



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### November 2 – 6

Book Week

### November 4

Year 6 Remembrance Day excursion

Stem Studio

Board meeting and workshop

### November 6

Book Week Assembly

### November 9

NAIDOC Week

### November 11

Stem Studio

## Dear Beaconsfield Primary School Community

Despite the scorching hot weather, our interschool students had a great day at the Athletics carnival at Santich Park. Once again, we saw our school values in action. Students demonstrated the value of 'Considerate' through their interactions with other students, and their manners displayed when moving on and off the bus. They showed they were 'Courageous' by pushing themselves, despite the heat, to do their best. Even when they trailed behind the leader, our students demonstrated a drive to finish, and highlighted their resilience. Beaconsfield students showed 'Community' in spades. They cheered each other on and showed fantastic sportsmanship in congratulating students from other schools. As always I was incredibly proud to be the principal of our school. Thank you to David Andersson, who this year had the onerous task of not just preparing our students, but was also responsible for organising the whole two days for all the participating schools. David did a fantastic job and the carnival ran smoothly as a result of his calm nature and attention to detail. A special thanks also goes to our staff who also braved the heat; Chris John, Nikki Wiseman, Amy Borrill and Julia Reay. As always, we had wonderful parents who turned up to support our students and volunteered their time to assist. We are forever grateful for our community and we thank Nichola, Bec, Zorica and Sri for their help.



Beaconsfield came third in the overall shield and second in the meritorious shield. We are so proud of how each and every child represented our school, both on and off the track. We did have three students who placed as Champions. Well done to Abdel, Zara and Kai for your achievements.



Today was World Teachers' Day which was established in 1994 and is now celebrated in more than 100 countries world-wide. On this day, communities recognise the special role teachers have to play in the lives of their students. With this year's theme being 'A Bright Future', families and students wrote notes to their teachers thank them for making their future bright. We would like to acknowledge the Baha'i club who left a beautiful cake for the teachers to enjoy with their morning tea. This year, teachers were tested with COVID-19 and I was impressed with how our staff adapted and adopted, making the most of the situation. With support from parents and carers, teachers ensured that education continued and that the connection between school and home was maintained. For this, and everything you do, we are forever grateful.

Well done to our Numero team who represented us on Monday at the heats. Whilst we didn't place, our students made us proud by demonstrating the Beaconsfield values. They did their best and had fun in the process. A big thank you to Lauren Osborne for facilitating these opportunities for our students.

Planning for 2021 is well underway. If you are planning a move out of the area next year, please let our wonderful front office staff know so that we can adjust our enrolments accordingly.

We understand that individual class placements may impact upon on a student's attainments. The staff of Beaconsfield Primary School work closely together to determine the allocation of students to classes to ensure a balance of ability, behaviour, gender and friendship groups. We also realise that parents and families may have specific information about their child that they feel would impact upon decisions about classroom placement. If you would like to share any information, you are welcomed to contact me by email at [Kirsten.Dicker@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Kirsten.Dicker@education.wa.edu.au) before Friday 20 November. This information will be referenced, along with other available material, during the class placement process. Please be aware that while all requests will be considered, they will be accommodated where possible, based upon the educational needs of all students.

**Kirsten Dicker**  
Principal

## Interschool Numero Competition

On Monday two teams from Beaconsfield PS competed at the Southern Heat of the Interschool Numero Competition.

Sadly, we didn't place but we had a great time!

Congratulations to these students for all their effort and great attitude!

Beaconsfield Numeristars

- a. Maya Boucher
- b. Chloe Eichhorn-Cabello
- c. Estelia Wangsmo
- d. Sophie Brazier

- a. Tyson Lustig
- b. Phoebe Stejskal
- c. Georgia Merry
- d. Lucy Wright

If you're interested in competing next year make sure that you come along to Numero Club. Tuesday in Room 18 for the rest of 2020 and watch this space for a 2021 schedule!



## Rottnest Campus -Water Science

Last week the students were engaged in several activities centred around National Water Week. They learned about the water cycle, learned about some ways to make our daily water use more sustainable, compared bottled water to tap water using a Venn Diagram, worked collaboratively to make a water mural and completed a science investigation to show how plants contribute to the water cycle. At the end of the week the students enjoyed some water play at recess.

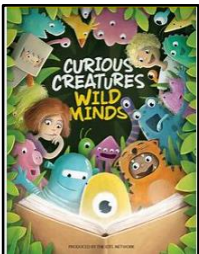


First the children predicted and recorded what they thought might happen if they tied a plastic bag around two leaves in the kitchen garden. Then after two days, they checked and were surprised to see that each bag had collected quite a lot of water. This indicated that the leaf had released water vapour during that time in a process called transpiration.

Finally, they used measuring tubes to record the amount of water which each leaf had produced.



## Children's Book Week 2020



We will be celebrating Children's Book Week at Beaconsfield Primary next week (Monday 2nd November – Friday 6th November). There will be activities running throughout the week culminating with a Book Week dress up day on Friday November 6th. Children are asked to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on this day. The community is invited to join us for a parade of book characters at the 9.00 a.m. Assembly on Friday November 6th.

## Canteen News

Today the canteen staff dressed up for a Halloween themed lunch! We are sure the kids were thrilled with the spooky surprise!



## Chappy's Chat - 'Viewing'

Welcome back to Term 4! Week 3 already!



Recently, at both my schools, I have seen a number of students who have viewed something disturbing online. I often talk to children about protecting our eyes and ears from what our brain cannot fully understand. There is so much more on offer for our children today with the world at their fingertips. Having had 'IT Guys' out to our home after a teen viewing incident... I was given the cold hard message that no platform or filter can surpass vigilant supervision. Family decisions are for families to make, however, the repercussions of child viewing (including YouTube channels and violent gaming) can influence their emotional wellbeing, behaviour, social connections and self-worth. This can have developmental implications and at the extreme can impact their mood and mental health in harmful ways.

- A few family guidelines for healthy viewing time...
- Restricting online viewing to a 'family area' where the adults can be watchful of content.
- Not allowing devices in bedrooms, where it is easy to spend hours alone and quickly find ourselves on the slippery slope of the online world. We wouldn't invite strangers into our bedroom; why allow the

World Wide Web in there?

- Be attentive to ratings on games – M15+ really does contain explicit content.
- Talk to your child about strategies for viewing. They are the same as an ‘in person’ experience that makes us feel uncomfortable and unsafe (our early warning signs are activated)...we respond or react in exactly the same way. ‘No...go tell.’ Shut the computer and talk to someone about what you saw.

Even as an adult, I still protect my eyes and ears from what I know I cannot manage emotionally. That’s not to say I shy away from content, but I know what my limits are and how to manage my viewing. Children need our help to navigate the world of viewing as there is easy access to the entire world from their

own home.

For more information, see the

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

<https://parentline.com.au/other-support-services>

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

## Breakfast Club

Around 70 children are enjoying breakfast in the senior block each Thursday morning. A few Kindy families have also been coming down, which has been lovely. Toast and cold milos are the biggest hits! We also have fruit, cereal, tinned spaghetti and beans on offer. Come down and grab a first, second or third breakfast and hang with the big kids! Our last week for Breakfast Club is 3rd December (Week 8)

## Volunteers needed!

Looking towards 2021...we would love to have some parent or grandparent volunteers, with the intention of growing it to more days. If this is something you are keen to assist with and you are available for an hour or more in the mornings, please contact me or Deputy Principal Andi Hill.

Chappy Renee

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## WAAPA Summer School 2021



This summer WAAPA is thrilled to be able to offer an exciting school holiday program at our campus in Mount Lawley. There are classes for students from Year 1 to Year 12 in drama, acting, screen performance, film making, music theatre and of course Shakespeare. For information about the many courses on offer please visit [waapa.ecu.edu.au/summer-school](http://waapa.ecu.edu.au/summer-school) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at [explore.waapa@ecu.edu.au](mailto:explore.waapa@ecu.edu.au) or 9370 6775.

## 2021 Booklist Supplier



In the coming weeks we will be sending home the booklists for 2021. This year our preferred supplier is Ziggies Educational Supplies who are a WA family owned business. By using Ziggies the school receives a commission and Ziggies donate \$1.50 to the Make A Wish Foundation for every click and collect order. They only use quality branded products that come with a 12 month guarantee and work closely with our school to assist in offering products that are fit for purpose to assist all children's learning.

As in previous years, all families are free to choose their preferred supplier.


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More Interschool Carnival photos...



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## VACSWIM 2021


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Program	Dates	Price	Enrolments close
Country Early Start	18-24 Dec 2020		1 November
January Program 1	29 Dec-8 Jan	Child \$30* Family \$81*	8 November
January Program 2	11-22 Jan		15 November
January 5 day	4-8 Jan	Child \$16* Family \$41*	8 November

\*Concessions available. Does not include pool entry.



City of Cockburn  
will work to water

## FREE Community Program

The City of Cockburn presents

# FROGGY'S FUN ON THE GREEN

Mobile outdoor play sessions for anyone with young children aged 0 - 5 years

Leap into fun with the City of Cockburn's mobile outdoor play sessions. Offering fun activities for children and a chance for mums and dads and carers to connect with others and access information and support.

SCHOOL TERMS ONLY, TERM FOUR  
COMMENCING MONDAY 12 OCTOBER 2020

Mondays 9.30am - 11.30am  
Manning Park, Azelia Rd, Hamilton Hill  
Tuesdays 9.30 am - 11.30 am  
Success Regional Sporting & Community Centre (on the back verandah) Hammond Rd, Success (behind the fire station & netball courts)

During the play sessions, kids can get hands-on with playdough, games and toys.

Parents are to supervise their children at ALL times.

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**ENROLMENT FORM** (Your enrolment will be accepted unless otherwise notified)

DAY:..... TIME:..... COMMENCE DATE:..... FEE:.....

NAME:..... PARENT NAME:.....

SCHOOL:.....

PHONE:..... MOBILE:..... EMAIL:.....

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US:..... AGE:.....

I understand that payment is due at the commencement of term. SIGNATURE:.....

We accept cash, Cheque or direct deposit; Bank details: Fremantle TopSpin Tennis | BSB: 306-047 | Account no. 0439364 (please include child's name and day of play as reference) Postal Address: 54 Ionic St, Shelley 6148, WA

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**WINTER PROGRAM 2020**

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