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BEACONSFIELD The Beacon

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Monday 9 March National Young Leaders Day

Tuesday 10 & 17 March Numero Club – Room 1

Thursday 12 & 19 March Breakfast Club from 8:15am

Friday 13 March Assembly Room 12

Friday 20 March Harmony Day School Board nominations close

Dear Beaconsfield Primary School community

Last year the Board said thank you and goodbye to two members. Myles Draper completed his tenure as a community representative. As the principal of Fremantle College, Myles provided knowledge and expertise from an education background and provided a Year 7-12 perspective in regards to the schooling context. We also said goodbye to Ben Knowles, who stepped down from his parent representative position with his daughters leaving the school. Ben brought to the Board an ability to liaise with community groups and develop submissions. We thank them both for their time and effort on the Board and know that their valued time and expertise has benefited our school.

The School Board now has two community representative and one parent representative vacancies. I would like to invite any interested parents or community members to nominate for the Beaconsfield Primary School Board. The Board's role is to represent the whole school community in setting the school's direction and priorities, and assessing the school's performance. It plays an important role in contributing to good school governance so that resources are used efficiently and community expectations and the school's priorities reflect the needs of students. If you would like to join us, please collect a nomination form from the front office. If you know of a community organisation whose work would benefit and enhance our school, please put them in touch with us. Nominations close 20 March.

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Parent reading session

A big thanks goes to Karen Mackin, our Literacy Coordinator, for providing an information session for Year 1 parents on reading. Karen explained to parents the importance of phonological awareness in the reading process and gave them a mini lesson on the 44 sounds. The PowerPoint will be shared through the Connect page and Karen is more than happy to answer any questions.

Breakfast Club

Early risers have been able to take part in Breakfast Club each Thursday morning. Our wonderful Chaplain Renee (Chappy), runs this from the canteen from 8:15am. Students have the option of toast, cereal and fruit, all served with music and a smile! While she is ably assisted by Kerry Kelton and Andi Hill each week, many staff members have been helping and we thank them for giving up their time.

Sculpture at Bathers

Well done to Veronica Wood, Mandy Hawkhead, Leonie Femia and all the families and students who participated in the Lantern ceremony on Sunday. What a wonderful showcase of our students' art and our school's connection to the greater Fremantle art community. I know an incredible amount of organisation was involved and we thank you all for giving our school this wonderful opportunity.

Have a great weekend!

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Kirsten Dicker Principal



Bathers Beach – Karla Nulla Boodja Wardarn

Last Sunday evening on the shores of Bathers Beach many families attended Karla Nulla Boodja Wardarn; a Noongar Welcome to Country ceremony honouring fire, earth and sea. It was a beautiful celebration of dance, storytelling, culture and community.

The performance concluded with the dancers passing the light onto the children, who then released and planted many a dazzling lantern into and around the Seawall Bunker pool.

The majority of the lanterns were created by our Year 2s and 3s, and families within our school community that came down the Sculpture at Bathers on Sunday mornings to contribute to the project. We would like to thank the artist, Bruce Abbott and Sculpture at Bathers for the opportunity to contribute, key staff members and parents for their invaluable assistance, plus the many wonderful lantern makers for their energy and creativity.



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The experience leaves me with two thoughts:

- 1. The invaluable role the arts play in fostering a sense of community and connection to place.
- The important role this school community has in preparing our children to carry the light into the future. Please enjoy a few photos from the evening.

Mandy Hawkhead & Veronica Wood

Sensational STEM

Seahorse, Starfish and Stingray joined together to share an exciting morning of cooking, drawing, measuring, talking, listening, predicting and eating. We watched some simple ingredients change into delicious pancakes. Everybody kept their eyes peeled for the bubbles that meant our snack would be light and fluffy. There were lots of discussions about the best way to eat pancakes. It turns out sharing with friends, and a little sprinkle of sugar, is pretty great!

Rottnest News Term 1 Week 5

Last week the students from Rottnest Campus had a visit from the Fire Chief and the Police Sergeant of the island. They were here to help us to practise the emergency procedure which we will follow in the eventuality of a bush fire on Rottnest.



Year 4 Room 16 -

Talk 4 Writing Poetry

The students in Room 16 have been exploring poetry during our Talk 4 Writing Poetry helps in language sessions. development, creative language skills, creativity, writing skills, self-expression and in the development of natural rhythms. We have been studying the different forms of poetry, such as: cinquain, haiku, free verse and rhymes. Our theme "Fire" is linked to our HASS and Science curriculum for this term and is based on the recent fires over the summer holidavs. Here are some fantastic examples of our hard work.



Abby, Alexa and Kayla



FIRE Burning embers And ashes everywhere Black smoke crowds the air Liam





Chaplain Chat

Welcome 2020, the year for 'clear vision'. For those of you I haven't met, my name is Renee and I am your school chaplain. I support the social-emotional wellbeing of the students, staff and families of Beaconsfield Primary School, on Thursdays this year. We have started a Breakfast Club at Beacy on a Thursday morning. This is a communitybuilding venture that aims to bring kids of all ages together, along with staff, parents and grandparents, to eat, play and catch-up ahead of the school day. Whether it is your first, second or third breakfast, come on down to Breakfast Club and make a new friend. Any parent or grandparent who would like to assist, please let me know.



Dance Club is on again in the music room on Thursday lunchtimes; all welcome.

I hope that this year is one filled with hope in the setting of new goals and reflecting on who we are and where we are heading. I hope to spend time in many of the classrooms again this year talking to children about looking after their hearts and those of others and the many ways we can do this.

Let there be many joyous happenings along the road this year... and when there is a bump, be sure to reach out and talk with someone.

Renee (Chappy)

Week 4 Merit Award Winners



CONSIDERATE Connor, Stephanie, Alfie, Cillian, Nikki, Toby, Lara, Yuming, Lareen, Yechan, Proud



COURAGEOUS Olivia, Levi, Charlotte, Aaleyah, Georgi, Jamieson, Saskia, Darcey, Koby, Zariff, Soren, Esma, Sergeio, Aiden, Iveel, Ellie



COMMUNITY Asma, Jack, Eli, John, Tyron, Charlie

Surf Online Safe – Paul Litherland

Over the past six months I have been pushing Attorney General John Quigley to address the massive issue of cyberbullying here in Western Australia, with the intent of having specific cyberbullying legislation introduced this year or early 2021 at the latest.

It took me almost six years and two attorney general to get Intimate Image Abuse laws introduced here in WA, so I am hoping this latest fight doesn't take that long.

In November last year after my most recent push, I was informed Mr Quigley had initiated a working committee to address this massive issue in order to determine if a legislative response is required.

I have been working with the committee over the past months and I wish to let you know the first stages of public consultation have been introduced. An online survey has been created by the working committee in partnership with Edith Cowan University and can be found using the below link.

I would invite you to take part in this research project personally by completing the 'Adult' survey, as well as promoting it heavily amongst your student bodies (youth survey), staff and parents (adult survey). It is important a clear message is sent to the AG, so those involved in legislative change can truly understand the experiences and views of adults and children in WA affected by cyberbullying.

I am not about having children charged, I have never been about that, nor will I ever be. But I believe it is time schools, parents and kids themselves had access to laws which give them a chance to be heard and to have 'offenders' made accountable for their actions. I believe well considered and scaled legislative change will go a long way in helping address this massive issue and I hope I can count on your support to get this done.

https://www.victimsofcrime.wa.gov.au/

Paul Litherland

WIN A FREE TRIP TO ROTTO \$60 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 are bringing back the prize incentive to encourage all families to pay the fee. Our lovely friends at Sealink have once again donated a family pass for two adults and two children, same day return trip to Rottnest Island.

To be eligible for the prize draw, the voluntary contribution must be paid prior to 31 March, 2020.

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REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR GRADES NSG, JUNIORS & SENIORS

COCKBURN IS A GRADING, TRAINING AND PLAYING CLUB. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF OUR 7 TO 9-YEAR-OLD TEAMS, PLAYERS TRIAL AS A GROUP ACCORDING TO THEIR YEAR OF BIRTH AND THE CLUB SELECTS TEAMS BASED ON SKILLS AND ABILITY. TEAMS ARE NOT SELECTED BASED ON FRIENDSHIP OR SOCIAL GROUPS.

WE TRAIN ON WEDNESDAYS AT THE BAKERS SQUARE, MORTLOCK STREET COURTS AND FOR PLAYERS FROM 7 YEARS OLD THROUGH TO SENIORS, GAMES ARE PLAYED ON SATURDAYS AT FREMANTLE NETBALL

Head to our website on www.cockburnnetballclub.net or contact the Club Secretary; Joanne Seeber for more information.

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