Gold at World Skills

Year 11 student Zak Biggin won Gold at the World Skills Australia Competition in Perth. Zak competed in the VET in Schools Section in the Metals and Engineering Division.

Zac was not only representing the school but also was the Victorian representative for the event. The competition required Zak to make a candle lever tray metal tool box and a metal V block.

Zak had 6 hours per day over 3 days to complete the projects and competed against 9 other students.

The competition was all practical and was held in the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre with the audience of thousands viewing the event. The event had two judges and was judged by how well each part of the project was performed as well as a speed component. Zak gained an extremely high score receiving only 1 mark off a perfect score for his tool box.

Project officer at Highlands Llen, Mick Prato travelled to the event and said that ‘Zak grew through the competition and handled the pressure well.’

Zak has been offered an apprenticeship in fitting and turning and hopes to compete again next year in the Open Section (for apprentices and trainees) of the World Skills Australia Competition.

Above - Zak Biggin wears his Gold Medal won at the 2014 World Skills Australia national competition in Perth in September. Zak is in Year 11 and currently undertaking VET studies in Engineering.

Right - Zak during the competition in Perth
**From the Principal’s Desk**

Welcome back to everyone for the final Term of 2014 - it won’t be long and we’ll be talking about Christmas. We have a busy Term ahead of us to finish off the year but just in in the next month we have Parent-Teacher Interviews, Student Portfolio interviews for Year 7 students, BeauGala, the Year 10 Camp in Melbourne, State level athletics, the school play, and the Year 12 students finishing up their classes at school and then starting exams.

Parent-Teacher Interviews are on this Thursday October 8th. I encourage parents to take the opportunity to attend the interviews, so they can receive specific feedback about the progress of their child and gain insight into how to improve their future learning.

Our Parents and Friends Association are re-launching ‘BeauGala’ or a ‘Fete’ to raise funds for our school and also to provide connections with our local community. I really encourage everyone to come along on Friday evening to enjoy the fun, food and socializing. It will be great entertainment for everyone! We look forward to seeing you there.

Karl Schier  
Principal

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**Holiday Classes**

During the September holidays, many Year 12 teachers took the opportunity to run extra classes, workshops and practice exams. We thank teachers for organising these sessions and students and parents for making the most of this opportunity.

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**Choir**

The Beaufort Secondary College Choir enjoyed a day of learning new songs and practicing their arrangements during the holidays. We thank teachers Mrs McKelvey, Mrs Evans and Mrs Kehoe who worked with the group and also students and parents for supporting this program.

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**Coaching Basketball**

On 24th September, Cameron Gadsby, Bronte Christian, Cara Eastick, Tegan Avery and Caylem Keenan had the opportunity of coaching the Beaufort Primary School Grade 5 and 6 classes, competing in the Ballarat Basketball Tournament. There were three teams consisting of two boys teams and one girls team. The two boy teams competed in four games while the girls team competed in three. With two weeks of training, the boys and girls competed very well against other Ballarat schools. All five of us were very grateful to take part in this opportunity.

We would also like to thank Ms Feely for letting us coach the children on the day and take them for the training sessions.

Tegan Avery and Caylem Keenan

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**Welcome back**

We welcome back Mr Schier who returns following surgery. We also welcome back Mr Crouch, Mrs Fisher, Ms Dickman and Mrs Lovejoy who all return after taking leave. Some classes have been re-allocated to accommodate changes in staff allotments. There is also a new timetable for this term.

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**Year 11 Tasmania Camp**

The closing date for Expressions of Interest for the Year 11 Tasmania Camp is Friday 17th October. Please complete the form and return along with the deposit to the General Office. Any questions please contact Mrs Higgins.

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Engineering Australia Year 10 Awards

In 2014, the students who received the Engineering Australia Year 10 Awards are Rachel Kendall and Caylem Keenan. Rachel is a very active member of the Science and Mathematics Area. Her career goals are to study Veterinary Science at Melbourne University then to pursue a career as a Vet in a rural community. Recently Rachel was selected to represent Country Victoria at the John Monash Science School. She spent 3 weeks, living and studying with 500 Year 10 and 11 students who have a strong interest in Science. She is currently working with lecturers from Monash University on her research. Caylem is working part time at the Ballarat Airport as an aircraft mechanic. His career goals are to study Engineering at Sydney University then to pursue a career as a pilot in the Australian Defence Force. In Year 11, Caylem intends to undertake VET (Aviation) in addition to English, Mathematical Methods, Specialist Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry. The Awards were presented by Mike Caldwell from the Ballarat Engineers on Friday 19th September.

Pictured above are Rachel and Caylem being congratulated on their award by Beaufort Secondary College Mathematics Coordinator, Mr Walton.

Queens Guide Awards

Congratulations to Bianca Gerrard and Shae Ambry who attended Government House on Saturday to be presented with their Queens Guide Award from His Excellency, the Honourable Alex Chernov, Governor of Victoria. The girls are both members of the Beaufort Ranger Guides and have worked on their Queens Guide Award for the past 18 months. They were awarded their badges at a presentation in Beaufort last month.

Universities credit ATAR score for Queens Guide and Scout Awards

Following the presentations of the Queens Guide and Queen Scout Award at Government House it was announced that recipients of the both the Queens Guide Award and the Queens Scout Award will now have their achievements recognised by a number of Tertiary Institutions. After achieving the Queens Guide or Queens Scout Award and with endorsement from their organisation- Guides or Scouts Victoria and the girl’s school, recipients of the Queens Guide and Queens Scout Award can receive a significant reduction in the ATAR score required for many courses. The universities are recognising the skills and values gained through guide and scout programs. The Queens Guide Award is now recognised at ACU, Latrobe University, Victoria University and Federation University. The Queens Guide Award can count for up to 22 ATAR points on entry to these four universities. To register for the Queens Guide Award girls need to be over 14 years and be a member of a Girl Guides unit of their peer age.

For any further information, contact Angela on 5349 2905.

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ADVANCE Footy Colors Day

On Friday September the 26th the Year 9 and 10 Advance group conducted a Finals Footy Colours Day to finish up term 3 and cooked a BBQ, supplied by Mr Schier. The day was a fantastic success. Well done to all Advance students who worked to make the day possible, and thankyou to all members of the school community who supported the festivities!
BAM WOW Business

On Wednesday 17th September the Year 9/10 Business Management Class were split into three groups to run a small business project. The BAMM WOW Foods group, consisting of Mikayla, Monique, Aidan and Bianca held the first business. We sold chicken schnitzel burgers, fried rice, dim sims and a lunch pack. We made over $300.00 profit which went towards the Cancer Council. Thank you to all the customers that brought from our business and everyone who helped.

Monique Flenley and Mikayla Pesti

VCAL Apprentice

This term the Year 11 and 12 VCAL students have been working towards a board room style presentation. Students pitch an idea about how they could raise awareness or money for a charity or community issue. In teams, we chose our issue or charity and how we could help our chosen cause.

On the 17th September we had a board room meeting designed similar to the TV series of Celebrity Apprentice and Mrs Higgins, Mrs Evans and Mr Lindorff were our boss. Each term we had to present a Power Point presentation, offering also, visual aides and samples which included pamphlets and soup.

One team prevailed over the rest and even included pumpkin soup for everyone to try.

Tim Kavanagh

Beaufort Basketball

Beaufort Basketball will commence Next Monday 13th October

6.00pm Juniors
7.00pm Seniors

Contact Cameron 0458 141 237
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**IMPORTANT DATES**
Please check each Newsletter each week for additions/deletions or changes

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**Responsible Service of Alcohol**
The Beaufort Community House & Learning Centre will be running a RSA course in the Trafford Room of the Beaufort Community Resource Centre.

28th October from 10.30 - 2.30
The cost of the course is $90.00

Students 16 years and above can complete this course but cannot use it until they turn 18.

Any questions contact Mrs Higgins or Pauline on 5349 1184.

**Cake Stall Labels - Beaufort Secondary College Fete**
Anyone cooking for the Fete Cake Stall - Please attach a label to goods with your initials - Thanks

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