of these students for doing such a fantastic job representing Beacy.







Il Frutto Magico' by the Commedia Academy of Australia

Two crazy storytellers presented the medieval story of a spoilt princess cursed by the Witch and her quest to find 'il frutto magico'. The performance used lots of audience participation and repetitive use of Italian vocabulary!

Here are some photographs from the performance:





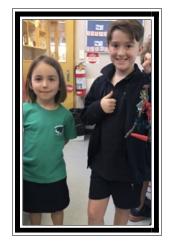


Buddy Class Christmas Fun

Last week, the Year 3's from Room 20 and the Pre-primaries in Seahorse started making Christmas craft together. We made beautiful Christmas trees out of natural materials and decorated them with ribbons, beads and wire. It required lots of team work and fine motor skills. Well done to these gorgeous students who have grown so much this year and displaying skills of responsibility and leadership.









Rottnest Kindy Orientation

On Tuesday, 27th November, we invited our pre-kindy students to spend the morning at school for the very first time! The day was themed around 'The Princess and the Pea' fairy tale.

We began the day with a fitness session, followed by Crunch & Sip. While students sat on the mat, we watched a reading of the book. Each child was given a pod of peas to look at, shown how to open the pod to find the peas inside. Then everyone had a taste of the fresh peas! Yum!

After that we sang 'The Princess on the Bed went **ouch**, **ouch ouch**!'. Then the older students were able to assist the younger students to make a very colourful and sparkly crown.

Next the students went into the Kindy room which was set up like a castle. They dressed up, coloured a castle picture, painted and played freely until recess.

After recess, the students wore their crowns, while they made name cards, by sticking coloured circles over the letters of their name. They had another free-play in the castle, squished some glittery playdough and had an opportunity for some outside play.

Eventually, we re-joined the other students in the main classroom, to make a collage of the princess on her stack of mattresses, with the pea underneath.

All too soon, it was time to go home for our newest students.

Everyone, including the teachers and parents, had a fun-filled day. I'm sure all the children needed an afternoon nap after all that busy royal activity!

See you next year...









Buddies in Room 16

On Monday afternoons, rooms sixteen and four come together to collaboratively work on projects in 'Buddies'. This week we went down to the side oval with our Year 2 counterparts to record iMovie's and Stop-Motion films. It is always a joy to host the students from Mrs Jacobs' classroom. I particularly like helping my buddy learn about how to use Stop Motion.

Some of the films that we developed included 'The Moving Jumper', 'The Portal' and 'Gymnastics, and the Stickman'. 'The Moving Jumper' was one riveting piece of filmography if I say so myself. My buddy and I loved that experience and can't wait to do it again!



Joyce Auldist

News from the School Nurse:

Mindfulness

We can often spend time with full and tangled thoughts constantly whirling around our minds and then we miss the joy of the present moment. When you're mindful, you're able to pay attention to the present moment, and not get swept up thinking about the past or worrying about the future.

Mindfulness has been shown to help manage stress, build resilience and compassion, improve focus at work or in the classroom and can help with creativity and collaboration.

Adults and children can benefit from mindfulness, especially those who have a busy or restless mind or are experiencing stress, anxiety or other mental health issues.

To learn more about mindfulness for children and young people go to https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au or http:// au.reachout.com . If you would like to try an online mindfulness meditation program for yourself or your child check out Smiling Mind.

Puberty

Puberty is an interesting time for children and their parents. Children may become bewildered or embarrassed about what is happening to them. It is important to talk to your child about the physical and emotional changes that come with puberty. Many children will start to compare his or her body with others. Remind your child that people come in all shapes and sizes. It's also important that you don't compare your child's body with anyone else's body.

Talk soon. Talk often. A guide for parents talking to their kids about sex is an excellent (free) book available from http://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/S_T/Talk-soon-Talk-often. The school has a sample of this book to look at if you would like to see it.

You can also show and discuss the Hormone Factory website with your child at http:// www.thehormonefactory.com/

Education about growth and development is usually conducted at school during years 5, 6 and 7. Your child's teacher can give you more information about the content of these classes.

If you are concerned about your child's development you can talk with your local Community Health Nurse, **Claire Visaggio on 0467775099.**

The Beacon Term 4, Week 8



DECEMBER SUMMER HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

Week 1: Monday 17th – Friday 21st December from 9.00am-12.00pm @ Fremantle Tennis Club

SPECIAL PROMOTION: Enrol for the week and receive a new Hot Shots Racquet

The clinics is heaps of fun and we focus on skill development, serving practice and learning how to play matches as well as lots of fantastic games including playing on the ball machine. Morning tea is provided and lots of great prizes. To enquire or enrol your child in the clinic for the week or a single day please contact Brendan on 0401565051 or fremantletopspintennis@gmail.com