



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 20 - 24** - National Volunteer Week

**May 24** - Room 13 Assembly

**May 31** - Pupil Free Day

### Every Day Counts

As we are now into the assessment end of Semester 1, and teachers are working towards completing report cards for students, it is vital that students are here as much as possible so they can show their teachers what they know and can do.

Missing 1 Day equals 5 hours of learning time lost, and this adds up quickly and can place a lot of pressure on students to try and catch this time up. Please also remember to inform the school with a reason if your child is away.

### Parent Supervision (Before and After School)

It is great that at Beacy, many families make time to catch up and socialise before and after school. This contributes to the community feel our school has, and as Principal this is something I really value.

The issue is that in too many cases students are not supervised appropriately by parents during these times, and we are managing issues between students and spending school funds on equipment that is being vandalised and damaged by students, out of hours while their parents are in the school grounds.

I spoke to the students about this at assembly so they are clear on the expectations, but I think it's important to make this clear for families so we can all work together on this.

If parents are at school with their child before 8:30am or after 3pm, parents need to be able to see their children and be accountable for their actions 100% of the time. Students can only be where their parents are. An example will be if a parent is at the Junior Playground, the student can only be there, if the student wants/needs to go to another area, he/she must be accompanied by their parent.

If there are any questions, or if parents require clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me. I want families to be able to continue to see our school as a community, and a place to connect.

## Bike Safety Checks

CycleSense will be providing two 'Bike Safety Check' days at school! It is an opportunity to have your child's bike checked by qualified mechanics who will provide a comprehensive bike safety check and basic maintenance to ensure the bike is safe to ride. This is a part of the "Your Move" program we have at Beaconsfield PS. If additional work is required, this will be indicated on the Mechanical Checklist Form that will be attached to each bike after it has been checked.

The mechanics will be located at the Bike Rack Area near the Admin Building from 8:15am onwards this coming Monday May 20 and Monday May 27. Your child will just need to bring their bike to school that day so it can be accessed by the mechanics.

Mr Anthony Edwards  
Principal

## Intensive English Centre News

Room 23 enjoyed cooking and constructing which linked in with their Talk for Writing theme of Little Red Riding Hood, integrating Mathematics (3D Objects) and Science (Chemical).

The students cooked chocolate chip cookies as part of Chemical Science, and then made baskets as part of Mathematics, learning about 3D objects.

The learning was as fun as the eating.





## Year 5/6 Parliament House excursion

On 15 & 16 May, years 5 & 6 visited Parliament House and the Electoral Education Centre.

At the Electoral Education Centre the students learnt all about the voting process, completed a mock vote and learnt about democracy.

The students were very excited to attend Parliament on a sitting day. They meet the local minister for Fremantle, Simone McGurk and even got to say hello to the Premier as he walked through Parliament eating his sandwich, racing off to another meeting. The students witnessed some ministers presenting speeches in the Legislative Council and presenting the speaker.

It was a very exciting day seeing '...famous people,' said one Year 5 student.



## Art News



From the start of the year, the grade 1's have been focused on the theme of "feelings" in art. Students have used the art elements of colour, line and shape to visually express feeling happy, calm, sad, angry and silly. To help inspire us, we looked at a range of local and international artists' work and the feelings that selected artworks express and evoke. Currently, students are working on a final piece that combines printing, drawing and painting skills to create a house of many rooms, each expressing a different feeling.

**Can you help?** Some of our art shirts are looking a little worse for wear! If you have any medium to heavy weight T-shirt's you would be willing to donate that are:



Adult size L-XL in (mostly)  
white/black  
Adult size S-M in (mostly)  
Blue/Green

Kid size to fit 8-12 year olds in (mostly)  
red/orange/yellow  
(colour coded to find the correct size easily)  
Please drop to the art room.

The kids have been learning the art of turning their shirts right way around and folding them before they go back – I hope some parents and carers are benefitting from this life skill! So far, grade 1's are showing the most promise!

## Beacy Brainiacs – Week 5 Term 2

Term 2 has begun 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. 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!

### Additive Thinking

**How would you mentally calculate**  
 **$79 + 826$ ?**

MathShed

**How would you mentally calculate**  
**75% of 590?**

**How would you mentally calculate**  
 **$85 - 57$ ?**

MathShed

Need a quick laugh? Tell these jokes to your friends and family.

Don't spell part backward. It's a trap.

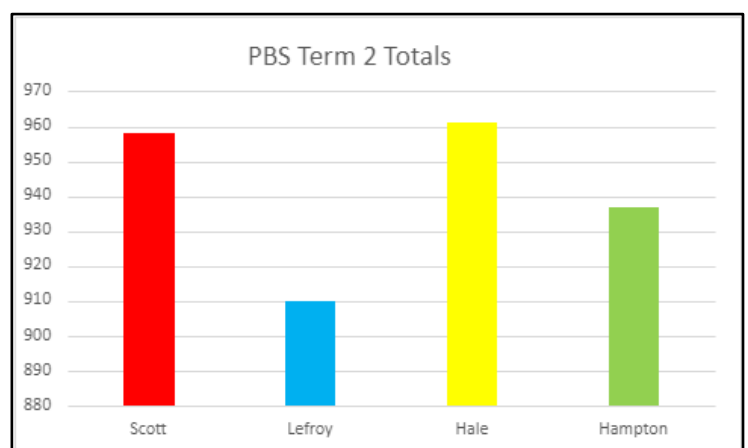
Would a cardboard belt be a waist of paper?

I've just written a song about tortillas; actually, it's more of a w-rap.

I just flew into town and my arms are so tired.

### PBS UPDATE

Term 2 continues this fortnight with our focus behaviour expectation "I use appropriate language and manners". Students will continue to work towards earning rewards and points for their factions.



# J<sup>of the</sup> JOKE WEEK



## Faction Sport

Year 3/4 and 5/6 Faction Sport kicked off this week run by our Faction captains. With a focus on participation and sportsmanship with a touch of inter-faction rivalry, basketball and soccer matches so far have been exciting for all to play and watch. League tables will be posted on the Undercover Area whiteboard by the Faction Captains weekly. Matches continue on Mondays and Wednesdays for the next three weeks.



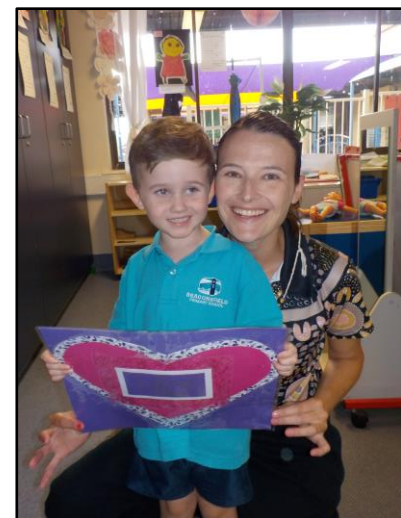
## Kindy Mother's Day

A big thank you to all who were able to join us for the 'Ladies Pampering Session.'

We loved having everyone join us for the afternoon. We enjoyed spoiling our mums so much!

We hand crafted necklaces for our mums to wear and painted beautiful pictures of us together. And finally, we showered our mums with love by giving them a relaxing hand massage and then painting their nails with brightly coloured nail polish!

We hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day





## Premier's Reading Challenge 2024

*Embark on an epic reading journey and be in the running to win weekly prizes in the 2024 Premier's Reading Challenge.*



**The mission:** for students in kindergarten to Year 10 to read 12 books over 4 months from 6 May to 6 September. That's right—just 12, students can read:

- books
- short stories
- graphic novels
- eBooks
- talking books
- audiobooks
- poems
- anything that sparks their interest and gets them reading.

Adventures await.

Sign up to the challenge and start logging your child's books. Use the QR code or website below:

See Mrs Page (Room 19) if you need any help, or email [ceri.page@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:ceri.page@education.wa.edu.au)  
Enjoy all the new places your books take you!



## Reconciliation Week Performance

On Thursday 30 May, Beaconsfield PS will be visited by the Kaa-Kaa Middars to commemorate Reconciliation week. The Kaa-Kaa Middars are an Indigenous dance group from Cooloongup Primary School. They will be performing to the whole school to help us celebrate and further understand Noongar culture. This information has been posted onto Connect.





**SPEAK UP!**

Find your voice and join  
**Fremantle Gavel Club**  
Public Speaking  
for kids

Did you know...  
People are more scared of public  
speaking than being eaten by a  
shark!



**FORTNIGHTLY MEETINGS HELD ON  
TUESDAYS @ FREMANTLE PARK CLUB**

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