



# BEACONSFIELD The Beacon

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Friday April 11 – Last day of Term 1

**Monday April 28** – First Day of Term 2

**Tuesday 29 April** – Edu-Dance commences

# Easter Holidays.... Here we come!

Wow, where has the time gone? While there are days where this term feels like a lifetime, it is also easy to feel like the year is going way too fast. As I walk around the school, I get so much joy out of seeing how far our classes and individual students have come in such a short time already this year. It's exciting to think about the positive change we may see over the course of the year.

for all our Beacy families, I hope you all have a safe, happy and well-deserved break with lots of quality time together.

### **ANZAC Services**

Our Beaconsfield Primary School service will be held on Friday, in the first week back next term. All families are very welcome and encouraged to come along and as a whole school community to show our respects for those that have dedicated their lives to defending the way of life we get to enjoy.

Our School Captains will be laying a wreath at the Monument Hill Dawn Service this year as we did last year for the first time. This is a special event that I am very proud that our school is represented at.

At this stage, we are tentatively booked in to participate as a school in the Fremantle Street Parade later in the morning on ANZAC Day. I haven't yet fully decided if we will participate just yet, given the timing of the day (end of the holidays) and that the City of Fremantle has asked that the students all march together in school uniform without the parents.

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I am just working through how I can manage this safely before committing fully. But please keep this in mind as a possibility for the day, as if we do participate it would be great to have massive turn out from our community. A decision will be communicated before the end of next week.

## **Absence Messaging System**

Thank you again to families for your ongoing support in notifying the school of your child's absence. For the most part this is working really well, and we continue to have a reduction in unexplained absences. Please be mindful that this system requires manual work to be done each morning in the front office, and given he extremely busy nature of schools there will be occasions where our system won't always work perfectly, and I hold no apologies for, as we are doing our best.

Please remember to always be kind and respectful with our staff when you are communicating about this.

Below are ways to inform the school of your child's absence from now on:

- Text message to 0409687076 with student's name, class and absence reason
- Email to Beaconsfield.PS@education.wa. edu.au
- Beaconsfield PS Website
   Beaconsfield Primary School –
   Independent Public School in
   Western Australia This has a
   contact function that is addressed
   to the same place other notification
   go to. (this is the mostly time
   consuming option for parents)

Parents are still encouraged to notify their child's teacher as a matter of courtesy. I am aware that Connect has the function of notifying of an absence, however this seems to be unreliable at times, and not our preferred option.

### **ACROD Parks in the staff Carpark**

A very important reminder to our families that the two allocated ACROD parks in our car park is for our families with the appropriate permit. These families rely on these parks to access our school safely on a daily basis, and recently we have had an increase of these parks being used by people out of a matter of convenience rather than need.

Misuse of these parking spots makes life extremely difficult for those families that need this, so I ask that we are mindful of this and ensure we only use these parks if we have the appropriate permit displayed.

### **Dad's Camp at Rotto**

As you will know, this weekend is Dad's Camp for our families. For those families that are participating I hope you all have a great time and get to spend quality and focused time with your children. This is a wonderful opportunity to put all your focus onto your kids and have some fun in such a special part of the world. I look forward to hearing all the stories from the students next week.

All the best

# Anthony Edwards Principal

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# **Beacy Brainiacs - Week 9 Term 1**

A new fortnight for some more Beacy Brainiac fun! 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 <a href="mailto:kyle.oakley@education.wa.edu.au">kyle.oakley@education.wa.edu.au</a> or give to your class teacher and mention you are a Beacy Brainiac!

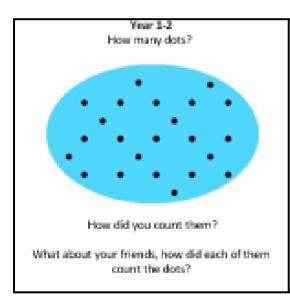
Helping your child where they need it. Here are some question examples that lots of children may struggle with. Have a go and earn yourself a PBS point. Why do windmills like heavy metal? Because they are a huge metal fan.

#### **PBS UPDATE**

We are racing to the end of the term. Lots of PBS points were given away to students who were following our 3 values: Considerate, Courageous and Community. The students have earnt extra lunch on Friday of Week 10.



How exciting! Our focus this fortnight is "I use appropriate language and manners"



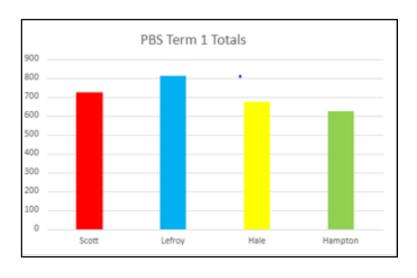
# Year 3 = 6 (Challenge) Would you rather... Be given 60% of 3 pizzas or 26% of 5 pizzas? Have 10% of \$5 or 75% of 80c? Be bitten by 15% of 120 mosquitoes or 8% of 250 mosquitoes? Skip using a rope which is \$4% of 105cm long, or 88% of 2.75m long? Sit in a traffic jam for 33% of 2 hours or 44% of 1hr 40mins?

# JOKE WEEK

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

I'm thinking of opening a jewellery store. If anybody wants to help, give me a ring!

Why do cows have hooves instead of feet? They lactose.



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### **Art news**

In the final weeks of term 1, the grade 1's and 2's from rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4 took part in a large-scale community collaborative artwork facilitated by Vessel, a new contemporary arts organisation that is taking over the Naval Store in Freo.

Students sketched their observations of nature and then painted one of their observations onto a huge canvas. This canvas will be transported to artist, Gian Manik's Fremantle studio where he will use the students work as a background to create an imaginative vision for the future. Students, parents and teachers will have the opportunity to preview the exhibition before it opens to the public at 3.30pm Friday 27th June.

Also unveiled this week was our beautiful Harmony Day banner, created by Beacy kids and expertly assembled by Ms Olivia! Art club has kicked off with our first project being making replacement clay tiles for the ANZAC memorial on the Arts block. We have space for a few more participants if anyone wants to attend on Monday at recess next week then starting up again in week 4 next term.

We hope everyone gets a chance to be creative or attend a creative event these school holidays. I recommend getting down to Sculpture at Bathers (at Bathers Beach, Freo) from the 4<sup>th</sup> –21 April. On show are incredible works including sculptures from current Beacy parent, Mandy Hawkhead and ex-Beacy parent, Alessandra

Rossi. <u>sculptureatbathers.com.au</u>

Have a great break everyone! Ms Cathy Art teacher M-W (Olivia Samec T-F)









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# **The Big Battery Rescue**

The recycling bins have been collected, the weights have been verified and I am thrilled to announce that in 2024 all participating schools recycled a combined total of 9,559 kilograms of batteries. This is an incredible effort that represents the weight of approx. 415,608 AA batteries diverted from landfill and 29,923.83kg of CO2e emissions avoided – the equivalent of the greenhouse gas emissions from a car driving 122,636.84km!

Beaconsfield Primary School collected a massive 121kg of batteries in total, or 222.84g per student.

-SPECIAL PROMOTION - register and make payment before Thursday 3rd April and receive one free half day holiday clinic voucher

Tennis skill development including fun games and all equipment is provided. To register please make payment online: Fremantle topspin tennis \$185

BSB: 016281 Account: 428641888

Please attach name to payment All enquiries please contact Brendan 0401565051 or

fremantletopspintennis@gmail.com



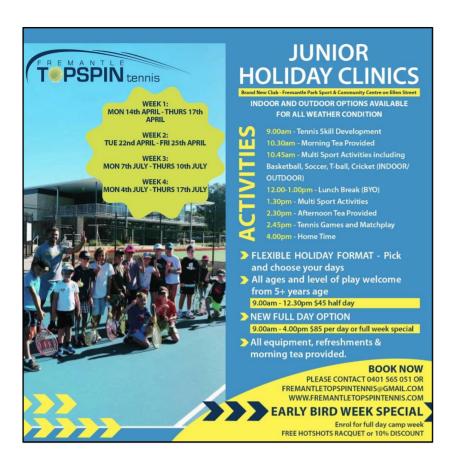
# Term 2 Before School Hot-Shots Tennis Coaching@ Beaconsfield Primary School

Commence Week One Wednesday 30th April

(8-week Program) 8.00-8.45 am school campus -mini nets on the basketball court All ages and level of play welcome and includes free equipment hire. Hot Shots Package includes:

-FREE hot shots rally every Saturday morning 9.30-10.30 am at Fremantle Tennis Club in Term 2

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