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Our Core Values are:

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

Funding will create educational hub from Kinder to Year 12

Member for Ripon Joe Helper, today visited Beaufort Secondary College to announce a \$4 million investment into Beaufort's school facilities and ensure a seamless transition for students throughout their schooling life.

Mr. Helper welcomed the community's decision to co-locate the Beaufort Pre-school, Beaufort Primary School and Beaufort Secondary College at the one site at the Beaufort Secondary College.

"In the long term, the benefits of this decision will be for all to see as education in Beaufort is re-generated and vital funding poured in for new buildings and new jobs created in the construction of these buildings," he said.

"It will create better education opportunities for students in Beaufort and that can only be a good thing.

"Obviously the decision was an easy one for the respective school councils to make, but I thank them for their vision of what a state-of-the-art Beaufort Education Centre will look like.

"This move will provide the opportunity to build joint curriculum programs, common approaches to teacher and student welfare and a sharing of resources.

"Beaufort has a long and proud of history of providing top-quality education with the Primary School's origins dating back to 1864, this move will ensure there is an even

brighter future ahead for Beaufort's students".

The Victorian Government has provided \$3 million funding for the schools' co-location, the Federal Government \$900,000 under its Building the Education Revolution program and the Pyrenees Shire Council has contributed \$100,000.

"This is a once-in-a-generation funding investment in the future of our schools," Mr Helper said.

In thanking the Minister for his visit and for making this important announcement, Principal, Steve Macaulay said that this funding for Stage 1 of this project which includes the Early Childhood Centre, the Primary School buildings and the Secondary College Administration facilities will be the beginning of a very exciting era for the Beaufort district school communities.

"I emphasise, however, that the kinder and schools will be separate entities, but working closely together to ensure a consistent approach to curriculum from kindergarten to Year 12," said Mr. Macaulay.



Above: Inspecting a site plan for the co-location of educational facilities in Beaufort are (L-R) Keryl Thomas, Assistant Regional Director Early Childhood Development, Lester Harris, Steve Macaulay, Principal, Beaufort Secondary College, Ashley McErvale, President, Beaufort Primary School Council, Jan Dunwoodie, Principal, Beaufort Primary School, Joe Helper, Member for Ripon, Peter Henry, Assistant Regional Director Operations, Robert Vance, Pyrenees Shire Council Mayor and Leesa O'Brien, Vice President, Beaufort Secondary College Council.

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Funding announcement to be aired on WIN TV

Along with Craig Wilson from our local paper, the Pyrenees Advocate, a reporter and cameraman from WIN TV attended the announcement of funding for the co-location of Beaufort schools and pre-school to the Beaufort Secondary College site.

WIN TV provides coverage of important news items from throughout our region and this significant step in the development of educational facilities in the Beaufort area is definitely a very important event for our local community and for the wider Pyrenees district.



Above: Pictured with Joe Helper, Member for Ripon are WIN TV reporter Alyssia Morison and cameraman Steve Munro following today's announcement.

Welcome Mr. Boyle

Beaufort Secondary College welcomes Mr. Boyle who is a student teacher from the Australian Catholic University in Ballarat. Mr. Boyle's main area of study is Japanese, so he will be working closely with Ms. Hyland and her classes while he is here. We hope he finds his stay with us very enjoyable.



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Parent Opinion Survey

The 2009 Parent Survey was mailed out on Monday, 24th August.

A computer generated random sample of parents was selected and those parents who receive the survey, are asked to complete the document and return it to the General office, or Mrs. Higgins, by Friday, 28th August, 2009.

The overall objective of this survey is to collect data about parent opinions from individual schools across the state and use the information to drive further improvements, both individually and collectively.

Thank you, in anticipation, for taking the time to complete the survey.

House Netball

Last Friday afternoon, all girls in Years 7 to 10 participated in house netball. It was a very close competition with all houses playing three matches. Thank you to our school nurse Bridget Franc and Year 11 student, Jacqui Swadling, for umpiring and to the other staff who helped with scoring and timekeeping.

Best players on the day were Shayley Grigsby, Sarah Bruty, Hayley Pfeifer, Heather Tweddle, Tarni Eastick, and Celeste Shaw.

Tanaranga was the winning house, winning all of its matches, closely followed by Taltarni. Wandarra, Taltarni and Kambara threw the same amount of goals for the day indicating the evenness in the competition.

Congratulations to the Tanaranga girls and to Shayley and Celeste for organising their team. Well done girls.



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SUKI KIRAI NASHI

SUKI KIRAI NASHI is a Japanese expression meaning “there are to be no likes or dislikes”. It is used to encourage children to eat well and devour what is put before them with out preference. However, it was hard to put this into practice when students were faced with a sampler dish of Japanese delicacies including “squid jerky”, seaweed, seaweed paste, pickled salted plum paste and hot horse radish (wasabi). Sounds dire doesn’t it? But congratulations to those students who sampled everything and survived to tell the tale.

Luckily, the main dish of YAKISOBA noodles proved extremely popular as did the dessert of ice-cream covered in sticky rice. But the favourites by far were the assortment of chocolates with names like “Pocky” and “Penguins on the March”, the assortment of chewy and fizzy lollies and the drink of the day, Calpis Soda. Students can easily make the YAKISOBA noodles at home, so put your feet up and let them do the cooking!



Yakisoba Recipe

Ingredients for one person

(omit the meat for a vegetarian dish)

Steamed *Yakisoba* noodles, or Singapore noodles 1 pack

Meat (pork or beef) cut into thin, small pieces 50g
 Cabbage, chopped coarsely 1/2 cup
 Carrot, thinly sliced 1/4 cup
 Onion, thinly sliced 1/3 cup
 Worcestershire sauce – add some tomato ketchup to sweeten (to taste). Water - 2 or 3 tablespoons

Oil the griddle or frying pan and fry the meat (fry pork until it turns white). Next, add the onion and carrot and fry until they soften slightly. Then add the cabbage and fry until soft. Pull the noodles apart to keep them from staying in a clump, and stir them into the mixture. When everything is nicely mixed together, pour 2 or 3 tablespoons of water over it and stir-fry a little longer.

Add the seasoning sauce (powder or liquid) that comes with the pack of noodles, or if there is no sauce, use Japanese Worcestershire sauce. If you are interested in finding out more about Japanese recipes go to <http://web-japan.org/kidsweb/>



The Japanese cooking session held last week proved very enjoyable and gave our Year 7 & 8 students the opportunity to create and sample a range of different foods. Thanks to Ms. Hyland and her helpers for organising this special treat for the students.

Safety Day - September 2nd

On Wednesday, September 2nd, representatives from the Fire Brigade, Ambulance, Police and VicRoads will be coming to the school to work with our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students.

The topics covered will be fire awareness, road safety, responsible behaviour when using machinery, bikes and other vehicles.

All students have received an individual permission form which needs to be returned to the school.

The Smoke Machine permission form allows students to participate in the CFA activity which uses a smoke machine and must be returned to the school with either a Yes or No response.

Thank you to the emergency services who have organised this informative and educational day.

If you have any concerns, please contact Assistant Principal, Mrs. Higgins.

English Puzzle 39

Answer to last weeks puzzle:

ABSTRACT

This weeks puzzle: **Playing the X.**

Rearrange the letters in the words below to make three seven-letter words when an 'X' is added.

T ₁	I ₁	N ₁	D ₂	E ₁	R ₁	_____
R ₁	E ₁	M ₃	E ₁	E ₁	T ₁	_____
C ₃	I ₁	N ₁	E ₁	O ₁	L ₁	_____

MATHS PUZZLE

Last Week's Answer: 30

Solution:

The 4th child is directly opposite the 19th child. Since $19 - 4 = 15$, there are 15 children in half the circle. (Note that half the circle includes one child out of the 4th child and the 19th child.)

Thus, there are 30 children altogether in the full circle.

This Week's Puzzle: Chequered Square

If you were to construct a 8 x 8 checkered square (i.e., a 8 x 8 chess board), how many squares would there be in total?

Answer Next Week

VCAL Work Related Skills – OH&S lesson

All students studying for their VCAL certificate are required to take part in a work placement program in their industry of interest.

These students encounter and problem solve a great range of Occupational, Health & Safety issues and learn and implement an extensive list of OH&S processes in their work environments. It is a great challenge for any young employee to be able to communicate and train others in OH&S practice.

This is exactly what the VCAL Work Related Skills students did on Monday, 23rd August. As part of their assessment, students were required to develop their own short lesson plan and deliver their chosen OH&S training to small groups of Year 10 students who have returned from work experience in recent weeks.

The Year 10 students were given training in the areas of personal protective equipment, spotting and preventing hazards and correct procedures for dealing with blood spills, amongst other important OH&S information.

All VCAL students delivered quality lessons which were interactive, fun and informative.



Photos: VCAL students instruct the Year 10s in OH&S practices.

Rotary Club of Beaufort

Invites you to attend

An informal, no obligation

Information Afternoon

At the Beaufort Community

Development Centre

(opposite 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.

SRC Cup Cake Day

On August 19th, the SRC held a Cup Cake Day and BBQ lunch.

The cupcakes were baked and decorated by the SRC students and sold at recess for \$2.00, to raise money for the RSPCA.

A big thank you to Lisa Biggin who donated cupcakes and helped out all day, and to the Morcombe family and the Lilley family for also donating cup cakes to sell. The BBQ went down well at lunchtime with money raised going to the Dean/Cartledge family.

A big thank you to Aaron James and Josh Rowe for organising and running the Lolly Guess to also help raise money for the RSPCA.

Well done to the SRC on a great day and thank you to students and staff for your support.

Over \$380.00 was raised for both causes.

Great effort!

Miss. Doherty

SRC Co-Ordinator



*Photos from the
BBQ & Cup Cake Day*



Year 9 Rubicon Camp 2009

On Monday, August 27th, a group of excited Beaufort and Stawell lads and lasses headed off for a week of fun in the snow.

Everyone was shy and nervous at the start, because students from the two schools did not know each other, but that soon changed.

We drove and we drove until we reached Yea for lunch, YAY! Rubicon was the next location to stop at.

Rooms were allocated, and groups were arranged. Stawell and Beaufort students had to work together as one.

Groups A (amazing) and B (best) skipped off merrily to the store shed to gather our skiing gear and equipment for our first experience on the frosty snow whilst groups C and D did bonding activities so they could work as a team for the high ropes and rock wall challenge they had the next day.

Skiing was challenging but good fun, even though we lost Mrs. Atkinson because she couldn't keep up with the whizzes on skis. Many of us spent half the day on our bottoms but by the end of the day we were pros! (We won't mention the soaking clothes and bruised bodies).

Over the next few days, it was our turn to do mountain bike riding, high ropes, the rock wall climb, and rogaining.

Muddy backs, sore backsides, and sore legs were all the bike ride experience gave us. High ropes and Rock wall climbing resulted in lots of falls and squeals and a jolly old laugh. Lots of abusive words came from the mouths of a few terrified students confronted by being so far off the ground. Rogaining (orienteering) was in a paddock bigger than Beaufort. We were thrown in there and had to find Milo cans with hole punches to be able to win the game. Some cheated using earrings, while others got bored and used their maps as Frisbees and had to dive into a prickly bush to retrieve it.

Night times, before bed, were spent getting to know each other through group activities. The theme for the week was TeamWork.

The journey home was much noisier than the trip there. Friendships had been formed and the group made the most of the last few hours we had left with each other.

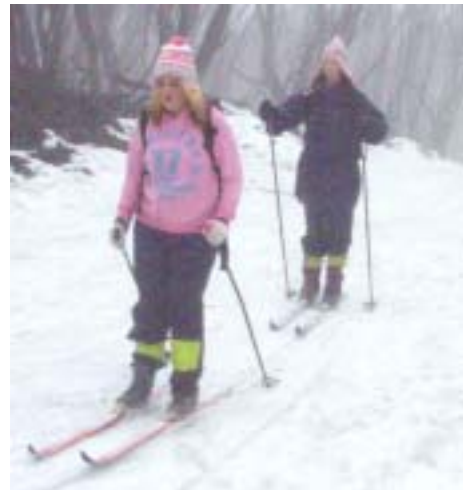
We arrived back at school at midnight on Friday night to be greeted by our loving parents.

By Celeste and Tori.





Hiking, cycling, skiing and fun - Rubicon Camp had it all.



Year 7 Basketball

On Tuesday, August 25th, the Year 7 girls went to Daylesford to compete in the BSSSA Basketball.

The first game was a good game. Paige shot two goals, so did Ella but unfortunately, we still lost.

In the second game they played all the girls improved a lot from the first game. Paige shot two goals and Ella shot one. The third game they played was a tough game. Ella shot one goal.

By the end of the day, all the girls had improved.

Thank you to Adam Avery and Mitchell Baetz for coaching the girls.



Above: Coach Mitchell looks on from the sideline as his team take to the court.

Below: Coach Adam (right) with the Year 7 team (L-R) Shannen, Ashlee, Paige, Ella and Tayla.



IMPORTANT DATES

Please check each Newsletter for additions/deletions or changes.

SEPTEMBER 2009	
Wednesday 2	Safety Day - Years 7 to 10
Monday 7	Y7 Maths Camp-Melb - selected students
Tuesday 8	Year 9 Port Campbell Coastal Systems exc. School Council Meeting
Wednesday 9 to Friday 11	Outdoor Ed. Hike
Monday 14	SCOPE Melbourne Exc. VCAL & Advance Y7 Ext. Group-Rotary Public Speaking PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Thursday 17	Year 9 Health Day (note change of date)
Friday 18	Final day - Term 3
OCTOBER 2009	
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

Year 12 Students

Our Year 12 students are currently very busy leading up to the end of Term 3, with only a few weeks of school life ahead of them. It is vital that they are able to stay focussed on their studies as well as completing other necessary tasks before they leave our school for the big wide world. It is important that parents are aware of the many upcoming events and responsibilities that the Year 12 students will be involved with.

Some of these include:

Open Days – students have already started attending these very important days. This Sunday, 30th August is the University of Ballarat Open day as well as the Australian Catholic University Open Day in Ballarat. Any student thinking of applying for a university course should attend these days.

VTAC Applications – students who are applying for a university or TAFE course will be completing their online applications before the end of Term 3. They should all have access to a VTAC guide which helps them with their choices. Mr. Crouch has been counselling students in regards to their choices. More information about this process can be found at www.vtac.edu.au

Exit Folders – students have been given information that will help them compile material needed to complete their exit folders. This information needs to be returned to the school by the end of Term 3. The Parents and Friends Association are once again sponsoring the cost for the exit folders which are a valuable resource for job applications. They will be presented to our students on Presentation Night.

Swot Vac – Year 12 students will have classes up until the end of Week 3 in Term 4 (Friday 23rd October). The following 4 days (Monday 26th – Thursday 29th October) will be their Swot Vac period when they will be studying for their upcoming exams.

Exams – The first exam will be English for all Year 12 students on Friday 30th October. Students will be given an exam timetable outlining the dates and times for the rest of their exams. For any further information regarding exams go to www.vcaa.vic.edu.au

Year 12 Dinner – this will be organised by the students for sometime after the exams (usually the middle to late November). It is usually held at the Golf Club and is a great night for students, parents and staff.

Presentation Night – the final school function for Year 12's. Students will receive their exit folders and other important awards.

Any Year 12 parent who has any questions or concerns about any of the above should contact Mr. Crouch.

Notes from the Music Room

The Music department has been very active of late, participating in a playout at the Beaufort Day Care Centre on Thursday afternoon, 6th August, entertaining the elderly citizens that attend on a weekly basis.

A varied programme was provided including solos from Annie Diprose (flute), Tegan Fanning (voice), Shae Walsh (clarinet), Hannah Thorpe (clarinet), Heather Tweddle (trumpet) and Claire Russell on two different instruments (clarinet and piano).

There were also very successful duet performances from Hannah Thorpe and Chrys Morrison on their clarinets and Ben Lilley and Caine Hocking teamed to present 'Pirates of the Caribbean' and 'Also Sprach Zarathustra' (maybe better known as the theme from Stanley Kubrick's 1968 film, '2001: A Space Odyssey') played on tuned timpani (kettle drums). This was very impressive, both with the sounds produced and the choreography with the sticks.

An overall strong performance was given by the school band in four items with 'School Spirit March' being ably conducted by Hannah Thorpe. The Rock Ensemble also entertained the audience with their renditions of 'Hey Jude' and 'Summer of 69' whilst the Choir sang four songs that highlighted their capabilities with harmony and a capella (unaccompanied) singing.

The students involved were: **Year 8** Caine Hocking, Ben Lilley, Annie Diprose, Claire Russell, Heather Tweddle, Shae Walsh, Aaron James.

Year 9 Chrys Morrison, Hannah Thorpe.

Year 10 Sam Eastick, Tegan Fanning, Martin Goode, Dylan Jenkins, and they are all to be congratulated on their fine efforts.

In the following week, on Friday, 14th August, our students were fortunate enough to have another visiting School Band come to entertain us.

Ballarat Grammar brought their Intermediate Concert and Stage Bands to the Drama Centre for a fifty minute performance of their selected repertoire. This was well received and allowed students to see a wide range of instruments. Some of our percussionists were lucky enough to be able to join them in part of this performance.

Mrs J McKelvey

Co-ordinator of the Arts & Technology



*Photos
Our musicians during
their playout at the
Beaufort Day Care
Centre and with the
Ballarat Grammar
School band.*



The Great Debate – Year 12's V Beaufort Rotary Club

The annual debate between the Beaufort Secondary College senior students and members of the Rotary Club of Beaufort was held on Monday evening, August 17th, in the school library.

The debate was preceded by the weekly dinner meeting of the Rotary Club. The dinner was wonderfully prepared by six students from the Year 7 Food Technology class under the expert guidance of Assistant Principal, Mrs. Higgins. All present commented on the fantastic presentation of both the meal and the students.

The topic for the debate, chosen by the Rotarians, was "That the by-pass will be good for Beaufort." The students presented the negative argument and were able to articulate their points very clearly and professionally. However, the Rotarians, arguing in favour of the by-pass, used their vast experience in the skills of debating to clinch a very close victory. As a result, the Rotary Club retains the coveted "Great Debate" trophy.

President Chris Johnson, on behalf of the Rotary Club, expressed their appreciation for the hospitality of the Secondary College for hosting the event and also the students for being very worthy opponents and for challenging themselves in the area of debating. Mr. Macaulay thanked all participants for the high standard of debating and the Rotary Club for their support of the school in so very many ways. Thank you to all students, staff and parents who supported this most successful event.



Above: The Year 7 catering team (L-R) Peta, Kira, Ella, Hannah, Jake and Tatiana.

Below: The Year 7's introduced themselves and presented the menu to the dinner guests.



Above: Rotarians and guests enjoy the hospitality of the Beaufort Secondary College for their weekly dinner meeting.

Left: The debating teams (L-R) - back row, VCE students, Mel, Jacqui, Liam and Shayne. Front row, Rotarians Heather Sandlant, Douglas Ball, Pauline Ball and Harry Fleay.



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 batteries.

