



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday 20 -27 March

Naplan Online

### Tuesday 21 March

Harmony Day

### Wednesday 22 March

Student

Leadership Conference

### Thursday 23 March

Assembly Room 10&17

### Friday 24 March

Year 5/6 Summer Carnival

### Thursday 30 March

Year 3 Perth Zoo excursion

## Dear Beacy

Thank you to the parents who attended the Parent Reading Workshops presented over the last two weeks by our Literacy Coordinator and Instructional Coach Caz Park. The clinical understandings around how students effectively learn abstract concepts such as reading have progressed significantly since any of us were at school, so we appreciate any opportunity to bring parents up to speed with what we're doing and, most importantly, why we're doing it. Look forward to similar sessions next term on Maths from Mr Oakley.

Last week our community raised over \$1000 in aid of the Turkey-Syria earthquake crisis through the free dress day. Thank you to all who generously gave to such an important cause, and also thanks to Sarah Lechte for organising the event. Our students will have another opportunity to dress up this Thursday for Harmony Day under the theme of 'Everyone Belongs'. Students are invited to wear either their cultural dress or orange to celebrate all the benefits of living in a culturally diverse world. This fortnight's community assembly will be held on the same day due to the Summer Carnival on the Friday. The IEC students from Room 10 and 17 will presenting their assembly item on Thursday as a key part of the Harmony Week theme.

Many of our students have been participating in a range of tests over the past two weeks. All pre-primaries have now completed the On-Entry testing, and parents can look forward to reports coming home soon with information about your child's strengths and future focuses as they start full time school. I have nothing but admiration for the way our Year 3s and 5s have approached the first two NAPLAN tests in the last week. They arrived focused but relaxed as they completed the Writing aspect on Wednesday before finishing the week with the exclusively online Reading assessment.

NAPLAN continues this week with Language Conventions (spelling and grammar) for all students on Monday before everyone tackles Numeracy on Tuesday. Any students who miss a test will have an opportunity to catch up in small groups with other students in the same boat. The last group going through testing is our Year 6s, many of whom recently sat the first part of the Gifted and Talented Entry (GATE) high school test. It takes enormous courage to even attempt these tests so all participants should be incredibly proud for taking them in the first place. Parents are encouraged to reach out to the school for any assistance we can provide; in the past we've supervised tests on weekends that were missed due to illness, or worked around school events for testing dates that occur on weekdays.

Finally, a note about the half day closure on March 29 for parent-teacher interviews. The normal school day will end at 11:45am on that day, so at that time students can either depart as they normally would or remain at school under modified supervision. If your child does require supervision after 11:45am, please complete the [online form](#) to provide the necessary details to assist us in our planning. Please be sure to complete one form for each child so all students are identified correctly.

Many timeslots have already been booked and the remaining sessions are filling fast, so if you haven't already made an appointment with your child's classroom teacher to discuss their progress and achievements so far this year please do so quickly to avoid missing out. The booking link can be found on each class's Connect page as well as via the QR code on every classroom door. If you experience any technical difficulties please contact the school and we will help you out.

Cheers,  
*Chris*

## Beacy Brainiacs – Week 7

Hello Beacy – I've been blown away from the responses to Beacy Brainiacs! So many children (and some parents) are having a go at challenging themselves even when they aren't at school! I am looking to give away lots of PBS Points for courageous students who have a go at any of the Maths problems below. For your chance to earn a PBS Point, 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) or give to your class teacher and mention you are a Beacy Brainiac!

Congratulations to the following people for giving the Brainiacs questions a go last fortnight. They are gaining PBS points even at home:

**Sienna Leca (Year 2) – 3 Newsletter streak!**

**Owen Bagley (Year 2) – 3 Newsletter streak!**

**Ryan Hew (Year 4) – 2 Newsletter streak!**

**Daniel Hew (Year 6) – 2 Newsletter streak!**

**Bailey McClurg (Year 3)**

**Nicola Bagley (Parent) 😊**

## Pre-Primary, Year 1s and 2s

The Beaconsfield Ice Cream Dairy has four flavours of ice cream.

How many different cones can you buy that have two different flavours side by side in the cone?



**Further challenge: The Beaconsfield Ice Cream Dairy is now selling 3 types of toppings, as well as the 4 flavours of ice-cream. How many different ice-creams are possible?**

**Year 3s and 4s**



Max found out that in his class, everyone plays tennis or golf or both.

In fact 80% play tennis and 70% play golf.

What percentage play both games?



**Further challenge:** Max knows he has more than 21 people in his class, but less than 35. If this is true, how many people **MUST** Max have in his class?

## Year 5s and 6s

Mr and Mrs Watson and their son work on the dairy farm. They want to know the weight of 3 calves that have recently been born. The cow scales can't weigh anything less than 100kg.

So Mr Watson says that they should get the cows on the scales two at a time.

When they weigh Calf 1 and Calf 2, the scales show 124 kg.

Calf 2 and Calf 3 together weigh 140 kg.

Calf 1 and Calf 3 weigh 152 kg.

How heavy is each calf?

**Further Challenge:** Is there an easier way to find the weights of the three calves?

Can you devise a system of weighing them that is easier to solve, given that the scales can't weigh anything less than 100kg?

Can their weights be found in less than three weighings?



## of the JOKE WEEK

Tell these side splitters to your friends 😊

**How does a scientist freshen her breath?**

With experi-mints.

**How do you talk to a giant?**

Use big words.

**How do pirates know that they are pirates?**

They think, therefore they arrr.

## Art News

Congratulations to Thursday art teacher, Olivia Samec who has been awarded a prestigious Churchill fellowship and will be off next week on an action packed 6-week trip around Europe and the USA presenting to audiences about her Book Parcel Project she has set up with the Department of Communities that sees every child in foster care being given a parcel of books. She will also be presenting information about improving emotion and social literacy for young people through her range of Wellbeing Zone books. We wish her all the best!

## Harmony Day

The Harmony Day assembly will be held on Thursday 23 March, not Friday. Students are encouraged to wear familial tradition dress, orange or school uniform (not free dress).

Please join us in celebrating our multicultural school community next week.

## PBS Update – Week 7

The PBS points have been going well. It's great to see all the children working hard in their classes, earning Points for their faction rewards! Here is a breakdown of what points have been given out so far this term. Our current focus across the school is **"I have a go at challenging tasks"**. For the last two weeks of the term, we will be focusing on **"I play in my year group's designated areas."**

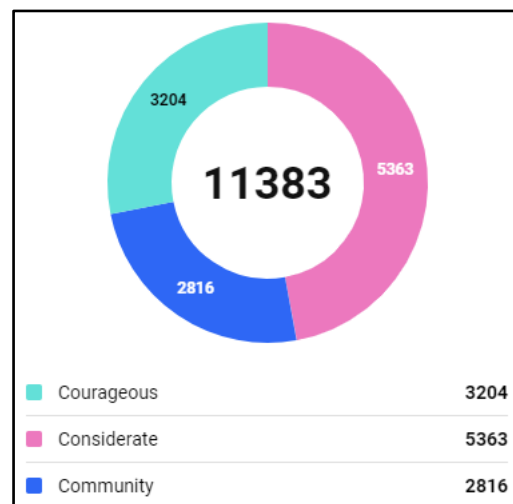
## Faction Points

1st Scott

2nd Hampton

3rd Lefroy

4th Hale



A child will be nominated by their class teacher to join Mr John for 'Pizza with the Principal'. This child will be someone who demonstrates the Beacy School values: Being a Considerate, Courageous, Community-minded member! This will be happening in Week 10 of Term 1, so keep earning those PBS Points Beacy kids!

## Creative Kids Art Club



In Term 2, Creative Kids will be inspired to create a variety of nature-based artworks. We will be creating beautiful, macro flowers inspired by American artist, Georgia O'Keeffe. To celebrate Autumn - we will be sketching, printing and painting autumn leaves in a mixed media artwork. To complete the term, we will be painting a majestic winter landscape scene, complete with woodland deer on A3 paper.

Art Club will be looking at surrealist painter, Pablo Picasso to create a vibrant Rooster artwork. Students will also be using typography to create a colourful painting where letters are used as shapes to create a layered optical feast on canvas.

Art Club Students final project will be inspired by American graffiti artist, Basquiat to create a head in neo-expressionist style using a variety of exciting print and drawing techniques.

Below is the link to the website for bookings. Parents can find the enrolment for Beaconsfield under "School Based Programs". Creative Arts will be running on a Monday from 3-5pm and Art Club on a Tuesday from 3-5pm. Due to the public holidays, the classes will start different weeks. **Monday's** class will start on April 24. **Tuesday's** class will start on May 2. Both running for 9 weeks, and payment is required upfront.

[https://www.bookitlive.net/creative\\_kids\\_art\\_club\\_perth](https://www.bookitlive.net/creative_kids_art_club_perth)

## Student Update/Medical Forms

Please check your children's school bags for the student and medical update forms. These need to be returned to the front office by 24 March.







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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

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## AFTER SCHOOL CODING CLUB

Term 2  
**\$300**

8 Sessions from Week 3 to 10  
Every Thursday at 3:15pm until 4:15pm  
For students in Years 1 through to 6

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