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Our Core Values are:

Caring. Tolerance. Consideration. Truthfulness. Loyalty. Fairness. Friendliness. Co-operation.

Year 8 Kryal Castle Excursion

All Year 8 students travelled to Kryal Castle on Wednesday 29th July to experience a day of interactive medieval fun.

Students arrived at the castle gates where they were greeted by a knight in full battle attire. A tour of the castle followed as students learnt about the structure of the castle and the castle's role in defending the people inside.

Students then enjoyed a series of hands on workshops where they learnt about Feudal society, castle life, the black plague, war and battle, and law and justice during the Middle Ages.

Presenters of the workshops used story telling and encouraged students to take part in all activities, dressing up in traditional clothing and taking on roles of Medieval characters.

The day was a very memorable experience of Medieval life where students were transported back in time.



*Above: Bring back the stocks, I say!
Punishment the Medieval way.
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Photos: Dressing up as Feudal Lords and members of the court brought the Middle Ages alive for the students



**NOTE - CANTEEN CLOSED
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Remember the 3 Rs - Respect for self; Respect for others; Responsibility for all your actions.

From the Principal's Desk



An excellent program going on at the school at present is the Disabilities Awareness Project being undertaken by the VCAL Personal Development group and the Year 9/10 Advance class.

Throughout semester 2, students will be undertaking the "Scope Young Ambassadors Program". The focus for this program is to develop a greater understanding of the importance of creating inclusive communities, and increase accessibility for all people by developing awareness and understanding of people living with disability. Workshops will be run at the school, and students will visit Highpoint Industries in Melbourne.

The VCAL students have also negotiated their own community project to enhance their learning in this area. It will include:

- Organising and running a disabilities awareness program for Year 7 and 8 students. A range of community and government organisations will be involved in the planning and on the day. Fundraising to be conducted during lunchtime will enable the school to purchase a range of interesting disabilities educational resources.

- Working with the Pyrenees Shire to improve the understanding of service and access issues for people living with a disability in Beaufort. Students will undertake their own services and access audit of the town and report their findings to the Shire in the form of a useful community resource.

My congratulations to Ms. Doherty and Ms. McDonald who have developed this program.

A reminder that the annual parent opinion survey will be conducted in the two week period starting next Monday. The data gained is important for monitoring school performance and making our school the best it can possibly be. Forty randomly selected families will receive a parent opinion survey early next week. We ask that these families return the completed surveys to the General Office at the school.

Steve Macaulay
(Principal)

Tony Collier Golf Day

On June 26th, the final day of Term 2, Beaufort Secondary and Primary schools competed in a golf competition at Beaufort golf course.

The competition was organised by Tony Collier, a local golf professional, who appropriately modified the course to suit each school and provided equipment, prizes and a BBQ lunch.

It was an enjoyable day for all who competed, showcasing some of the talented golfers at Beaufort Secondary. Shayne McIntyre and Jessica Crack took out the title for lowest scores whilst a number of other spot prizes were also handed out for the day.

Thank you to Mr. De Zoete-Spiero and Mr. Macaulay who attended and special thanks to Tony Collier and the Beaufort Golf Club for the effort in creating such an enjoyable day for all.



Left: Students from Beaufort Secondary and Primary schools at the Golf Clinic.

Top: Shayne and Jessica were winners from BSC

Above: Senior students enjoy a break at lunchtime.

Right: Glen shows his golfing style.



English Puzzle 38

Answer to last weeks puzzle:

LEMONADE, MINORITY, NEWSCAST

This weeks puzzle: Extensions.



From the row above, add three letters to the row below to make an eight-letter word.



All Creatures Great and Small

Even the Cup Cakes tell the tail!



A very successful BBQ and Cup Cake Day was held yesterday by the SRC to raise funds for the RSPCA (cupcakes) and the Dean/Cartledge family (BBQ).

Look for a full report on this event in next week's Newsletter.

Above: Cup cakes decorated with animal motifs. Special thanks to former BSC student Lisa Biggin for her help in making and decorating some of the cup cakes and her assistance with this event.

Reminder

Monday 24th August - Ballarat Careers Exp09

7pm to 9pm at Ballarat Grammar

Enter via Gate C on Forest Street

Entry \$1 per person

Sunday, 30th August - Open Days at Ballarat University of Ballarat

Aquinas Catholic University

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Year 8 Basketball

On Thursday, 13th August, the Year 8 teams travelled to Daylesford to compete in Basketball.

Both boys and girls played three games each. The girls lost the first game by 2 points, their second game by 3 points and were successful in their third game.

They all played very well.

The boys came up against a lot of better teams. The opposition were much taller and had a lot more talent, but to the boys credit, they tried hard but still lost all their games.

Thank you to Mr. De Zoete-Spiero and Chappy (Mr. Kynoch) for taking the students.

BSSSA Senior Basketball

On Wednesday July 22nd, the senior boys and girls made the trip to Daylesford to compete in the BSSSA Basketball. This is always a difficult task as many of the larger schools have their teams competing in state and national competitions on a regular basis.

The day consisted of 3 games each where our students competed with a high level of spirit against a very high level of competition. The girls were the most successful on the day falling only 4 points short of winning in their 2nd game.

Well done to all students who attended and a special thanks to Mr. Collins for driving the bus and Mr. Kynoch the school Chaplain who attended as the coach for the day.



Above: The Senior Boys team (L-R) - Mark, Brandon, Daniel, Corey, Joel. Front - Liam and Aaron.

Below: The Senior Girls team (L-R) - Kylie, Jacqui, Shannyn, Laura. Front - Melinda and Ashlee.



More Photos from Kryal Castle



Above: The Red Army prepares for battle.



Above: The Blue Army lines up to defend their castle.



Above: Weapons drawn, shields in place - ready the charge!



Above: All out warfare - Medieval style.

Rotary Club of Beaufort Information Afternoon

**Beaufort Community Development Centre
(opposite the Beaufort Hotel)**

Sunday 13th September 2009

Between 1.30 pm and 4 pm

Afternoon tea provided. All welcome.

**This is an opportunity to find out about the FUN,
FELLOWSHIP and COMMUNITY SERVICE
that occurs in your local Rotary Club.**

Changes to Youth Allowance eligibility

Critical Dates

- As of 1 July, 2009, Centrelink has implemented changes to the eligibility requirements for receiving Youth Allowance, which will affect most people who do not have a Year 12 or Certificate II qualification.
- These changes are the result of an agreement between the Commonwealth and State and Territory Governments to strengthen participation requirements for young people, as part of the National Partnership on Youth Attainment and Transitions.
- Students considering leaving school before completing Year 12 should be aware that these changes may affect their entitlements.
- The new requirements mean that most new applicants for Youth Allowance who do not have a Year 12 or Certificate II qualification will be required to be in study or training at least 25 hours per week to be eligible to receive Youth Allowance.
- Those people in part time study or training (totalling less than 25 hours per week) will have to undertake extra activities, such as part time work, volunteer work, or youth programs, to receive Youth Allowance.

Critical Dates

- As of **1 July 2009**, new applicants for Youth Allowance who do not have a Year 12 or Certificate II qualification will be required to be working or studying at least 25 hours per week to be eligible to receive Youth Allowance.
- For those people already receiving Youth Allowance before 1 July 2009, the changes outlined above will not apply until **1 January 2010**.
- The Commonwealth Government is making these changes because people with a Year 12 or equivalent qualification are more likely to go on to further education, less likely to be unemployed and more likely to get jobs with higher earnings, which can provide better opportunities for them and their family.

Youth Recognition Awards

The City of Ballarat Youth Recognition Awards are back in 2009! The Awards were created by the Youth Council in 2005 to acknowledge local young people who do amazing things within the community!

In 2008 the Awards grew & are back this year with **one more new category!**

The Awards ceremony will be held in November and **NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN NOW!**

To nominate an amazing young person between 12 - 25 years you know in any of the following categories:

- Art Award (Music) Proudly supported by FReeZA
- Art Award (Visual & Design) Proudly supported by FReeZA
- Challenge and Change Award Proudly supported by BGT Youth Services
- City of Ballarat Award (12-17 years) Proudly supported by City of Ballarat
- City of Ballarat Award (18-25 years) Proudly supported by City of Ballarat
- Eco Warrior Award Proudly supported by Department of Sustainability & Environment
- Special Achiever Award Proudly supported by Ballarat YMCA Inc
- Mentors Award (An award for people older than 25) Proudly supported by the Grampians Regional Mentoring Network
- Young Carer Award Proudly supported by Centacare
- Young Entrepreneur Award Proudly supported by BEST Community Development
- Youth Support Worker Award (An award for people older than 25) Proudly supported by Karen Overington & Geoff Howard - Members for Ballarat
- Young Volunteer Award Proudly supported by the Rotary Club of Ballarat Young Ambition
- Group Project Award Proudly supported by the Highlands Local Learning & Employment Network
- Leadership Award Proudly supported by the Central Highlands Sports Assembly

Nomination forms are available from YHQ - 122 Armstrong Street South, on the City of Ballarat website www.ballarat.vic.gov.au,

NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

WANTED

Old Car Batteries

A Rotary Club of Beaufort

Community Service Project

Phone Chris Johnston 5349 3066 or Harold Beer 5349 2168 to arrange collection of your old battery.



Heart, Lungs, Liver and Bones.....

This semester, the Year 8 HHR classes have been studying how the body works and the different systems within our bodies.

Over the past two weeks the students have been looking at what makes up our bones, heart, liver and lungs, with the help and support of the Rohan Quinton from Beaufort Butchery.

Rohan somehow convinced his suppliers to provide a complete set of sheep lungs, heart and liver all joined together to show how these systems worked and related to our own bodies.

For many students this was their first opportunity to see, in detail, how these organs operated.

Bridget, the school nurse, has been joining the classes to share her practical experience and knowledge and answer lots of questions on how our body works.

Over the next few weeks the students will undertake further research and produce a poster of their nominated body system.



Above: Broderick, Tim and Ben examine the body organs.

MATHS PUZZLE

Last Week's Answer: 6

Solution: If each boy in the family has at least 2 brothers, then the smallest number of boys is 3. Similarly, if each girl in the family has at least 2 sisters, then the smallest number of girls is 3. Thus, the smallest number of children the family might have is 6.

This Week's Puzzle: Family Ties

A number of children are standing in a circle. They are evenly spaced and the 4th child is directly opposite the 19th child. How many children are there altogether?

Answer Next Week

Mindshop Excellence Program

During the week, 10th to 14th August, six of our Year 10 students participated in the Mindshop Excellence Program.

Sarah and Glen, were the co-leaders and the rest of the consulting team were Martin, Ben, Paige and Matt. The problem they were set to solve was the communication breakdown between the community, the Shire and the Arts and Cultural groups within the Pyrenees. The Shire also wanted more community participation in arts and culture and more self sustainable art and cultural groups.

The first day was spent learning the various tools of the trade as taught by Chris and Julie, the founders of the program. The rest of the week was spent solving the problem they had been assigned.

At 12 noon on the Friday, the team presented a power point presentation of the results they had come up with to representatives of the Pyrenees Shire Council.

Following this, they were each presented with a certificate recognising their participation in the program. Their last stop was at the Town Hall in Ballarat where they presented a quick summary of their week. Here they received acclamation for their work and another certificate and a hat pin.

Overall, the students were all very proud of themselves and their achievement during the week.

Left: Our students received a certificate from the Mayor of the City of Ballarat, Judy Verlin (pictured left) at the completion of the Mindshop Excellence program. Also pictured is former BSC student and Pyrenees Shire representative, Curtis Hains who assisted the students throughout the week.



Above: Day 1 of the Mindshop Excellence program and our students work on their brief with the Pyrenees Shire's David Smith.



Above: The Mindshop team (L-R) Glen, Martin, Matt, Sarah, Ben and Paige present their results to the Shire.



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SEPTEMBER 2009

Wednesday 2	Safety Day - Years 7 to 10
Monday 7	Y7 Maths Camp-Melb - selected students
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Wednesday 9 to Friday 11	Outdoor Ed. Hike
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Saturday 3	Band play at Waubra Wind Farm Opening
Monday 5	First day - Term 4
Thursday 8	Year 10 Health Day, Ballarat
Monday 12	Western Zone Athletics - Geelong PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Tuesday 13	School Council Meeting
Wednesday 14	Year 7 Girls Immunisation

NOVEMBER 2009

Tuesday 3	School Council Melbourne Cup Day holiday
Monday 9 to Friday 13	Year 10 Urban Camp - Melbourne
Monday 9	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Tuesday 10	School Council Meeting
Monday 16 to Wed.18	Year 8 Camp

DECEMBER 2009

Monday 7 to Wednesday 9	Year 7 2010 - 3 Day Orientation Program
Tuesday 8	School Council Meeting
Tuesday 15	Presentation Evening
Friday 18	Final day - Term 4

