



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Term 4

#### **Monday 14 October**

School Development Day – No students

#### **Tuesday 15 October**

Students return to school

#### **Wednesday 16 October**

Scientist in Schools

#### **Friday 18 October**

Year 3 Assembly Room 2  
Year 6 Social Dance begins

#### **Monday 21 October**

SciTech Challenge  
SEDA Football Clinics

#### **Friday 25 October**

Junior Tabloid Carnival

#### **Monday 28 October**

Swimming begins

### Dear Beaconsfield Primary School community

What a wonderful end to our Term. We've had two recent events that have brought our community together and allowed our students to demonstrate their talents. Thank you to David Andersson for your coordination of our Faction Carnival and to all our staff and parents for your enthusiasm and assistance on the day. Well done to all students who participated and exhibited the school value of Doing Your Best. Your sportsmanship, team effort and friendly competitive spirit made for a fabulous day.

Well done to Avril Mulligan for yet another successful whole school Music Concert. What a great musical display of the year's work. The effort that has gone into lessons throughout the year and the many rehearsals was evident to the enthusiastic audience!.

This week, our Year 3 and 5 students received their 2019 NAPLAN results. I am pleased to report that our focus on high quality teaching and learning, whole school approaches and explicit teaching is showing great results. This is most evident in the Reading and Writing tests, where both Year 3 and Year 5 results were above like schools. All tests, in both Year 3 and Year 5, show significant gains when compared to last year's data. Further analysis will take place on our School Development Day in Term 4, where our teachers will use the data to look at how we can target our teaching and learning for the benefit of all students.

I was very privileged to have a lunch date with 15 students on Wednesday. These students had all accumulated more than 19 Gold Slips throughout the



term, earning them a pizza lunch. They had all demonstrated our school values in many different contexts. Well done to Cooper, Toby, Marceau, Sheona, Gus, Amy, Vishnu, John, Merjem, Chloe, Ania, Sophie, Xavier, Frankie and Angel. I am incredibly proud of you all and was pleased to see so many senior students joining us this time. Thank you to Mr John for being our pizza delivery driver!



I hope you all have a restful holiday. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4.

**Kirsten Dicker**  
**Principal**



## Sports Carnival

During Term 3, our focus has been athletics. Throughout the term the children in Years 2-6 worked hard to learn the team games they participated in during the faction carnival. The children were also involved in running races and some were lucky enough to be a part of the mixed relays to conclude the carnival.

The school athletics carnival is always very exciting and this year was no exception. The children came dressed in their faction colours and we had a large number of parents cheering and supporting during the day, which makes for a great spectacle. Thank you to all the parents who attended.



Our Year 3-6 students participated in the 800m, long jump and long throw events prior to the carnival to earn points for their faction. These points also went towards the champion boy and girl scores in each year. These awards are always very close and we would like to again congratulate all our winners for 2019. We would also like to congratulate Hale faction for their great win and all the children for the sportsmanship displayed on the day.





## Results of the Day:

### Faction Results

**Lefroy** – 890 Points

**Scott** - 1136 Points

**Hampton** – 1209 Points

**Hale** – 1397 Points

### Individual Results

Girls Year 3	
Runner Up	Ruby Kitchen Brown
Champion	Zoe Guettinger
Boys Year 3	
Runner Up	Johnny Hopewell
Champion	Izac Moran
Girls Year 4	
Runner Up	Raian Ferido
Champion	Jayde Veverka
Boys Year 4	
Runner Up	Marley Grein
Champion	Isaac Robertson
Girls Year 5	
Runner Up	Isla Lindsley
Champion	Zara Veverka
Boys Year 5	
Runner Up	Jem Wilson
Champion	Kai Stanbridge
Girls Year 6	
Runner Up	Afrika Green
Champion	Evelyn Kay
Boys Year 6	
Runner Up	Sam Alford
Champion	Toby Alford



A special mention to the Wilson family for spreading the important message about climate change and making a banner.

Mr Andersson



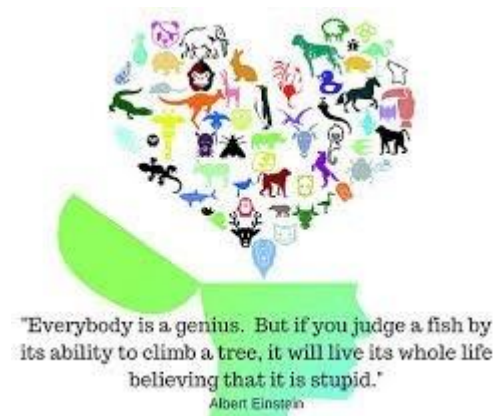
## Chaplain's Chat

Hi Beacy families,

Lucky am I, to have landed at Beaconsfield Primary! Nearing the end of three terms, I am getting to know the children across the school and have met some parents and carers.

I really enjoy being in the classroom; I talk to the kids about looking after their hearts and the hearts of others and come alongside the children who may need a little extra encouragement from time to time. Some very crafty people have made and donated some beautiful heart cushions for the children that I like to give out when I talk to the whole class or see children one on one. We talk about how unique we all are and reflect upon what makes us special and valuable as an individual and how to connect with friends in healthy ways.

Dance Club is one way to find a common interest with other groovy kids! Dance Club is on Wednesday lunchtime. Many children in the lower years have come to the music room to chill out to Zumba Kids or Go Noodle hits (and I get my cardio too!).



## Strengths Based Approach

I bring a strengths-based, solution-focussed approach to working with kids and groups and would like to share a little of what that is with you, especially since Strengths-Based Parenting is gaining traction at the moment.

## What is a strength?

Strengths-based approach considers what the individual can do, rather than focus on deficiencies. Solution-focused, as it sounds, looks to solutions and what has worked previously, rather than focus on the problem. It recognises that we all have resources, skills, attributes and abilities that we can explore and turn to, when faced with adversity. A strength has three elements; performance (we are good at it), energy (it motivates us) and use (we can choose to use it frequently). Generally, the things we love can help unearth our strengths and therefore our values and self-identity.

*[Professor Lea Waters from the Centre for Positive Psychology at the University of*

*Melbourne, has written on Strength Based Parenting, if you would like more information.]*

I am available for parents at 9am on Wednesday mornings, via email [renee.shapcott@youthcare.org.au](mailto:renee.shapcott@youthcare.org.au) or leave a message through the school office.

Kind regards

Renee

## Library News

We wish to acknowledge and thank Mr Bill Ranger who has volunteered in our school library for the past 15 years. As a former librarian, he has been a valuable source of information, support and help to our school library staff and will be missed when he finishes at the end of Term 3. We wish him all the best for the future.

**Our annual**

# BOOK FAIR

A selection of wonderful books will be on display in the library and available to purchase:  
Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th of November.  
From 8:30am before school and after school until 3:30pm.  
Students can also purchase at recess and lunchtimes on these days.

**See you at the Beacy Book Fair!**

All purchases benefit our school.  
Thank you for your support.

## Fremantle Prison Excursion Room 13



Monday morning started out bright and sunny. We left school 9:30 am sharp and walked down to the nearest CAT bus stop. When the bus arrived we got on and went to the Esplanade Park. We were there for about an hour before we went to Joe's Fish Shack to get lunch. I had chicken and chips. They were delicious!

After that we went back to the park for about 30 minutes, then we walked down to the Fremantle Prison. When we got there we put our bags in two large lockers and started our tour. The tour was very interesting. We learnt about how they punished people and where they went if they were bad. We also saw the prison yard, cells and even what they wore! There were a lot of beautiful paintings on the walls of some of the cells and in the yard, although the cells were very small.

Myself and some other of my peers got the chance to be locked in a pitch black isolation cell for about a minute. We also saw Moondyne Joe's cell, which was top to bottom wood with nails all over the walls and floor. There was almost no daylight coming into the cell so it was very dark. That concluded our tour so we walked down to the bus stop and then walked back to school with 15 minutes to spare. I was sad that it was over and I hope we can do it again soon.

By Freya

## Kitchen Garden – Rooms 8 and 12

Now that spring has arrived, Rooms 8 and 12 buddy class have been busy in our kitchen garden. We have been planting seedlings and clearing out weeds. We were lucky enough to enjoy eating the delicious mulberries from our garden.



## Room 1 reaches 200 class points on the last Monday of Term 3!

At the end of Term 2 the year 3 students in Room 1, with guidance from Mr John and their teachers Miss S and Miss Reay, worked collaboratively to create an outline of class expectations. As a team, Room 1 has been working hard to meet these expectations and in doing so, earn themselves valuable class points. A class point can only be earned when every single class member is taking responsibility for their actions and meeting the set class expectations.



With a goal of 200 points the class approached the challenge very seriously. Through teamwork and encouraging each other on a daily basis they managed to reach their goal on Day 1, Week 10 of Term 3.

The prize for reaching 200 points was that their teachers had to wear the silly dress to school that they have been designing throughout the term and they get to have a class party at the end of term to celebrate their achievements.

Miss S and Miss Reay could not be more proud with the effort and improvement each and every student in the class has made in regards to improving their behaviour and work ethic throughout Term 3. Keep up the great work Room 1!



## Rottnest News

What a busy last few weeks we've had!

Firstly, we hosted the RAC, who presented a very informative Road Safety Workshop, on Friday, 13 September.

We were also involved in the first ever Quokka Birthday Event on the Island, held on Sunday, 15 September. The Island Authority provided lots of free activities for all ages to enjoy. We assisted by organising a Cookie Decorating activity. We were inundated by a huge swarm of children, eager to try out their piping skills by attempting to put a smiley Quokka face on a large cookie.



Thanks go to the parents and students at the school, who got into the spirit of community, by generously giving their time to organise and man a Sausage Sizzle stall.

Last Friday, 20 September, the students all travelled over to Beaconsfield for the Faction Sports Carnival. Three students from Years 2-5 had a great day participating in this well-organised event.



We also appreciate and thank the warm, welcoming teachers, who consistently accept our younger students into their classrooms for the day.

## Beaconsfield Baha'i Day Camp

Where Beaconsfield Primary School  
When: 7th and 8th October (Mon&Tues)  
Time: 9am-5pm (supervised from 8am if required)  
Ages: K-Yr6  
Cost: \$10



ALL Beacy kids welcome. K to Y6 including IEC.  
Kindy kids require a parent to stay.  
We welcome any suggestions and offers of support.

Kids explore the development of good morals and community mindedness, in a meaningful yet fun way. Music, arts, games, drama, and service.

Feel free to contact any of the parents listed below for more details.

**Please register your interest by 1st October at this address:**  
[ruhiv@hotmail.com](mailto:ruhiv@hotmail.com)

Ruhi Bassari: 0404 359 996

Nasim Fozdar: 0402 200 520



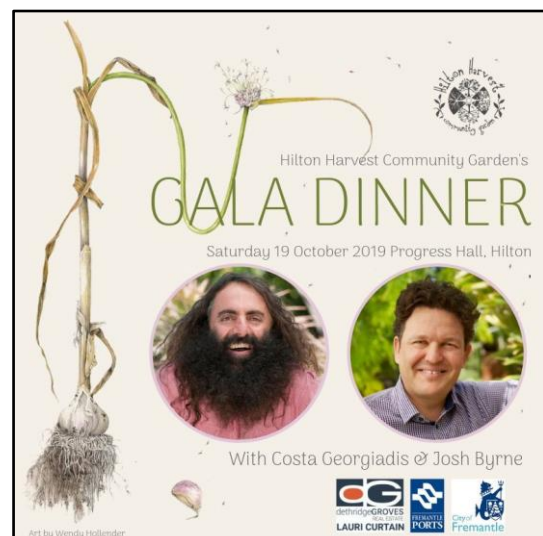
The City of Fremantle is proud to present our first ever Wide Angle Film festival to be screened at the Fremantle Maritime Museum. These fantastic short films celebrating disability and inclusion will be shown on the last weekend of the coming school holidays 12 and 13 October.

Some of the films are made by people with a disability, starring people with a disability or have a theme which focusses on inclusion.

For more information or to book into these FREE one hour sessions, please check out these links.

<https://www.fremantle.wa.gov.au/whats-on/wide-angle-film-festival-childrens-program>

<https://www.fremantle.wa.gov.au/whats-on/wide-angle-film-festival-main-program>







One and a quarter hour sessions in the Beacy Art room.  
**Every Tuesday 3.15 - 4.30pm**  
 Ten week term  
 Only 10 children per class  
 Art Class for 7 to 12 year olds

Classes start Term 4, Week 1 - October 15th  
 until Week 10 - December 17th, 2019.  
 Cost \$200.00 per child.

All you need to bring is some paints, pencils,  
 an art pad and your creativity! Plus an art  
 apron/old shirt for each child to use.

Phone Clare on 0418 929 048  
 to book.

**KIDS ART**  
**TERM 4 - AFTER SCHOOL**

Department of  
 Local Government, Sport  
 and Cultural Industries

## Woodman Point Recreation Camp October 2019 Halloween Camp



Join us if you dare... adventure  
 awaits, a frightful good time for you  
 and your mates. Fly on down to  
 Woodman Point Recreation Camp  
 these school holidays and join in the  
 fun.

**Fun and safe**  
 Activities are conducted in a fun and safe  
 environment and are supervised by qualified and  
 experienced instructors at the Woodman Point  
 Recreation Camp, 74 O'Kane Court, Coogee.

The Department of Local Government, Sport  
 and Cultural Industries reserves the right to  
 cancel the program if minimum numbers are not  
 met. Activities may change due to weather or  
 other circumstances.

**Day Programs**

Date:	Tuesday 1 October 2019
Time:	8am to 4pm
Age:	9 to 14 years
Cost:	\$70 per person
Activities:	Flying fox, archery, orienteering and rock climbing.

Date:	Wednesday 2 October 2019
Time:	8am to 4pm
Age:	9 to 14 years
Cost:	\$70 per person
Activities:	Vertical challenges, team building, search and rescue and ultimate sports.

Bookings close 23 September 2019

**Three-day Camp**

Date:	7 to 9 October 2019
Age:	9 to 14 years
Cost:	\$300 per person
Activities:	Icebreakers, ultimate sports, flying fox, escape from quarantine, search and rescue, archery, abseiling and more.

**Register online**  
[www.dscl.wa.gov.au/camps/holiday-camps](http://www.dscl.wa.gov.au/camps/holiday-camps)

**For further enquiries**  
 Debbie Courtney on 9492 9779 or  
[debbie.courtney@dscl.wa.gov.au](mailto:debbie.courtney@dscl.wa.gov.au)



## Save the Children

Save the Children is looking for donations  
 of quality 2<sup>nd</sup> hand children's toys for younger children  
 to sell in our Op Shops.

**No Soft Toys please.**

We are looking in particular for:

- Puzzles
- Games
- Barbies
- Action figures
- Fisher Price type play activity centres and suchlike

Funds raised assist vulnerable children in Western  
 Australia, Australia and overseas.

Email Sonia at  
[sonia.holmes@savethechildren.org.au](mailto:sonia.holmes@savethechildren.org.au)  
 with any queries.

We can pick up if it is a large donation.





## REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

**DO YOUR KIDS LOVE TO RUN, JUMP OR THROW?  
 DO THEY DO A WINTER SPORT & WANT TO STAY FIT OVER SUMMER?  
 ATHLETICS COULD WELL BE THEIR NEW THING  
 IT'S A GREAT WAY FOR THEM TO KEEP ACTIVE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS,  
 INVOLVE THE WHOLE FAMILY & HAVE FUN!**

**WHY NOT JOIN ONE OF OUR LOCAL CLUBS, PARTICIPATE & COMPETE  
 UNDER MELVILLE ATHLETICS CENTRE**

**SUTABLE FOR 5 - 16 YEAR OLDS - ALL ABILITIES WELCOME!**

**MORE INFO: [HTTP://MELVILLEROAR.COM](http://MELVILLEROAR.COM)  
 EMAIL: [MACEXECUTIVEOFFICER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MACEXECUTIVEOFFICER@GMAIL.COM)**

**REGISTRATIONS, FOR THE NEW SEASON, ARE NOW OPEN  
 TRAINING ON TUE &/OR WED FROM 1/10  
 COMPETITIONS FROM SAT 12 OCT**



