On our final night, we spent more time practising our skills. After dinner we went up to the hall and started our performances. Everyone did such a good job commenting on how we laughed so much... some even brought tears to our eyes they were so funny.

Our final day got off to an early start, more fences first up (payment for keeping them)...
Students at Beaconfield are doing a great job at demonstrating our expectations around behaviour, attitude and a sense of being safe, responsible and respectful members of the school community. The existence of our positive school culture was confirmed and endorsed by the Principal's visit from the Discipline Auditor (an experienced Principal from the South-East corner) who conducted a school visit and returned to the District Discipline Audit report. (For a more detailed look at the school’s Discipline Audit report, go to the school’s website and look at the Quick links below and in the corner of the homepage). It was very satisfying to have the excellent work that our school is doing through the SWPBS program, validated and celebrated (by someone unknown to our school) as the driving force behind creating our positive school culture.

Over the last fortnight our buddy staff distributed over 5700 PAs which have resulted in 203 Buzz Award presentations to students on Assembly (buzzy Buzz Award) and on Friday classroom celebrations. Congratulations to the 70 Classroom champions who were the Week 6 PAT Champions with 450 PAs! and to Brudman learning group, our Week 7 Champions with 487 PAs. No doubt the lower school classes will be keen to surpass the upper school groups for the remaining fortnight.

Congratulations to the following students who were Mature Buzz Award Recipients on assembly over the last fortnight:

100 Club - Wk. 6: Lilliania Bradford, Tyreece Sturrock, Brooklyn Siersema, Shelby Vennum, Noah Gould, Shamarra Miller, Miya Gademic, Melyn Hayes, Jayden Riegling, Makayla-Reya Reynolds, Millie Twuvenock, Jack Ulrich, Abigail Watson, Chante Longemeer, Elia Kong, Brynn Ferguson, Ashdon Davis, Timothy Miller, Lara Nguero, Riter Petren, Thomas Lownes, Juan Gasel, Coby Rohlman, Ashley Hulich.

Wk. 7: Dylan Newberry, Kaidyn Ahman, Arrite Dow, Joshua Sald, Jack Derkins, Liam Halay, Lyndsey Muesker, Brooke Fokker, Sabrin Sekeres, Master Shepherd, Emma Barbin, Eli Esherman, Argishe Joyle.

200 Club - Wk. 6: Malayke Kerwin, Georgia Chish, Grace Ryland, Amy Loney, Caleb Johns, Katie Lesker, Bridge Irvine, MacKenzie Smyth, Syiahla Matre Hughes-Roki.

Wk. 7: Aquilla Fisher, Sammer Sren, Veronika Creese, Talulah Kuren, Jackie Moxham, Sizzle Muller, Bobby Peterwood.

100 Club - Tahl Arnold.


Our whole school behaviour lesson focus for this week has been from our Be Responsible list of expectations - “Ask permission to leave the classroom.” The students who committed this lesson with students, is that it is all about maximising your learning time (ensuring that students have the permission of staff before leaving a classroom) and by being safe and ensuring the expecting adult is aware of where you are.

Our behaviour focus for next week is another from our Be Safe list – “Wear shoes and socks at all times.” This expectation is all about safety and ensuring that students have their feet protected, with students only having their shoes and socks off on the rare occasions where staff give permission to do so (sprinkles on aprtys etc.).

I encourage all parents/carers to discuss and reinforce these expectations with their children to help them understand the importance of meeting these behaviour standards each and every day. I invite you towards to share these expectations over the next fortnight, as they embrace our school values of being safe, respectful and responsible learners.

Dorren Russell

Deputy Principal

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SPIRIT WEEK AT BEACONFIELD STATE SCHOOL

This week we celebrated National Literacy and Numeracy Week with the following events:

Monday

School Spirit Day

Tuesday

Buddy Day

Wednesday

Random Acts of Kindness Day

Thursday

Paint Day

Friday

Dress-up Day

The more that you read, the more places you’ll go - Dr Seuss

Last week we celebrated National Literacy and Numeracy Week and what a fun week it was! At Beaconfield State School we value the basics — reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. This year we have introduced a new program in our school calendar, we decided to have “Number Facts and Spelling Bee Challenge” and a “Poem in your Pocket Competition”.

Students were given a core list of spelling words to learn, along with a list of number facts to practise a week prior to the Challenges. There was lot of excitement, mixed with anticipation, on the days when the Spelling Bee and Number Fact Challenge were conducted, as students tried their best to spell the words and answer the sums correctly. As with any competition there can only be one winner, but I think in this case, each student’s Literacy and Numeracy Development was the real winner, as through their hard work and practice, all students incomerently improved their spelling and number facts skills.

In the battle of the Spelling Bee there were two contestants who were placed getters in the two competitions. We commend these students for their effort and the hard work they put in prior to the challenges. These students were Chelsea Wood, who is slender and neck and often it took two or three rounds to get a winner! Already some students have vowed to practice even harder for next year.

another fun activity organised for that week was the “Dress-up Day” when students and staff were encouraged to come to school on Thursday, dressed as their favorite Storybook character and bring their storybook to school!

Due to illness I was unable to attend, but was told that we had some fabulous costumes make an appearance on the day. Judging best dressed in each class was made very difficult by the wonderful costumes the students and their parents had created. Staff were so impressed by the effort and hard work behind the costumes and the obvious love and effort that the students at Beaconfield State School.

We have included some photos taken on ‘Dress-up Day’ and our competition winners...... See if there are any storybook characters you can recognise??

Carnel Pyatt - Music Teacher

SPORTS

This week was officially the 1st week of the term with the emphasis on a healthy lifestyle and nutrition. With the fine weather, all students used to be outside playing and enjoying the sunshine. It was a major health boost in North Queensland so we encourage everyone to be sun-safe by wearing a hat and using sunscreen. Also, students need to stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water. Following our completion of the sporting activities in the Australia-Athletics Carnival against Rockhampton, Gladstone and Emerald, Mackay’s Daniel was selected to compete at State for the 3950m in October. We wish her further success with her team as all medical notes about this carnival must be returned to Mr. Nolan by the due date. Also on Thursday the 12th September, the MD Netball Gala day will be held for girls from 2003, 2004 or 2005. This expression of interest round has also been distributed to these