

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 27 November
2024 Kindy Orientation

Monday 27 November - 1 December
Swimming continues for PPYear 2

Friday 1 December IEC Exiting Assembly

## Friday 8 December

Presentation Assembly, Open Night \&
P\&C Summer Sundowner

## Tuesday 12 December

Year 6 Dinner Dance @ East Fremantle Yacht Club

## Dear Beacy

Having personally organised many school swimming lesson periods in the past myself, I'm all to familiar with the challenges and potential pitfalls that come with swimming lessons. This week, however, has been the smoothest start to a set of lessons for our PP, 1s and 2 s l've seen. Hats off to all kids and parents for being so well organised with all the additional equipment, and well done to all staff involved for coordinating clothing changes and the seamless travel to and from the pool. A special mention to Mr Oakley for his meticulous preparation of every little detail that has made the whole operation so successful thus far. We look forward to more productive lessons next week.
The picture above shows our Year 4s from Rooms 15 and 16 taking part in a traditional weaving practice with local elder Sharyn Egan at the picturesque Bathers Beach. They were invited to take part as a conclusion to their contribution to the Fremantle Biennale Festival with local artist Jess Day. The flags the designed and created made a wonderful addition to the exhibition and a great day for all.
As you can most likely feel in traffic and in the shops, we are fast approaching the silly season. Everything feels busy and we are no exception. Next Monday we welcome a few dozen new little faces to Beacy though our 2024 Kindy Orientation, then Friday will see our first Intensive English Centre Exiting Ceremony to farewell over 50 of our IEC friends back to their local schools for 2024. Then it's the Presentation Assembly on 8 December with class awards and graduation, followed that evening by our Open Night and P\&C Sundowner then the final week festivities. We'll be saying 'See you in 2024' before we know it, so be sure to stay present and make the most of the next few weeks.

## Beacy Brainiacs - Week 7 Term 4

Hello Beacy - We are nearly at the end of another year and I am still 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!

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

On the pirate ship there are 24 pirate swords. Each pirate has 2 swords.
If half the pirates lost a sword in battle and a quarter of the pirates each gained a new sword, how many swords would there now be on the pirate ship?
If a third of the swords were then lost how many would there be left?


## Year 3s and 4s

A prisoner sits in his cell planning his escape. The prisoner is kept in by 5 laser beams, which operate along a corridor. Each laser is switched off at a specific time interval for just long enough to allow a person to walk
 through. The time between being switched off for each laser is shown below:

| Laser One | O | every | 3 | minutes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Laser Two | $=$ | every | 2 | minutes |
| Laser | Three | $=$ | every | 5 |
| minutes |  |  |  |  |
| Laser Four | $=$ | every | 4 | minutes |

The guard patrols and checks the prisoner each time all the laser beams are off simultaneously. Because each laser only switches off for a short time the prisoner knows he can only get past one laser at a time. He has to get past the five lasers from 1 to 5 in order. Laser One is at the entrance of the prisoner's cell and laser Five is at the door to the outside. He also knows that if he spends longer than 4 minutes 12 seconds in the corridor an alarm will go off.
Can the prisoner escape without the alarm in the corridor going off?
If he can escape, how many minutes should he wait before passing Laser One?
How much time will he have after passing Laser Five before the guard raises the alarm?

## Year 5s and 6s

Richard finds 9 dice arranged in a 3 by 3 square.
He'd like to rearrange the dice
 There are rules as to how he can move the dice.
He can only pick up a row of three dice or a column of three dice and rotate them together in the same way.
Is it possible for Richard to accomplish this task?
Can you tell him how?

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1. Don't spell part backwards. It's a trap.
2. The perfectionist walked into the bar because it wasn't set high enough.
3. I just found out I'm colourblind. The diagnosis came completely out of the purple.
4. Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation toward the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.


## Art news

Grade 5, Room 18 have been looking at the form and function of pottery from ancient civilizations. Even though pottery can be smashed, the fragments remain intact and therefore can be studied thousands of years after their original use and we can find clues about what life was like.

We have created our own unique pieces from clay that serve a particular function. The vessels are now in the process of being decorated with symbols that reveal something about each artist. We are doing this by scratching through a layer of underglaze to reveal the colour of the clay, a method known as sgraffito. Inspiration for our symbols was sought from ancient civilizations like the Greeks, Indigenous Australians and Ancient Egyptians.


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Our annual

## BOOK FAIR

will be held in the school library on Monday $\mathbf{2 7}{ }^{\text {th }}$, Tuesday $\mathbf{2 8}^{\text {st }}$ and Wednesday $\underline{\underline{29}}{ }^{\text {nd }}$ of November, from 8:30am to 3:30pm.

Purchases can also be made at recess and lunchtimes.

See you at the Beacy Book Fair!
Thank you for your support.

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