



**BEACONSFIELD**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# The Beacon

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday 9 -11 December-**  
Swimming Lessons Yrs 3-6

**Tuesday 10 December –**  
Presentation Assembly

**Thursday 12 December –**  
Last Day Term 4

**Friday 13 December – Pupil**  
Free Day

### Last Newsletter for 2024!

I feel like I have said this hundreds of times recently, but where has the year gone? Here we are coming into the last week of school for 2024. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to our year 6's and some other families that are moving to other schools. Given our school has such a strong sense of community, saying goodbye is always that little bit harder.

### IEC Exiting Assembly

Last week, we had a very special ceremony to congratulate and say goodbye to our 2024 IEC exiting students. Their journey has been remarkable, going from having little or no English, to reading, speaking and writing in English at a standard that is at least equal to their mainstream peers.

It was also very sad to take time to acknowledge that we are losing these students and families from the Beacy community given in their short time with us we have all grown so close. We find comfort in the idea that we have given these students the tools to not just survive but thrive in their local mainstream schools.

### Year 6 Graduation

Last Night, was my first Beacy graduation as Principal. For the first time we held the ceremony as a stand alone after school event which was a huge success. Our families were treated to where each student was recognised for completing Primary School, we had Year level awards, an outstanding student leader speech and a special parent speech delivered by Dave Spencer on behalf of the parent cohort to the students.

Students then got on a bus to their Dinner Dance at the very fancy East Fremantle Yacht Club for a night filled with Dancing, fun, great food and so much laughter. We were then joined by the families at the end of the night for a few dances all together which was a very special way to end the evening.

Thank you so much to Miss Borrill and the Year 6 Teaching Team for coordinating such a wonderful event for our families and students to enjoy and reflect upon their time at Beacy.

### **Thank you, Thank you, Thank you Beacy Community**

I am going to be selfish for a moment and take some time to share my sincerest gratitude to the Beaconsfield Community. At the end of 2023, I left a school community in Queensland that I was so deeply connected with, and as 2024 began I was filled with so much apprehension about if I would ever find a school I felt so connected with.

I am so grateful that I landed at Beacy. The staff, community and most importantly students have welcomed me with open arms right from the start. The school community has been patient with me and allowed me to make mistakes as I work my way through developing a deeper understanding of our community. Families have been kind and interested in how I am going, and I have felt nothing but support and trust throughout the year.

2024 has been a year of significant learning for me, and in relation to our community, I know there is still so much more learning to come, but I already feel at home here so I am extremely excited about the years to come and where we can take this school together as a school community.

I want to make a special thank you to the School Board and P&C. From a community perspective these people have played a vital role in helping me understand how our community views different things and their support and guidance through the year has made such a big difference to me.

And of course, a massive thank you to the amazing Beacy staff. It is their hard work and dedication to every single student that makes such a positive difference for all of us. I could not enjoy and do my job without this amazing team. Let's hope for many more great years to come!

On behalf of all of us at Beacy, we wish all our families a happy and safe Christmas break. For those that are leaving us, we wish you all the best on your new schooling adventure, and for those families staying on, we look forward to seeing everyone in 2025 after a well deserved holiday after the craziness that was 2024.

All the best!  
Anthony Edwards  
Principal

## Beacy Brainiacs

The last Beacy Brainiacs for 2024! 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!

**Helping your child where they need it. Here are some question examples that lots of children may struggle with. Have a go and earn yourself a PBS point.**

4. How does a snowman get around?

**By riding an "icicle"!**

7. Why are Christmas trees so bad at knitting?

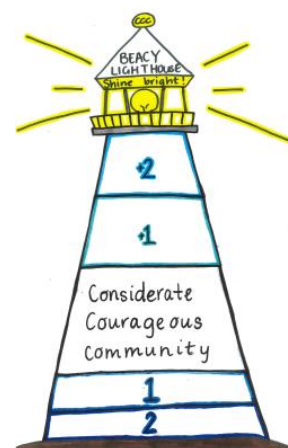
**They always drop their needles!**

8. What do snowmen do on the weekend?

**Chill out!**

## PBS UPDATE

We are racing to the end of the year. 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 appreciate others."**



### Year 1-2

Using only addition and the digit 8, can you make 1,000? You can put 8s together to make 88, for example.



### Year 3-4

5 people give each other a present. How many presents are given altogether?



### Year 5-6

4 friends entered a math quiz. One answered 1/5 of the math questions, one answered 1/10, one answered 1/4, and the other answered 4/25. What percentage of the questions did they answer altogether?



## Joke of the WEEK

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

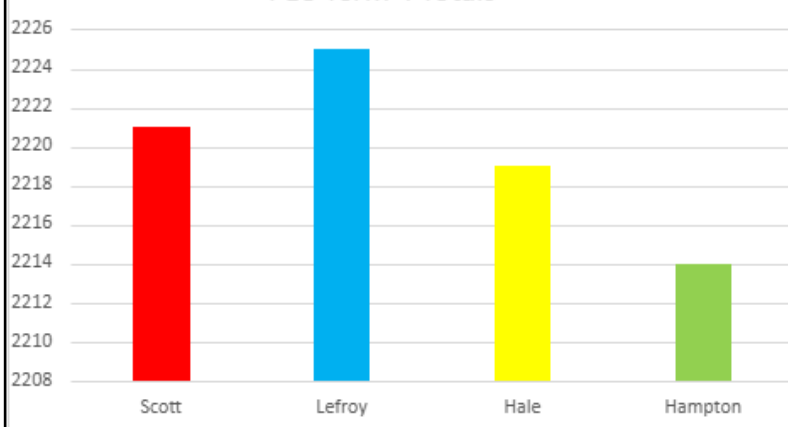
1. What do you call Santa when he's stuck in a chimney?

**Claustrophobic!**

3. What's a reindeer's favorite type of singer?

**Elvis Presley!**

PBS Term 4 Totals





## Stem Studio Day

Students across years 4 – 6 competed in a school-organised STEM competition. They worked up to the day by researching and designing a solution to problems they wanted to investigate further. Judges, which included parent helpers, state STEM experts and even Mr. Oakley interviewed the students and asked about their problems, how they went about researching and solving them and what they would do next. At the end of the day, we had three very deserving winners:

- Mar – Best Overall
- Alice – Best Use of STEM
- Harper – Best Presentation

Congratulations to each participant, as the competition was very close!



## Olden Days on Rotto

On Tuesday, the Rottneest Campus dressed up in olden days clothing and learnt all about school life in the past. We walked through the historic buildings in town and visited the original school. Back at school, we churned our own butter from cream by shaking it in a glass. It was delicious on fresh white bread! Later, we researched inventions and innovations in technology that interest us. There was a long list of ideas to research, but the most popular choices were changes in weapon technology and how the flushing toilet came to be invented! What a fun day imaging life in the past. I wonder how much will change is still to come in the future!



## Book Lists 2025

All parents should have now received their 2025 book lists. If you are ordering through Campion and would like to receive free delivery, please make sure you order prior to 13 December 2024. You can still order after this time but will be charged a delivery fee or you can visit them in store. The link below will assist you in ordering online.

<https://campion.com.au/parents/how-to-order/>

If you require a hard copy of the school book list, please don't hesitate to come into the front administration office.

## Dental Therapy Notice for Year 6 Students

The School Dental Service continues to offer free dental treatment to school students aged from 5 years up to their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday if occurs before the end of Year 11.

Your child can continue to go to the same Dental Therapy Centre attended in Primary School, or you can choose to attend another clinic which is more convenient. Your nearest Dental Therapy Centre is Beaconsfield DTC on 93358758

Please advise the Dental Therapy Centre if you have changed your address or phone number.

If your child is not already enrolled and you wish to do so, please contact the clinic directly.

## Art News

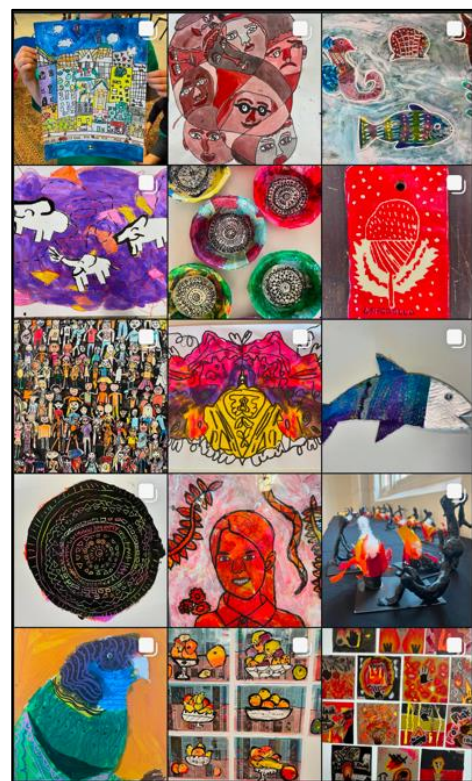
Congratulations to all the students that worked on the Bunnings Christmas tree – particularly mid-IEC, grade 4 and grade 1. It looks amazing and does a great job in honouring the sacred the Moojar tree, AKA the WA Christmas tree.

Student work will be coming home in the next few days. I'd love to see photos of how families display work if you are happy to share, please email

[cathy.cooksey@education.edu.au](mailto:cathy.cooksey@education.edu.au)

Thanks in advance for supplying the items on the book lists that have been allocated for Art. If a student still has plenty of space in their sketch book, they are very welcome to continue to use the same book in 2025. As the year comes to a close, Ms Olivia and I would like to congratulate all our students for their creativity, growth, and imagination in 2024. Students have explored materials, techniques, and artistic styles, developing both their skills and confidence. We've celebrated the joy of self-expression, learned about diverse artists and cultures, and worked together on exciting collaborative projects. We look forward to more artistic adventures in 2025!

Happy holidays everyone!  
Ms Cathy



## 2025 Mainstream Class Structure

Room	Teacher	Education Assistant/s
Kindy Orange	Sarah Billingham	Jen Rudolphy
Kindy Purple	Shannon Boot	Karyna Pruim
Kindy Turquoise	Sarah Williamson	Amanda Jakovich
PP Seahorse	Dea Hughes/Brooke Gray	Joyce Reichelt & Tracy Tchami
PP Starfish	Di Nottage/Adrienne Nunn	Claudette Cole/Jasmin Karafil
Room 5 Year 1	Lily Robert/Ana Oliveira (F)	
Room 6 Year 1	Kate Tills	Sen Harris/Tori Italiano
Room 1 Year 1/2	Shanae Wardrope	Jasmin Karafil
Room 2 Year 2	Louise Glassborow	
Room 3 Year 2	Noeleen Mackintosh	
Room 4 Year 2	Emeli Telenta	Tori Italiano
Room 21 Year 3	Louise Bennett	Alison Firth/TBC
Room 22 Year 3	Rachel Sheridan	Alison Firth/Christine Hablutzel
Room 23 Year 3	Ella Herbert	Leona Grbavac
Room 19 Year 4	Paris Schroeder	Suzie Oakley
Room 15 Year 4	Kate Langoulant	
Room 16 Year 4	Olivia Marshall	Deb Gillespie
Room 17 Year 5	Katie Chrystal	
Room 18 Year 5	Brett Morellini/Claudia Baxter (F)	Deb Gillespie/Tracey Hunt
Room 12 Year 6	Darcy Rudd	Heidi Lazzaro
Room 13 Year 6	Molly Geller	Roslinda Kudus/Marianna Rotondella
Rottnest	Penny Excel/David Andersson	Sen Harris/TBC
Early Childhood Intervention		Jaimee Rogers
Year 2-4 Intervention		Leanda Watkins
Sustainability	Esther Clark (M – W)	
Art	Cathy Cooksey (M – W)	



	Oliva Samec (Th, F)	
<b>PE</b>	Sarah Lechte (M – W) Julia Hodson (W – F)	
<b>Italian</b>	Ana Oliveira (M – W)	
<b>Music</b>	Avril Mulligan (Th, F) TBC (M – F)	
<b>IEC</b>	IEC Class structure still to be finalised	

<b>Administration</b>	
<b>Learning Support</b>	Kerry Kelton
<b>Instructional Coach</b>	Caz Park
<b>Manager Corporate Services</b>	Danelle Karafil
<b>Front Office</b>	Natalie Osborne, Anna Perry, Jacqui Scott
<b>IEC Deputy Principal</b>	Ceri Page
<b>Deputy Principal</b>	Amy Borrill
<b>Deputy Principal</b>	Kyle Oakley
<b>Principal</b>	Anthony Edwards

## Intensive English Centre Exiting Assembly

On Friday 29th December, the IEC held their Exiting Assembly. This assembly included Room 19 - Senior IECs - item, the presentation of the Exiting Certificates to 51 students and finished with a musical performance. Over 70 guests attended the celebration and then joined the students and staff for a shared morning tea. It was a fabulous event that celebrated the IEC students hard work and effort.

Thank you to all the wonderful students for their hard work this year and to our fabulous families and carers for their ongoing support. We wish our exiting students the best of luck for their new schools.

Thank you  
Andi Hill (DP IEC)





**SJK**  
**School Holiday**  
**MASTERCLASS**  
**WALLY HAGAN STADIUM**

**8.30-2.30 Tuesday 14th January**  
**Wally Hagan Stadium**  
**For kids aged 6 - 14 years old**  
**Players of ALL levels welcome**

**Register now!**  
Or visit [samkerrfootball.com](http://samkerrfootball.com)

## Chess 2025

Looking for expressions of interest to get a chess club up and going for 2025. Please put your name on the list outside Deputy Principals/Chaplains office. We have a wonderful chess master who explains everything at every level. All equipment will be supplied. Please ask Chappy if you have any questions.



## Lost Property

Our lost property is overflowing with lost items. Can all families please check to see if they have an item of clothing. Anything not taken, will be donated.




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**JOIN TO HELP OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS**

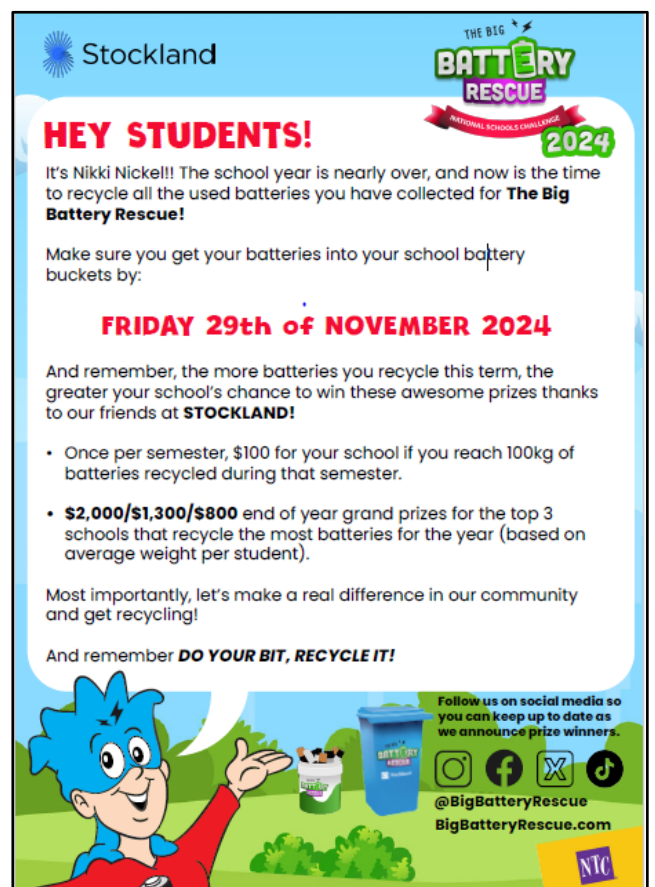
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**THE BIG BATTERY RESCUE**  
NATIONAL SCHOOLS CHALLENGE 2024

**HEY STUDENTS!**

It's Nikki Nickel!!! The school year is nearly over, and now is the time to recycle all the used batteries you have collected for **The Big Battery Rescue!**

Make sure you get your batteries into your school battery buckets by:

**FRIDAY 29th of NOVEMBER 2024**

And remember, the more batteries you recycle this term, the greater your school's chance to win these awesome prizes thanks to our friends at **STOCKLAND!**

- Once per semester, \$100 for your school if you reach 100kg of batteries recycled during that semester.
- \$2,000/\$1,300/\$800** end of year grand prizes for the top 3 schools that recycle the most batteries for the year (based on average weight per student).

Most importantly, let's make a real difference in our community and get recycling!

And remember **DO YOUR BIT, RECYCLE IT!**

Follow us on social media so you can keep up to date as we announce prize winners.

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## ARTISTIC SWIMMING

### JANUARY 2025





Department of  
Local Government, Sport  
and Cultural Industries




Tue, 14/01 | 4 PM **Swan Active Ballajura**

Wed, 15/01 | 3 PM **UWA Aquatic Centre**

Thu, 16/01 | 11:30 AM **Bold Park**  
4 PM **Cannington Leisureplex**

Fri, 17/01 | 10 AM **Riverton**

Sat, 18/01 | 8 AM **Cockburn ARC**  
10 AM **Scarborough Beach Pool**

Sun, 19/01 | 11 AM **Claremont Aquatic**

Mon, 20/01 | 2 PM **Beatty Park**

Tue, 21/01 | 1 PM **LeisureFit Booragoon**  
3 PM **Bayswater Waves**

Wed, 22/01 | 3 PM **Belmont**

Thu, 23/01 | 2 PM **Fremantle Leisure Centre**

Sat, 25/01 | 10:30 AM **Rockingham Aqua Jetty**  
1 PM **Mandurah MARC**  
3 PM **Armadale**

Sun, 02/02 | 3 PM **Craigie Leisure Centre**

Enjoy Artistic Swimming for FREE!  
All children aged 7-14 welcome  
Participants cover own entry fees



SCAN ME

Bring along your swimming attire, goggles and towel.  
Basic swimming ability is essential. Please register your  
interest on Artistic Swimming WA eventbrite page or scan  
QR Code. For more information, contact  
development.officer@synchrowa.org.au

## Schools

## Out Summer

## Party!

**THURSDAY**  
**Dec 12th**  
4 : 00 PM

**LIVE BEATS**  
**FROM**  
**DJ JEWEL**

**KIDS:** free super doopers  
all night!

**PARENTS:** check out our new  
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