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The Beacon

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UPCOMING EVENTS

August 23 – Science Week

August 27 – Room 4
Assembly

August 30 – Swimming Years
PP-2

September 3 – Music
Concert

September 10 – Faction
Sports Carnival

September 15-17 - Year 6
Camp

Dear Beaconsfield Primary School Community

We've had such a busy couple of weeks, I'm not sure where to begin!

I hope families have enjoyed the break today. Whilst the kids have well and truly earned their long weekend, our staff have been engaged in professional learning. Our teachers looked at Talk 4 Writing and Additive Thinking, while the EAs did sessions on Literacy, Numeracy and SAER. These sessions were led by Caz Park, Kyle Oakley, Amy Borrill, Hilary Bradbury, Kerry Kelton and Tanya Howarth. We are lucky to have such a depth of expertise in our school.

On Wednesday of Week 4, our Choir had the privilege of singing at the Crown as part of the WAGSMS Concert Series. We performed alongside 21 other acts, and our two songs were a highlight. A huge thanks to Avril Mulligan for her dedication and preparation, not just on the night, but in the lead up to the event. Her hard work certainly paid off. Thanks goes also to the parents for their support and to Louise Glassborow and Chris John for providing supervision on the night. We were so proud of our students, who despite being incredibly tired come the 10pm performance time, delivered an absolute show stopper!



As always, our Book Week was a huge success. Well done to Carolyn Park for her organisation of the week and to Amy Borrill for overseeing Friday's parade. It was wonderful to hear our guest authors comment upon the engagement and excitement of our students. Renee was impressed with our Senior students' poetic capabilities. The kids looked fabulous at the Book Week Parade, and I know that many costumes were very labour intensive! Thank you to all the parents and carers who assisted.

Our NAIDOC was a wonderful celebration of Aboriginal culture and heritage. A big thanks to Dani Sukys for the considerable preparation. Having to postpone the day due to lockdown last term, the event was all the more appreciated when it went ahead on Wednesday.



And last, but by no means least, I would like to acknowledge our Cross Country athletes who represented Beaconsfield PS at the interschool carnival yesterday

All 45 students contributed to a fantastic effort and displayed an outstanding level of team spirit. I was so impressed with the courageous efforts of all students and their ability to persevere, even when it got really tough. A special mention goes to Abdel and Akosua, who were champions in their age group, and Kaiya and Reuben, who were runners-up.



Enjoy the weekend.

Kirsten Dicker
Principal

2022 Enrolments

Please advise the administration office if your child is NOT returning to Beaconsfield Primary School for 2022 as soon as possible.

Buddy Reading - Room 20 visits PP Starfish

During Book Week, the students in Room 20 walked over to PP Starfish to share their 'character' books. The Room 20 students have been working hard writing and illustrating their books and were excited (and a little nervous) to share their creations. PP Starfish kindly welcomed the Room 20 students into their classroom and respectfully listened to the stories.

Thanks for having us PP Star fish! Room 20 can't wait to come back soon.

Miss Reay

Gabriel Evans Visit

During Book Week, we were lucky enough to have one of the CBCA shortlisted winners, Gabriel Evans, to run workshops with our Pre-Primary to Year 2 students. The children were enthralled by his funny jokes and exciting illustrations. He even read his new, unpublished book to us! The children got to draw some of his characters and learn about how he creates his books.



Renee-Pettitt-Schipp - Visiting Author

On Tuesday 10 August, the award winning writer and educator, Renee Pettitt-Schipp, was invited to run workshops in the library with students in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. Before Renee's visit, Room 1 had the opportunity to read some of her collection of poems from her book "The Sky Runs Through Us".



Book Week 2021

This year's book week was a roaring success! We had two incredible authors running workshops with the children. We had stories at lunch times and the dress up on Friday was the best yet! Miss Borrill's class ran an incredible 'Travelling Book Circus' assembly and the competition entries were outstanding. Thank you to our amazing community for putting so much effort into costumes and book covers, we couldn't do it without you!

During her visit Renee talked about her love of writing, when she began writing, and what inspired her to write. This gave us food for thought on writing our own collection of poems. The students in Room 1 have created some wonderful poetry of our own.

We would like to thank Renee for her visit and for sharing her ideas, stories and experiences. We would also like to share Room 1's writing with you.



Ania - The Willow Tree

I can feel my feet slipping across the frosty ice. It is cold out here in the snow I thought. It was all forest. No way in, no way out. I miss my family. It all started when the war began. It was autumn and the leaves were falling off the trees. I went out for a jog and then it happened. I stepped into quicksand. I could see the world slipping away...

Olive - The Pack

The pack of wolves so elegant and fine, running through the magical forest. What adventures await. Their soft fur blowing majestically through the wind. The lake shining like diamonds, with the pack of wolves running past it. The sky is the darkest blue you have ever seen.

Levi

Once there were pirates playing with Rhinos in the African Savannah.

Meanwhile in the ocean, there were sharks chasing for fish. Nothing was calm. The shark would not give up until he got the fish.

Over in the forest, it was raining so hard it was as loud as people screeching.

Beatrix - I'm happy today.

I'm happy today.

I lie back and see before me a dream never told, a life never known. I reach out in front of me, but I awake to a soft face before me. I see whiskers as white as snow. My one true love before me.

I am happy. My recorder floats before me.

BEACY BRAINIACS:

The Bagley children are being courageous at home at challenging themselves, collecting Gold Slips along the way - Well done to Steph and Owen! Have a go at being courageous and try solving some of these problems. I am looking to give away lots of Gold slips for courageous students who have a go at any of the Maths problems below. Send your answers along with any working out (attach a photo) to kyle.oakley@education.wa.edu.au. I have also put in a fun strategy game you might like to play at home. Can you beat everyone in your house?

FUN CHALLENGE GAME!

Play the strategy game "Take three or fewer". Place twenty-one counters in a row. With a partner take turns, removing one, two or three counters each turn. The person to remove the last counter is the winner.



Is "Take three or fewer" a fair game? (In a fair game, each player has an equal chance of winning.)

BRONZE QUESTION

Dr Martin the chemist is weighing out some pills.

She has some 5g weights and some 7g weights.



Can she weigh exactly 38g of pills?

SILVER QUESTION

On Monday, David, Amy and Alex share lollies that they've been given. Amy has been given twice as many lollies as David, and Alex has three



times as many lollies as David plus two lollies.

They are given the same number of lollies each day up to (and including) Friday. Altogether, they are given 70 lollies. How many lollies did David get on Monday?

GOLD QUESTION

Being an avid watch watcher, Carolyn discovers that the hands of her watch are perpendicular at 3pm and at 9am.



She wonders how many times a day the hands of her watch are perpendicular to each other?

What answer does she come up with and why?

Rotto News

During Book Week, we were thrilled to receive a visit from Perth local author, Jonathan MacPherson. Four of his children's books are set on Rottne, and are based on a series of adventures featuring a cheerful, brave and considerate quokka called Clancy.



On Friday, we crossed the ocean to attend the Beacy Book Week Parade. Students enjoyed a full day at Beacy, integrating with their respective buddy classes. A big thank you to the teachers for welcoming them

into their classrooms.

To complete a very busy week, we held a mini Olympic Games. The children competed admirably in modified versions of some of the Olympic events, eg. Golf, Javelin, Shooting and Equestrian. Afterwards, Gold medals were awarded in a fitting ceremony.



Thanks go to Miss Sukys for organising delivery of a special bag of NAIDOC activities which made us feel connected to such an important event at Beaconsfield PS.



Year 4 Excursion



On Thursday 12 August, all the Year 4 students went to the Constable Care Safety School to learn all about road, bike and pedestrian safety. We had lots of fun riding bikes, learning the road rules and crossing different intersections.

We also played different games to highlight how important it is to STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK before we cross roads or railway crossings.



Repair Hub is this Sunday 15th August, 10am -12pm at the Hub, 1 Starling Street, Hamilton Hill

Free Entry, donations appreciated.

Bring along your broken household items and our volunteer repairs will have a go at fixing them.

Clothes, toys, bikes, low voltage electrical items and furniture repairs as well as technical advice available.

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Science Week 2021



Food - Different by Design

Year Level Events

Kindy - Mon/Thurs
PP - Thurs After Lunch
Yr 1 - Mon Lunch
Yr 2 - Tues Recess
Yr 3 - Mon Recess
Yr 4 - Thurs Recess
Yr 5 - Fri Recess
Yr 6 - Fri Recess

Science tabloids are on Wednesday for P-6 and will include a Special Scinema Screening at lunchtime in the Undercover Area

Community Colouring Competition

Please see attached printout or ask your class teacher for a copy. Student and parent entries should be handed in to the front office by 3pm Friday 27th August

Community Photo Contest

Take a photo of food - growing, cooking or plated and submit to lauren.osborne2@education.wa.edu.au along with the name of the entry and the person submitting it by 3pm Friday 27th August

PERTH FLYING SQUADRON YACHT CLUB

Tackers

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
PRESENTED BY SUN SMART

tackers 1
"having fun"

TUESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER TILL
FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER
8:30AM - 1:30PM

THIS COURSE AIMS TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH A FUN & SAFE WAY TO GET INTO SAILING & IS DESIGNED FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO WISH TO HAVE FUN & LEARN THE BASICS OF SAILING THROUGH GAMES ON & OFF THE WATER

tackers 2
"tricks & techniques"

MONDAY 4 OCTOBER TILL
FRIDAY 8 OCTOBER
8:30AM - 12:30PM

THIS COURSE AIMS TO BUILD ON THE FUN FROM TACKERS 1 & PROGRESS ON SAILING SKILLS. IF KIDS ARE CONFIDENT THEY CAN SAIL A BOAT ON THEIR OWN WITH LOTS OF SUPPORT & SUPERVISION FROM THE INSTRUCTORS

MEMBERS - \$247
NON MEMBERS - \$278

TACKERS IS A JUNIOR START SAILING PROGRAM AIMED AT 7 - 12 YEAR OLDS.

THE 20-HOUR COURSE IS MANAGED BY EXPERIENCED COACHES AND IS A POPULAR WAY TO GET YOUR CHILD INVOLVED IN SAILING AND DEVELOP A PASSION FOR BEING OUT ON THE WATER.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 24 SEPTEMBER
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