



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wednesday 7 August –**  
Year 2 Scitech excursion

**Thursday 8 August –**  
Choir Crown Concert

**Friday 9 August – Room 6**  
Assembly  
Interschool Cross Country  
P&C Quiz Night

**Friday 16 August – Pupil**  
Free Day

After a massive first week back at the start of the term, we have now settled back into our groove of teaching and learning. Even though the weather has made it difficult for students to enjoy all of their normal breaks, I am still blown away by how settled our classes remain, and how hard our students and staff are working.

### **Yarning Circle Official opening and Smoking Ceremony**

This morning, we were all treated to a traditional smoking ceremony to welcome our new Yarning Circle into the Beacy Community. We had a range of special guest, local Elders and community in attendance to support the event which I very much appreciate.

Our students did an amazing job during the whole event, not that I am surprised by this as our students are always amazing, but again this was one of those events that reminded me how proud I am to be apart of the team at Beaconsfield Primary School.

### **Emergency Evacuation and Lockdown Procedures**

At Beaconsfield PS our first priority is keeping all of your children safe. We don't take for granted the trust you give us everyday you leave your children with us. Apart of this means we need to rehearse what to do in the event we need to have a lock down or evacuate for any reason.

This week we had a go at an evacuation. Our students and staff handled this extremely well considering we have not done this for some time. The best thing about doing these drills is that we get the chance to learn from issues that arise and refine what we do so that in the event of a real emergency we are as safe as we can be.

We will be having more drills in the coming weeks, and we will inform community after we have done these, so please don't be alarmed to hear your child talking about this, it is what we do to keep us all safe.


### Before and After School Supervision

With the addition of our Yarning Circle and new Funky Monkey Bars, we have more areas that children want to play before and after school. As always, I am fine with this, but I need to stress again that parents must be able see their children at all times and actively supervise them outside of school hours. We are seeing an increase in unsupervised students outside of school hours and negative issues are increasing as a result.

### Beacy Brainiacs – Week 3 Term 3

Welcome back to Term 3! Get your brains ready for some flexible thinking! 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!

Don't forget EVERY Wednesday Lunch time is Numero Club. Come join Mr Oakley in the Library for some (sum) Numero fun!  
**Helping your child where they need it. Mixing this up a bit this week – here are some question examples that lots of children may struggle with. Have a go and earn yourself a PBS point.**

Year 2-3	Year 4-5	Year 6
Ethan bought a book for \$18.70.  He gave the shopkeeper a \$20 note.  Draw a set of coins that shows the correct change Ethan will get?	A shop is selling 3 boxes of breakfast cereal for \$10.    How much will it cost for 12 boxes?	Which number is half way between 0.3 and 0.35?  <b>0.16</b> <b>0.3025</b> <b>0.315</b> <b>0.32</b> <b>0.325</b>  How do you know this?

## J of the JOKE WEEK

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

Why did the kid throw a stick of butter out the window?  
*To see a butter-fly.*

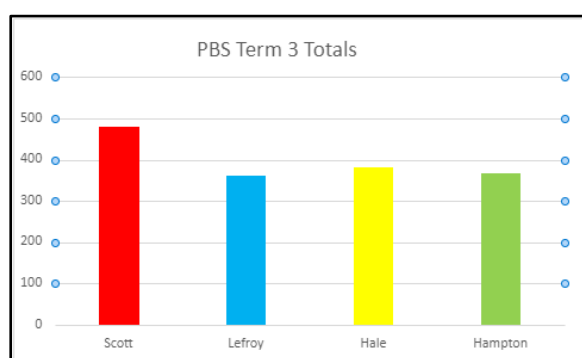
Why didn't the teddy bear eat dessert?  
*He was stuffed.*

What do you give a sick lemon?  
*Lemon-aid.*

What did the cupcake tell its frosting?  
*I'd be muffin without you.*

## PBS UPDATE

Term 3 has begun. Lots of PBS points were given away to students who were following our 3 values: Considerate, Courageous and Community. Our focus this fortnight is "I move promptly, quietly and safely"



## ART NEWS

This year's NAIDOC theme- "Keep the fires Burning" gave us a great reason to work with a lot of warm colours to start off this cool term. Celebrating NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week through art in our school brings so many benefits for our students and community. Drawing, painting and 'making' are practical ways for students to learn about the rich cultural heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of this country.

We learnt about Aboriginal uses of fire over 40 000 years in Australia. We discussed land management, harvesting, medicine, science and technology, cooking, art, ceremony, as well as fire's central role in gathering and connecting people. It was a great opportunity to encourage critical thinking and reflection on historical and

contemporary issues: Fire is deeply embedded in Aboriginal culture and shaping this country.

Participating in NAIDOC art activities builds empathy and respect among students for Indigenous experiences and perspectives, fostering a sense of community. We hope these hands-on projects provide memorable learning experiences and opportunities for students to showcase their artistic talents, boosting their confidence and pride. We also hope that Celebrating NAIDOC Week through art has a lasting impact on students' cultural awareness and sensitivity, inspiring them to become advocates for social justice and reconciliation in the future.

\*Miss Olivia's classes please remember to collect as many gum nuts as possible of different shapes and sizes for our mask project. Trees are laden at the moment and with all the wind there are so many easy to collect, like treasure lying on the ground all over the place!!!

From Olivia Samec and Miss Cathy Cooksey





## IEC News

The IEC students have been enjoying moments of sunshine working in small groups in the Yarning Circle. Teaching and Learning out amongst nature in this special place also encourages mindfulness and connection. What a lovely place to focus and learn.



## Sustainability News

A HUGE thank you to all families who donated their old blankets and towels to the Shenton Dog's Refuge Home. The doggos are incredibly grateful to be able to have snuggle up in this cold weather. Tilly pictured below had a big grin on her face!

Please feel free to drop off any old blankets and towels to my office in the Senior block in the future.

In other news, we will be starting gardening club this week (Tuesday recess) in the Kitchen Garden, with the aim to get kids hands dirty, enjoy the outdoor space and tend to the

garden. The club is open to all kids in Years 3-6.

## Rottnest Campus Olympic Activities

Over the last 2 weeks the children have been focusing on the Olympic Games in Paris 2024. The photo below is of "Our Display" which included lots of different activities such as making Olympic torches, wreaths, rings, medals, phryges (Mascot) and pictograms. What an absolutely awesome display by all the children, Kindy - Year 4 at Rottnest, "A Gold Medal".



Mrs Pamela Dunstall

## Fremantle College AFL Academy

Fremantle College will be conducting try outs for the AFL program on the 21 August at 3.30pm. No experience is required to join the program as it is focused heavily on developing students AFL ability as well as their leadership, resilience and teamwork skills.

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\* T&Cs - restrictions apply to Samphire dates: school & public holiday blackout. No cash alternatives  
Ticket sales end midnight 8th of August & winners announced at the quiz night on 9th of August

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