



BEACONSFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Beacon

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 2

Stem Studio Game
Changers at ECU Joondalup

November 3

Room 1 Assembly

November 8

Yr 2-6 Music Concert, 9am

November 11 - P&C Quiz
Night

Dear Beacy

In light of recent events, it's worthwhile restating our school's commitment to authentic engagement and reconciliation with all indigenous families and people in our community. Regardless of people's stance on the referendum, at a local level we are committed to ensuring this school is a welcoming environment where every student and family can thrive. Acknowledging the history of our country and the lasting effects of everything that has come before us means additional effort is required in bridging the gaps that exist for indigenous students and families.

I had the brief pleasure of checking in on our very happy Interschool Athletics team (some pictured above celebrating a second placing) at Santich Park today. While we may be returning light on silverware (and late due to a scheduling conflict, apologies to the waiting parents), the much more valuable reports of our students chanting, cheering, encouraging and celebrating all participants during the day. A special mention to our Year 4 girls Leaderball team for consoling the leader of another team who was quite distraught at being the reason her team were disqualified. Actions of this quality, which we saw all day from our Beacy kids, can never be validated by a ribbon, medal or trophy. If I had to choose between our kids being kind or quick, I'm taking kind every time. Our Art Exhibition last week was a phenomenal success. Thank you to our Art specialists Miss Cathy and Miss Olivia for elevating an already successful event, and to Mandy Hawkhead, Dave Spencer and the parent helpers for their efforts in putting the show together (details and photos in following pages).

Well done to Mr Oakley for his organisation of a fantastic Maths week. There were shows, races, games and puzzles for everyone to enjoy all week, and our students made the most of it. Details and highlights can be seen on the following pages.

One final thought: while Halloween may be an exciting opportunity for little people to dress up and roam the streets, please remember that there is school the next day. A late night and too many red frogs can make for a challenging first of November at school.

Chris John

Beacy Brainiacs – Week 3 Term 4

Hello Beacy – Term 4 is here and I am looking to give away lots of PBS Points for courageous students who have a go at any of the Maths problems below or are doing any exciting Maths of their own at home. 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 or give to your class teacher and mention you are a Beacy Brainiac!

NUMERO NEWS!

Some of Year 5 and 6 students went along to the



Interschool Numero Competition this week and represented the school. The students had a great day and were challenged to think about numbers flexibly. They competed in different versions of the game that involved working together for some as well as individual events. We are very proud of how our students conducted themselves. Well done to the following students:

<u>Room 13</u>	<u>Room 12</u>
Sophie B	Zach B
Sienna P	Maisie C
Beatrix M	Daniel H
	Mabel M
	Sienna T

Pre-Primary, Year 1s and 2s

There is a **pyramid of cannon balls** on a pirate ship. The first layer looks like this when you look down on it from above.



How many cannon balls are there in the **bottom layer**?

How many cannon balls will there be in the **second layer**?

How many cannon balls will there be in the **third layer**?

How many cannon balls in the **top layer**?

How many cannon balls do you need to complete the pyramid?

Year 3s and 4s

Penny's favourite pizza restaurant offers 6 toppings: ham, onions, mushrooms, pineapple, tomato and peppers.



Penny orders a pizza with ham and pineapple.

Unfortunately the server only writes down that she wants 2 toppings but doesn't write down what they are.

The cook decides to pick two toppings at random.

What is the **probability** that Penny will get the pizza she ordered?

Year 5s and 6s

Being an avid watch watcher, Georgie 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?

Maths Week Highlights

Students have been getting into the spirit of things at Recess and Lunch times with some of the Maths games we have on offer! Check out the pictures below for 'Foxtail Throws' (Measuring), 'Snakes and Ladders' (Counting and Adding) and 'Finska' (Adding). All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 had a guess for how many jellybeans are in the jar (PP - Yr 2) and how heavy the jar weighs (Yr 3 - Yr 6). Winners will be announced at the Assembly in Week 4.

Students have also tried to work out who the mystery teachers are on our board that has been in the Undercover Area. Students correctly guessing ALL staff members will be announced at the Assembly in Week 4.

The Year 5s and 6s also had great fun with their Amazing Race incursion. Students had to work in groups of 4 and raced around the school to solve Maths problems. All had a great time and enjoyed racing around the school!



To Celebrate Maths Week, here are some Maths jokes that will make SUM people laugh! 😊

What is the butterfly's favourite subject in school?
Mothmatics

Which tables do you not have to learn?
Dinner Tables

What did Zero say to the Eight?
Nice Belt!

What do you call a man who spent all summer at the beach?
A Tangent (Tan-Gent)

Maths Fun Week



THE AMAZING RACE



RECESS AND LUNCH MATHS FUN



THE PRIMARY MATHS SHOW



Rottnest Campus at the Museum Boola Bardip

On Friday the 20th of October, we visited the museum to conclude a unit of work on Dinosaurs.

First, we had to get to the city. We caught public transport all the way! A ferry, then walking, then train and a little more walking. It was very interesting and quick and easy to get to Perth.

Then we participated in the "Dinosaur Tour" with our guide, John. He showed us a real meteorite and models of Muttaburrasaurus, and Carnotaurus. We loved seeing all the life size dinosaurs and the fossils too.

After lunch, we went back in to explore the Wildlife Room on our own. We enjoyed seeing the fossils, taxidermy, extinct animals and even some live animals. It was so interesting that we could have stayed for hours longer in this room. We finished our museum visit with a walk under the blue whale skeleton.

We had an awesome day and there's still so much more we didn't get to see at the museum!



Kindergarten and Pre-Primary Students

Counting on the Hill' - Books for our Kindergarten and Pre-primary Students

This week the children in Kindergarten and Pre-primary were given a beautiful children's counting book, organised by the community group 'Friends of Cantonment Hill'. The group cares for this bushland and were instrumental in the development of the playground that is now there on Tuckfield Street.

The group decided they'd like to give a book to some of the local children, educating them about the location and significance of the bushland and encouraging them to visit the area. Fremantle Ports have generously funded the printing of the hard cover books. They have been written and illustrated by locals. We hope these books inspire all who have not visited the area to do so. Here are some of the children enjoying reading the books.





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ART EXHIBITION 23



Congratulations to all our Beacy artists who showcased their creative efforts and new skills at the 2024 Art Exhibition last Friday night at Artsource in Fremantle. It was great to see so many Beacy families who came to visit and wonderful to see the pride on the students faces as they showed parents and caregivers their class's work.

Displaying art is an important part of an artist's practice so to have it exhibited in such a beautiful setting was a real bonus for our students. The venue and the running of the show was facilitated by a committee of wonderful Beacy parents dedicated to elevating art at our school. We are so grateful to this enthusiastic and friendly team led by Mandy Hawkhead and Dave Spencer. Thank-you!

We received lots of thoughtful entries from students reflecting on the art they viewed. The winning entry, drawn at random belonged to Louis Boucher from room 18.

Congratulations! You can come and collect your Fremantle Arts Centre kid's course voucher from the office.



If you have a classic shot from the exhibition that you are happy to share, please tag on Instagram:

[instagram.com/beaconsfieldps.pandc](https://www.instagram.com/beaconsfieldps.pandc)



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