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UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 31 May - Pupil Free Day

Monday 3 June - WA Day **Public Holiday**

Tuesday 4 June - P&C Meeting 7.30pm

Friday 7 June – Room 20 & 21 Assembly

P&C Disco

Friday 14 June - Year 5/6 Winter Carnival

Beaconsfield PS Board (Open Community Meeting)

Each Year, the Beaconsfield PS Board hosts one open community meeting. At this meeting any member of the Beaconsfield Community can attend the meeting. This meeting will take place on Tuesday, 18 June at 6pm in the staffroom. Look out for further information on Connect in the lead up to this meeting for further details.

Winter Uniforms

Now that we are getting into the colder months, it is important families are ready to support their kids with warm clothes that also align with our Uniform Expectations. While I will never take a jumper off a student on a cold day, I do expect that families make every attempt possible to have students wearing the Beaconsfield PS Jumper, and Blue Track Pants only. If you would like support in having this available for your child please reach out to the front office of the school, and we will be very happy to help.

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.

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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 have spoken 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 your 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.

Mr Anthony Edwards Principal

Art News

This term, rooms 10 & 11 IEC and the grade 2's have been deep diving into texture. Students investigated transferring different textures from the environment onto paper and foil then described these textures using vocabulary such as "bumpy", "smooth", "fluffy" and "spiky". The final project was an artwork inspired by Van Gogh's "The Starry Night". Students used a fork to stamp layers of blue onto the page to create a similar texture to the famous painting. During the making of the project, Perth was lucky enough to see Aurora Australis in the night sky. Some students celebrated this event by adding a pinky purple glow to their sky.

Can you help? 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, we are looking for:

Adult size L-XL in white/black Adult size S-M in Blue/Green Kid size to fit 8–12-year-olds in red/orange/yellow (colour coded so we can find the correct size easily)

Ms Cathy



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National Reconciliation Week in Kindy

Over the past two weeks, we have been celebrating National Reconciliation Week in Kindy. The children



listened to the story, "Sorry, Sorry" by Anne Kerr and Marda Pitt which gave the children introduction an to an understanding of the iournev of reconciliation with Australia's First Peoples. After reading the story several times, we reflected on how First Nation Peoples may have felt and what we can do today to help build reconciliation through being respectful and understanding of First Nation culture, language, stories, people and land. We then focussed on how we can care for each other and for Country in the hope that the children can build an appreciation of reconciliation through the importance of looking after one another and nature. The artwork the children created took many days and is layered in meaning. The theme for Reconciliation Week this year is, 'Now, More than Ever,' with the colour yellow representing the sun in the Aboriginal flag and a sign of strength. The children used the colours red, black, yellow, blue and white when creating their art and continued to practise patterning around the sun and along the pathway to reconciliation. The children drew a tree in the middle of the sun to represent growth; growth of mindset, heart and courage to continue the reconciliation journey. The children in Turquoise Kindy also made bird feeders by repurposing pine cones that had fallen to the ground. We spoke to the children about reusing and respecting nature and other ways to protect the environment, such as recycling. The children discussed the tree where they envisioned their bird feeder to go in the hope of attracting more native birds to that area. We then positioned a bird feeder in the Wonnil tree (Peppermint tree) in the playground to observe. Come by Kindy and have a look at their beautiful art and read the words they have used to describe what reconciliation means to them.



P&C Rainbow Disco - 7th June!

Its disco time on the 7 June!!! Thanks to our kind sponsors at Mint Real Estate and Pound Coffee, entry will be free and hopefully we've raised enough money at the lapathon for the kids to all get a free lolly bag and a sausage sizzle and even maybe a glow stick!

The disco is split into two age groups: 4:45 - 6pm: Kindy - Y2 6:15 - 7:30pm: Y3 - Y6

This year's theme is **RAINBOW** so encourage your kids to wear their best rainbow coloured outfit. And for those that don't dig bright colours, remember that rainbows come from rain and rain comes from clouds... There will be PRIZES for best dressed and best dancers thanks to OSHClub's kind support.

There will also be a **FREE PHOTOBOOTH** at the disco this year so your kids will be able

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to take a memento home with them that lasts a bit longer than their sugar buzz!

A quiet space will be provided for students and family members who need a bit of a breather from the pumping tunes.

Paper permission slips will come home with students in week 8 (next week) and remember ALL students need to be supervised.

The disco needs **VOLUNTEERS** to go ahead. Please sign up to help here: <u>https://signup.com/go/MaoarLW</u>

See you there!

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Student Jewellery Design



Our Year 6 student Kayne has entered a competition to design a piece of jewellery. The brief was to design a pendant that is inspired by natural opals in Australia. He has been lucky enough to one of the finalists with his unique design. If he is one of the winners, he will personally receive \$1000 and the Schools Art Department will also receive \$1000. To help Kayne and the schools Art Department you can vote either by visiting Soklich & Co Jewellers on Angelo Street, South Perth or via their website, Facebook or Instagram. Voting for the People's Choice Award opens on Thursday 6 June and closes on Wednesday 26 June 2024. We wish Kayne all the best with his entry.



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