



"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.

Presentation Ball preparations well under way

The students involved in the Presentation Ball have been hard at work practicing their dance steps in preparation for the Ball, which will be held on Friday, 26th June, 2009

The Ball is a major fundraising event for the Parents and Friends Association, who are looking for the support of the entire school community to ensure the success of this very special occasion for our students. School families are being asked to provide food for the supper, or a cash donation to offset the costs associated with purchasing sandwich fillings etc.

Helpers are also required to set up the hall and to clean up after the event. If you can help, please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return it to the General Office.

The Presentation Ball is a great opportunity for our senior students to learn some of the social graces including learning to dance, deportment and social etiquette. They

are all looking forward to their special night, with the girls looking spectacular in their beautiful gowns and the boys dashing handsome in their formal attire.



Above & below: The debutants and their partners practice the dance steps in preparation for the Ball.



Left: Dance instructors, Betty Sexton and Norman Banks, teaching the flower girls and page boys the Pride of Erin.

Year 7 Camp

Our Year 7 camp will be held from Wednesday 17th June until Friday, 19th June.

All information has been given to the students and all forms and payment should have been returned to the school.

It looks like being cold and wet in the Grampians, so students are encouraged to pack plenty of warm clothes including extra socks, hats, gloves and a coat.

If there are any concerns, please contact Mr. Ramage or Mrs. Higgins.

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Report Writing Day

Tomorrow, Friday, 12th June, 2009

This is the official report writing day therefore students will not be required at school. School will resume on Monday, 15th June.

Reports will be distributed to students on Friday, 19th June along with Parent/Teacher Interview request forms.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, 25th June.

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Please phone or send a note if your child is absent from school - It's not OK to be Away.

From the Principal's Desk



Last week, I briefly mentioned the 1989 Year 12 reunion that had taken place the weekend before. 2009 also sees Beaufort Secondary College entering its 50th year. The intention of the School Council is to celebrate this important anniversary in early 2010. What we need is a small group of people (presumably former students) to form a working party to co-ordinate "Back to Beaufort" celebrations. The actual date of such celebrations is still up in the air a little as I am hopeful that a building program will be in full swing by later in the year.

I have been approached by an independent social research consultancy – "Social Compass" (www.socialcompass.com) to undertake an impact evaluation of the Victorian Schools Chaplaincy Program. The evaluation has been commissioned by Access Ministries and involves student and parent surveys.

As I have indicated on many occasions, I am a strong advocate of the School Chaplaincy and see it as a vital element of our approach to student welfare and well-being. I am, therefore, keen to participate. At this stage, I haven't decided how we will administer the survey – whether to attach a copy of it to the newsletter, call for volunteers or administer a random survey along the lines of the Parent Opinion Survey. However if you would like to participate, let me know and you are definitely in.

Steve Macaulay
(Principal)

Year 11 & 12 Exams

Our Year 11 and 12 students have started their mid year exam program.

They completed their internal exams last week and this week the external VCE 3/4 exams have been held.

All students who are studying a VCE 3/4 subject are required to sit the GAT (General Assessment Task) which will be undertaken today.

We wish our students well in these exams.



1989 Year 12 Reunion



*Attending the reunion were L-R:
Back row - David Oddie,
Anthony Tracey, Carman Fisher,
Wendy Carnes, Stuart Barrow,
Ray Mahony, Jeremy Finch,
Nick Franc, Terry Knight,
Aaron Cuthbertson and
Mark Baulch.*

*Front row - Melissa Leslie,
Andy Clark, Katie Hardiman,
Susan Lesley, Kelly Nugent,
Ros Hutchison, Bronwyn Carnes,
Adrian Dodson and Ashley Hains.*

English Puzzle 31

Answer to last weeks puzzle:
STUPOR, FLAYED, RATION.

This weeks puzzle: H & P

Form a common five-letter word from the letters below that uses both the H and P, leaving one vowel and one other consonant.



MATHS PUZZLE

Last Week's Answer: 39

Solution:

The merchant has 39 gold coins.

It is easy to check this... Let's divide the 39 coins into two unequal numbers, say, 30 and 9. Then, $39(30-9) = (30 \times 30) - (9 \times 9)$.

Food for thought:

Note that the 39 coins can be divided into any two unequal numbers, a and b, not necessarily 30 and 9, so long as $a + b = 39$. Isn't that interesting?

The above problem is solved in a straightforward manner if one knows the following formula:

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$$

This Week's Puzzle: The Snake In The Hole

A snake slides through a long cylindrical hole in the ground at 6 centimeters per second. The hole is 7.2 meters in length. The snake takes 15 seconds to enter the hole.

1. What is the length in centimeters of the snake ?
2. How many seconds does the snake take to exit the hole after entering it?

Answer Next Week

Yipee! It's FREE
FREE Tutoring
NIX! NIL! GRATIS
at Beaufort Community House

Each Tuesday afternoon from 4.00pm to 5.00pm
If anyone needs help with their homework or extra tuition in any subject, please take advantage of this opportunity.

It's FREE and NO booking required.

Call into the Beaufort Library for further information.



**Just a reminder
to students to
enter the
MS Readathon**

**See
Mrs. Macdonald
in the Library
for details.**

**Great prizes to
be won!**

Miss. Jo Franc

Last Friday was Miss Franc's last day working at Beaufort Secondary College this year.

Jo was employed by the Pyrenees Shire to work in our school for 12 weeks to assist our students and staff. The program is funded by the Commonwealth and the aim is to give Jo experience in the area she is studying at university, which is education. It is also to encourage students to work in country areas when they graduate. Jo will work in the school again next year for a similar time, to complete the second part of the program.

We thank her for her help while she was here and look forward to her return. We wish Jo well in her studies.

*Beaufort Primary School Parents & Friends Club
Presents*

Beaufort Comedy Gala Night

Laugh along with three top line comedians direct from the International Comedy Festival in Melbourne -
Johnny Kats, Matt Elsbury and Troy Kinne
Friday, 12th June, 2009 from 7.30pm

at the

Beaufort Community Bank Complex

Prepaid tickets \$20.00

or \$25.00 on the night

Supper provided

Drinks at bar prices.

Tickets available from:

Beaufort Primary School Office or

Beaufort Resource Centre

Phone 5349 7411 for enquiries

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JUNE 2009		JUNE 2009	
Thursday 11	GAT - Years 11 & 12 - Unit 3/4 subjects	Thursday 11	GAT - Years 11 & 12 - Unit 3/4 subjects
Friday 12	Report Writing Day - No students at school Beaufort Primary School comedy fundraiser	Friday 12	Report Writing Day - No students at school Beaufort Primary School comedy fundraiser
Monday 15 to Wed. 17	VCE Outdoor Studies Camp	Monday 15 to Wed. 17	VCE Outdoor Studies Camp
Tuesday 16	Y11 & 12 Legal Studies to Ballarat Court	Tuesday 16	Y11 & 12 Legal Studies to Ballarat Court
Wednesday 17 to Friday 19	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp	Wednesday 17 to Friday 19	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp
Wednesday 17	Year 12s to attend TIS at UB	Wednesday 17	Year 12s to attend TIS at UB
Friday 19	Reports Distributed	Friday 19	Reports Distributed
Monday 22	Parent/Teacher request forms due in	Monday 22	Parent/Teacher request forms due in
Tuesday 23	Year 7s visit to Gum San Museum, Ararat	Tuesday 23	Year 7s visit to Gum San Museum, Ararat
Wednesday 24	Western Zone Cross Country	Wednesday 24	Western Zone Cross Country
Thursday 25	Year 9/10 Art students-National Gallery visit	Thursday 25	Year 9/10 Art students-National Gallery visit
Thursday 25	Parent Teacher Interviews	Thursday 25	Parent Teacher Interviews
Friday 26	Final day - Term 2 BSC Presentation Ball	Friday 26	Final day - Term 2 BSC Presentation Ball
JULY 2009		JULY 2009	
Monday 13	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp	Monday 13	Year 7 Roses Gap Camp
Thursday 16	Year 12s to attend TIS at UB	Thursday 16	Year 12s to attend TIS at UB
Monday 20 to Friday 31	Reports Distributed	Monday 20 to Friday 31	Reports Distributed
Wednesday 22	Parent/Teacher request forms due in	Wednesday 22	Parent/Teacher request forms due in
Monday 27 to Friday 31	Year 7s visit to Gum San Museum, Ararat	Monday 27 to Friday 31	Year 7s visit to Gum San Museum, Ararat
AUGUST 2009		AUGUST 2009	
Wednesday 5	Year 9 Rubicon Camp	Wednesday 5	Year 9 Rubicon Camp
Thursday 6	BSSA Intermediate Sports	Thursday 6	BSSA Intermediate Sports
Monday 10	Australian Mathematics Competition	Monday 10	Australian Mathematics Competition
Tuesday 11	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm	Tuesday 11	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
Thursday 13	School Council Meeting	Thursday 13	School Council Meeting
Tuesday 25	BSSA Year 8 Sport	Tuesday 25	BSSA Year 8 Sport
SEPTEMBER 2009		SEPTEMBER 2009	
Tuesday 8	BSSA Year 7 Sport	Tuesday 8	BSSA Year 7 Sport
Monday 14	School Council Meeting	Monday 14	School Council Meeting
Friday 18	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm	Friday 18	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
OCTOBER 2009		OCTOBER 2009	
Monday 5	Final day - Term 3	Monday 5	Final day - Term 3
Monday 12	Year 7 - Term 4	Monday 12	Year 7 - Term 4
Tuesday 13	Western Zone Athletics - Geelong	Tuesday 13	Western Zone Athletics - Geelong
Wednesday 14	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm	Wednesday 14	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
NOVEMBER 2009		NOVEMBER 2009	
Tuesday 3	School Council Meeting	Tuesday 3	School Council Meeting
Monday 9 to Friday 13	Year 7 Girls Immunisation	Monday 9 to Friday 13	Year 7 Girls Immunisation
Monday 9	School Council Melbourne Cup Day holiday	Monday 9	School Council Melbourne Cup Day holiday
Tuesday 10	Year 10 Urban Camp - Melbourne	Tuesday 10	Year 10 Urban Camp - Melbourne
Monday 16 to Wed.18	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm	Monday 16 to Wed.18	PFA Meeting - 6.00pm
DECEMBER 2009		DECEMBER 2009	
Monday 7 to Wednesday 9	School Council Meeting	Monday 7 to Wednesday 9	School Council Meeting
Tuesday 8	Year 8 Camp	Tuesday 8	Year 8 Camp
Tuesday 15	Year 7 2010 - 3 Day Orientation Program	Tuesday 15	Year 7 2010 - 3 Day Orientation Program
Friday 18	School Council Meeting	Friday 18	School Council Meeting
Friday 18	Presentation Evening	Friday 18	Presentation Evening
Friday 18	Final day - Term 4	Friday 18	Final day - Term 4

Student Teachers

Our three current student teachers will complete their three week teaching round at Beaufort Secondary College tomorrow.

Mr. Malcolm has worked in the Health area, Miss Carter in Humanities and Miss. Bartlett in PE.

We thank them for the work they have done here and their willingness to participate in the activities such as the Dress-Up day.

We wish them well for the remainder of their studies.



Above: Student teacher, Mr. Malcolm, watches as Ben Uwland pours out drinks as part of a health lesson on what constitutes a standard drink size.

BEAUFORT GYM

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday: 6am – 10am 4pm – 8pm
Tuesday: 10am – 2pm
Wednesday: 6am – 10am 4pm - 8pm
Thursday: 10am – 2pm
Friday: 6am - 10am 4pm – 8pm

MEMBERSHIP FEES

One month: \$45.00 Three months: \$120.00
Three months \$150.00 (incl. Ararat gym & pool)
Casual Visit \$ 8.00

All memberships incur a joining fee of \$10 and include a fitness/health assessment

NEW GROUP RATES NOW AVAILABLE

Phone: 0439 399 894 or 5349 2323

TIS

(Tertiary Information Session)

This terrific information session will be held at the University of Ballarat next Wednesday, 17th June.

Our Year 12 students will travel to the uni with their Year 12 Co-ordinator, Mr. Crouch, to hear presentations from a number of universities on courses, accommodation, pathways etc.

Previous students have found the presentations to be very valuable and I am sure this year's group will also find the sessions worthwhile.

If you have any concerns, please contact Mr. Crouch or Mrs. Higgins.

Beaufort Secondary College
PRESENTATION BALL
Shire Hall, Beaufort

Friday
26th June, 2009
(Doors open at 7.00pm)

TICKETS for the Presentation Ball will be on sale at the school.
PRICE: \$15.00 adults.
\$10.00 for students.
Family tickets are \$40.00
(which includes 2 adults and 2 children)





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.



PFA PRESENTATION BALL

Friday, 26th June, 2009

The PFA and Ball Committee are now calling on *all* parents to assist with the preparations and conduct of the Ball. Please tick where you can help.

1. Finishing touches to hall and supper preparations on Friday, 26th June from 11.00am

2. Work in kitchen and serve supper at Ball

3. Assistance (lots of men please) to clean hall after Ball finishes

SUPPER

Could **EVERY SCHOOL FAMILY** please contribute towards supper.
Please indicate what you can supply.

2 Dozen pieces of slice

2 Half sponges

3 Dozen hot savouries

\$5.00 donation

NAME:

As this is the **MAJOR FUNDRAISING EFFORT** by the PFA this year, the support of every school family will be very much appreciated.

N.B. We require a few capable men to help put up curtains over existing stage curtains at the Shire Hall on the day of the Ball.

Please return this form to the General Office by Friday, 12th June, 2009

If you have any queries, please contact Meredith Biggin on 5349 2559 or Sally Crick on 5349 7488

Beaufort Secondary College PFA thanks you for your support.