



"Work Conquers All"

BEAUFORT SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWSLETTER 2009

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Our Core Values are:

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

Lions Youth of the Year Regional Final

Our School Captain, Kayde Foster, competed in the Regional finals of the Lions Youth of the Year contest in Skipton last Friday night.

After his win the previous week, Kayde was now up against 7 students from various Western District schools. The standard of competition was very high and Kayde spoke confidently during his speech.

The judges deliberated long and hard before announcing the winner. Kayde didn't win but it was an extremely close decision. He came a very honourable second. The experience of the whole process is of great benefit for our students and we look forward to their involvement once again next year.



Above: Kayde Foster with Skipton Lions Club Youth of the Year Co-ordinator, Vern Dawson and Region Chairman, Max Begely.

ANZAC Day

Our Year 7 students will again be asked if they would like to be part of the ANZAC Day Service for Victorian Schools in Melbourne on Thursday, 23rd April.

This is an optional activity and seats are limited.

More details will be sent home to year 7 students shortly.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Higgins at the school.

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School Photos

School photos were taken on Tuesday and our students were all neatly presented in full school uniform. Thank you to students and parents for the extra effort that was made on the day.

School photos should be back in the school in the next couple of weeks. These will be sent home with students.



Right: School Captains Kayde Foster and Kylie Bruty have their official photos taken.



Above: Members of the Student Representative Council with their co-ordinator, Miss Doherty, centre front, ready for their official photo.

SRC members are:

President - Jesse Fountain

Vice President - Laura Briody

Secretary, Jacqui Swadling

Treasurer - Corey Flenley

Year 12 - Shannyn Reid, Year 10 - Dylan Jenkins, Martin Goode, Matt Rowe, Tegan Fanning. Year 9 -

Michael Zentay-Brown, Blair Cameron, Aleana Newall, Daniel Lambert. Year 8 - Nadia Hedges, Helena Metzke, Hannah O'Brien, Andrew Mahony.

Year 7 - Hannah Bruty, Jake Morcombe.



From the Principal's Desk

I have great pleasure in announcing the composition of our 2009-2010 School Council:

Parent Representatives (7) are Gerard Briody, Jill Upton, Rod Upton, Debbie McIntyre, Leesa O'Brien, Darren Chester and Rob Mahony.

Staff Representatives (4) are James Jeffreys, Carolyn Atkinson, Heather Higgins and Lynne Dickman.

The Principal is ex officio Executive Officer and Secretary.

Our first meeting, a special one, on Tuesday 31st March, will be to elect office bearers and confirm community representatives.

My thanks to all of these people for agreeing to be part of this important body in the school.

As I indicated in a previous newsletter, Mr Joe Helper, MLA, our local member, will officially open our new student centre and refurbished gym/drama centre at 11.00 am on Friday 27th March. Parents are welcome to attend. Please contact the school and a seat will be reserved for you.

Congratulations to our 2009 entrants in the Lions Youth of the Year Quest – Kayde Foster and Jessie Fountain. Both performed extremely well in the Skipton club event, with Kayde being successful and advancing to the district final. Well done to both of these boys.

Because of recent incidents occurring in Victorian and interstate schools and reported in the media, a recent Department of Education and Early Childhood Development communication instructed us to formulate a school Visitors Policy. School Council, at its 10th March meeting ratified the policy that is attached to this newsletter (See Page 4). Please read and familiarise yourself with it.

Steve Macaulay
(Principal)

Vale Suzanne

Our thoughts are with Natasha, Sammy and Tatiana Briody who lost their mother this week.

The whole school community sends its condolences to the girls, their dad Luke, and their extended family.

English Puzzle 20

Answer to last weeks puzzle: ELAND

This weeks puzzle:

Five-Letter Shuffle



The word above has three useful anagrams. Can you find all of them?



Trivia Night

Organised by Charlotte Lindahl, the Rotary Youth Exchange Student, to raise funds for the Rotary Shelter Box Program.

WHO: Everyone is invited, young and old. Organise tables of 10 or come along and join a table.

WHAT: It's a chance to test your knowledge of current and not so current topics.

WHEN: Friday March 20, arrive at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

WHERE: The new Student Centre at Beaufort Secondary College

HOW MUCH: \$10 for adults, \$5 for students. BYO drinks, glasses and nibbles.

PAY ON THE NIGHT

Ticket includes entry into lucky door prize and complimentary light supper

HOW DO I BOOK: Contact Charlotte at school or on 5349 2977, leave your name, phone number and the number of people attending. Bookings by Wednesday, 18th March.

Great Prizes, Great Fun, Great Cause!

What is a Shelter Box: A Shelter Box has all the necessary items for families to survive following natural catastrophes - accommodation for an extended family of 10 or more, plus everything, including the kitchen sink. Over 120 Shelter Boxes have been deployed by Rotary in the last two weeks to assist bushfire victims in Victoria.



Mobile Phones - Reminder

Parents are again reminded that students are not to have mobile phones at school.

If it is considered necessary for students to have phones for after school contact, they **must** hand their phone in to the General Office at the start of the day. They can collect the phone on their way home.

If they do not hand the phone in and are caught with it, the phone will be confiscated and parents will have to come to the school to collect the phone.

Tennis Coaching

Beaufort Tennis Club is running a coaching clinic this Saturday at 10am.

We invite all players of all levels to come along and hone their skills or discover new ones.

WHERE: Beaufort Tennis Courts

WHEN: Saturday 14th March

TIME: 10am till 12pm

COST: FREE

To register your interest ring Simone on 53440529 or 0409312335

Please Note: Thursday night coaching will not go ahead this Thursday 12th March. Hope to see you all at the clinic on Saturday 14th. Any queries please ring Simone on 53440529

Beaufort Football Club Junior Football Training

Under 14 and Under 17

Thursday at 5.00pm at the Football Oval

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.



FRIDGE POCKETS \$4.00 each

A handy magnetic A4 plastic pocket to hang on your fridge door for notices and reminders.

Available from the General Office - NOW

School Uniform

It was decided at the recent School Council meeting to enforce the Uniform Policy and only allow the official 'navy blue' coats to be worn over school uniform.

Therefore, coloured windcheaters, brand named tops, fur lined hooded jackets and other coloured tops and jackets are not to be worn to school.

Messer & Opie in Ballarat supply these coats and they can be purchased with or without the school logo.

If you need clarification on this, please contact Mrs.Higgins at the school.

Youth Worker

Beaufort Secondary College is again fortunate to have the services of Kevin Griffiths from Grampians Health and Clare Goodson from CentreCare, who come to our school and work with our students.

Students may see these youth workers as part of a whole class, in a small group or individually.

If you do not want your child to be involved, please contact Mrs. Higgins at the school.

MATHS PUZZLE

Answer to last week's puzzle.

Last Week's Answer:

Total effort required by 4 painters for 39 days = $4 \times 39 = 156$ man-days.

Initial effort by 4 painters for 9 days = $4 \times 9 = 36$ man-days.

Job still requires $156 - 36 = 120$ man-days, and there are 20 painters available to do it.

Additional effort required by 20 painters for 120 man-days = $120 / 20 = 6$ days.

Thus, 6 more days are required to complete the painting job.

This Week's Puzzle: Painting Job

Teacher: You appeared for quizzes in 10 subjects, and your average marks in them were 81.

Student: How did I fare in English?

Teacher: Well, your average in English Language and English Literature is 45.

Student: So, how was my performance in the remaining subjects?

Teacher: I am sure you can figure that out for yourself. Can you help the student find his average marks in the remaining subjects?

Answer Next Week



BEAUFORT SECONDARY COLLEGE

VISITORS POLICY

Rationale:

- We seek to provide an open and friendly learning environment, which values and actively encourages visitors to our school. At the same time we recognise our duty of care to ensure a safe environment for our students and staff, and we recognise our responsibility to protect and preserve our resources against theft, vandalism and misuse.

Aims:

- To provide a safe and secure environment for our students, staff and resources.
- To establish protocols and procedures that effectively monitor and manage visitors, whilst not compromising the open and inviting nature of our school.

Implementation:

- Whilst we actively encourage an inviting and open school, the safety of our students, staff and resources remain our highest priorities.
- Visitors are defined as all people other than staff members, students, and parents/guardians involved in the task of delivering or collecting children at the start or end of the school day.
- All visitors will be required to report to the General Office prior to undertaking any activity within the school, where they will be required to sign a "Visitors" book and will be provided with a pass which must be produced upon request. Similarly, visitors will be required to report to the General Office at the end of their visit to "sign out".
- Comfortable and non-intimidating waiting and interviewing spaces are available.
- Visitors will be provided with directions, and will be made aware of any construction works etc that may impact upon their safety or comfort.
- The above mentioned process for managing and monitoring visitors will be regularly published in the school newsletter, and will appear at all school entrances.
- Visitors within the school who have failed to follow this process will be reminded to do so.
- Under the Summary Offences Act 1966 and subsequent amendments, the principal reserves the right, and has the authority to prohibit any potential visitor from entering or remaining within the school, and also has the authority to invite or exclude people from using or being within the school boundaries outside school operating hours.
- The school's emergency management procedures will ensure that visitors within the school at the time of any emergency or practice drill will be recognised and be appropriately catered for.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle, and at times when our emergency management procedures are under review.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

March 2009

BEAUFORT SECONDARY COLLEGE COUNCIL

10 March 2008 Meeting Report

Council ratified the following:

1. 2009 Annual Implementation Plan
2. 2009 Investment Policy
3. School Bus Emergency Plan (from February Meeting)
4. Venita Dridan to be BSC representative on the Beaufort Schools Plantations Committee
5. Principal's response to the latest draft of the Joint Use Agreement in relation to the Beaufort Community Bank Complex, boatshed and Gym/Drama/Student Centre
6. BSC Visitors Policy

The following decisions were also made:

1. That the pool table in the staff room be disposed of – initially advertised in the newsletter
2. That a letter of thanks go to the newsagent for providing students with copies of the "Age"
3. That the next meeting of council be a special meeting at Tuesday, 31st March at 7.00 pm to carry out constitutional requirements for the new council (election of office bearers, ratification of community members)

4. That a letter be sent to the Pyrenees Shire expressing the school council's view that Mt Cole should remain available for school activities including camps.
5. That council expresses its appreciation at the work of two retiring councilors – Brian McKinley and Debbie Rosenthal

Sub-Committee reports:

1. Curriculum (per CA) – incl. Canteen Report
2. Finance and Admin (per Gerard Briody) – incl. the Gym/Drama/Student Centre Opening
3. Facilities/OHS (per Heather Higgins – incl. additions to our gym/drama/student centre defects list

Discussions also occurred on the following matters, some requiring action:

1. The auditors' "Management Letter" – Steve and Lynne to work through the issues (all minor)
2. School Uniform implementation
3. School bus issues
4. The property at 35 Park Road (future site of school driveway)

Steve Macaulay,
Secretary, BSC Council

COMMUNITY SEWING COMPETITION

- WALL HANGING - THEME: 'LIFE IN THE PYRENEES'

Create a 1m x 1m wall hanging of materials (fabric) depicting some aspect of "Life in the Pyrenees Shire"

-Be Innovative

-Reflect the spirit of the Pyrenees

-Must be created on a domestic sewing machine!

Age Groups

- 19 and over -

- 18 and under -

1st Prizes: Toyota Sewing Machines!!
Model DE325 Decomaster
Retail Value of \$449.00 each

2nd Prizes: Sewing Kits

*Proudly sponsored by Aisin Australia
(suppliers of Toyota Sewing Machines)*

- Pyrenees Advocate

- Beaufort Community House &

Learning Centre

Entries Close: 27 April

Entries must be accompanied by 3 Pyrenees Advocate Mastheads.

All entries must be designed and created by the entrant

Entries will be displayed in the Beaufort Resource Centre.

Winners acknowledged and prizes awarded at Community Night on 15 May

All entries & enquires to Beaufort Community House on 5349 1184

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Wednesday 25	Western Zone Swimming
Monday 30	House Athletics - Llanberris
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Thursday 2	Parent Teacher Interviews
Friday 3	Final day - Term 1
Sunday 12	Easter Sunday
Monday 20	First Day - Term 2 PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Friday 24	Mid Western Complex Athletics
Wednesday 29	BSSSA Athletics
MAY 2009	
Monday 4	Year 10 Driver Education - Charlton
Wednesday 6	Year 7 2010 - Parent Information Night
Thursday 7	Western Zone Athletics (Geelong)
Monday 11	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Tuesday 12	Year 9 - Smart Assk Program - Ballarat NAPLAN Tests Years 7 & 9 School Council Meeting
Wednesday 13	BSSSA Senior Sport NAPLAN Tests Years 7 & 9
Thursday 14	NAPLAN Tests Years 7 & 9
Friday 15	House Cross Country
Wednesday 20	BSSSA Intermediate Sports
Tuesday 26	Mid Western Cross Country
Wednesday 27	Year 7 Girls Immunisation
JUNE 2009	
Monday 1	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Monday 8	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 9	School Council Meeting
Wednesday 10	Mid Western Complex Junior Sports
Wednesday 17 to Friday 19	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp
Wednesday 24	Western Zone Cross Country
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AUGUST 2009	
Wednesday 5	BSSSA Intermediate Sports
Thursday 6	Australian Mathematics Competition
Monday 10	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Tuesday 11	School Council Meeting
Thursday 13	BSSSA Year 8 Sport
Tuesday 25	BSSSA Year 7 Sport
SEPTEMBER 2009	
Tuesday 8	School Council Meeting
Monday 14	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Friday 18	Final day - Term 3
OCTOBER 2009	
Monday 5	First day - Term 4
Monday 12	Western Zone Athletics - Geelong
Wednesday 14	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
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	
Tuesday 8	School Council Meeting
Friday 18	Final day - Term 4

Exercise Induced Asthma

Exercise Induced Asthma (EIA) can cause the individual to wheeze, cough, feel tight in the chest or become short of breath

How to prevent EIA

- Take 2-4 separate puffs of blue reliever medication (through a spacer) 5-10 minutes before warming-up.
- Warm-up before any sport or exercise
- Cool-down following sport or exercise

If a student experiences asthma symptoms during exercise they should:

- Stop exercising immediately
- Take 2-4 separate puffs of blue reliever medication (through a spacer)
- Only resume activity if free from symptoms and breathing easy

If symptoms do not go away immediately or return when exercising is resumed:

- Use blue reliever puffer as before
- Cease exercise for the rest of the day



Beaufort Secondary College is an Asthma Friendly School

