



**BEACONSFIELD**  
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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Term 3** – Commences 19 July

**26 July** – Edu Dance begins

**To be rescheduled for T3:**

- NAIDOC Day
- Beacy's Got Talent
- Pyjama Day
- Pizza with the Principal

## Dear Beaconsfield

Thank you to every single member of the school community for their efforts over this last week as we reach a rather anticlimactic end to the term. Everyone's positive attitude, compliance with restrictions and effective communication allowed us to keep things as close to business-as-usual as possible for those students coming to school. Our staff have done a sensational job of providing meaningful, engaging experiences for those students at school while also making sure those at home aren't missing out on too much regular classwork. Parents will be notified through Connect of any developments that affect the school before we commence Term 3 on 19 July.

Speaking of Connect, Semester 1 reports were published online on Thursday for all students from K-6. Classroom teachers go to great lengths to ensure the grades and comments are an accurate snapshot of each student's achievement and progress up to this point in the year, so please take the time to go through the report with your child and help them identify their successes as well as any potential areas of growth for the rest of the year. If you have any problems accessing your child's report please contact the school through the front office.

Another huge thank you goes out to our P&C and all the parent volunteers for their organisation and supervision of the disco last Friday. Every student who attended clearly had a great time and it was worth staying until the end of the 3-6 session just to see the students' reaction to Rick Astley being played as the last song of the night. Another unique Beacy moment to savour.

Our students' determination and resilience was again on display at our Cross Country last week. The Jenkins St hill is sometimes an imposing task to walk up let alone run up (twice for our 5/6s), so well done to all those who toughed it out and pushed each other to go further. Congratulations not only to all our Champions and Runners-Up, but all those who qualified to represent Beaconsfield at Interschool level next term. Well done and thank you to Mr Andersson for once again organising a fantastic event.

In staffing news, Ms Nikki Wiseman will be Beaconsfield at the end of this term after accepting a position at Millen PS. Ms Wiseman has been a highly valued teacher who has taught Year 4 since 2019 before teaching our Senior IEC students on Mondays this year. She has also become famous in Senior Sport circles, dubbed "Super Coach" for her work with our netball teams in recent years. We wish her well for the rest of this year and beyond. Replacing Ms Wiseman will be Miss Chloe Hart, one of our regular IEC teachers over the past 4 years who is returning one day a week from the start of Term 3.

Finally, I'd like to wish everyone a safe and restful (and hopefully more open) holidays before we see you back for Term 3 on Monday 19 July.

*Chris*

## Rottneest Campus Music

This term, the students have been learning about the different instruments of the orchestra and which family they belong to. They also listened to the musical story of "Peter and the Wolf" by Sergei Prokofiev. Our older students



made a puppet to recreate a character from the story. Oskar (Year 1) made the cat character which was portrayed by the clarinet, and his sister Saydee (PP) made the bird, who flittered and fluttered to the sound of the flute. All the puppets were fantastic and the students look forward to creating their own puppet show soon.



## Cross Country

Well done to all the students who participated in the school cross country. It was pleasing to see so many students pushing themselves out of their comfort zone to complete the course. Thank you to Bec Gray for helping supervise. Final points were Lefroy on 69 points, Scott 76, Hampton 137 and Hale on 158 points.



## BEACY BRAINIACS:

Mr Oakley had no responses to the Beacy Brainiacs challenge in last fortnight's newsletter. I am looking to giving away lots of Gold slips for courageous students who have a go at any of the Maths problems below. For your chance to earn a gold slip, be courageous and try solving these problems. Send your answers along with any working out (attach a photo) to [kyle.oakley@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:kyle.oakley@education.wa.edu.au)

## Bronze Question

I have socks, shorts, singlets, trousers, jumpers, track pants, t-shirts, gloves, scarves, pants and a jacket.



But I only have 3 drawers to keep them in.

How many different ways could I decide on? How can I decide what group of clothes to keep in each drawer?



## Silver Question

It's 7km from Tim's house to where his Grandma lives. It's uphill on the way there so he can only cycle at 14kph but he can do 21kph on the way back. Tim leaves his house at 6pm. How long can he stop at his Grandma's house if he wants to be back home for his favourite TV programme at 7pm?



## Gold Question

Sally, Jane and Paul collect postcards. They each buy a project book to display them in. The books aren't necessarily all the same size.

Sally suggests they put the same number of postcards on each page of their own book, and that there should be more than one postcard on each page.

Sally says, "If I place my postcards four to a page, I'll have three cards left over".

Jane says, "If I had just one more postcard I could group mine five to a page".

Paul says, "I can fit mine perfectly on each page already. I guess I've got the most so I'll be the first to get to 100".

But when they count their postcards they find they all have the same number.



How many postcards do they each have?

How many pages do their project books have?

## Intensive English Centre Exiting Students

This term we wish to congratulate 11 students that will exit from the Beaconsfield Intensive English Centre (IEC) program. They have worked tirelessly and courageously over the last year to improve their Standard Australian English. We wish them every success for their continued schooling in Australia.

The students graduating from the IEC are Chau, Elvina, Deniel, Lian, Joe, Aiza, Ayesha, Isabela, Sibbo, and Dana.

Congratulations graduates. Thank you for being part of our wonderful Beacy school community.

We will miss you all at Beacy!

Ms Kathy O'Neill, Ms Hannah Quaden  
Mrs Nurul Casotti and Ms Dina Nassar



## Sustainability News

I would like to offer a HUGE thank you to Helen Ramsay and the Year 5 parents for helping me host a Plastic Free Morning Tea last Wednesday for staff. It was a great launch and introduction to Plastic Free Term 3. During Term 3, we will be encouraging students and families to take the plastic free challenge. Our main focus will be on avoiding plastic lunch wrapping, such as cling wrap/glad wrap and zip lock bags. I encourage everyone to think about using alternatives, such as beeswax wraps, tupperware containers and cloth wraps.

Avoiding plastic wrapping for one term will greatly reduce our carbon footprint as a school and community, whilst teaching our kids about the importance of avoiding single use plastics where possible.



Thank you to everyone for getting behind our Waste Free Wednesday initiative. This will continue and I am pleased to say we have produced some excellent results in reducing single use plastic this term. Stay tuned for upcoming ideas on waste free lunches.

Stuck for ideas about what to do with your plastic bottle/milk lids? We are collecting them in Room 19 for our incredible, resident artist Deanne Grein who is creating an amazing art piece out of them. Feel free to drop them off or send them to school with your kids for Room 19.

Have a wonderful, green, plastic free holiday:)

Miss S

## Year 4 Designers

The students in Rooms 15 and 16 have combined their knowledge of healthy food and marketing to design their own cereal boxes. They analysed nutritional panels and discussed design techniques to persuade a target audience to potentially purchase their product. The students included all the Australian food labelling standards and designed visually attractive images to develop a cereal box fit for the shop shelf.

Well done to all the Year 4 students!



## Room 7 Artworks

Hello parents and carers! With COVID scuppering our schools plans to celebrate NAIDOC week, we have been busy learning about traditional Dreamtime stories. From these Dreamtime stories, we have created some artworks to decorate our classroom. Please stop by and have a look at our Rainbow Serpents, platypuses and Tiddalick the frogs when COVID restrictions allow us to.

Mr Oakley

***I acknowledge the aboriginal people, the traditional custodians of the land on which I work, and pay my respects to their Elders past and present.***





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