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Welcome back to all students and staff – I trust everyone enjoyed their break and now feel motivated to take on the second half of the year.

Parent/Teacher Interviews are on this Thursday July 16th. I really 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.

The second of our Presentation Balls was on the last Friday night of last term. It was another fantastic evening and the students who took part need to be congratulated for the way in which they presented themselves – they did a brilliant job! The atmosphere in the hall was fantastic with lots of students, friends and families there in support on the night – a credit to our local community. We also had many staff members present in various capacities and I would like to thank them for their commitment to our students. A special thank you to Penny Liston for her work as compere. Finally, a huge thank-you to our ‘Parents and Friends Association’ for the massive amount of work they put into making both of the evenings such a success – it is greatly appreciated!

We sent home a brief survey with student reports at the end of last term. We are interested in what parents would like to see in a report and what sort of feedback they would like in relation to their child’s learning. We would appreciate it if parents could return the survey to the General Office so that we can work on improving our reporting processes.

Karl Schier,
Principal

From the Principal’s Desk

Student Teacher

Mrs Critchley will be working at Beaufort Secondary College for the next 7 weeks. She will be working in the areas of Science, Physical Education and Health with Mrs Fields and Miss Fuller. We hope she enjoys her time at the school.

Community Rewards from Ryans IGA

Leo Ryan from Ryans IGA called in to donate the benefits from their Community Rewards Program. A generous contribution to the school of $1389.84 was donated to the school. Many thanks to the families of the school and the community members who have passed their rewards points on to the school.

Beaufort Secondary College appreciate the support and generous donation from Ryans IGA.

Staff Changes

We welcome Mrs Tudbull to our staff as Mrs Kehoe has taken leave for this semester. Mrs Tudbull will be teaching Japanese to Year 7 and Year 8 students. Please make her welcome.
VCAL Morning Tea

Last term, the Senior VCAL students participated in a 5 week, ‘Jamie’s Ministry of Food’ cooking course. At these classes, we learnt to cook different types of meals including chicken fajitas, porterhouse steak, roast chicken and meatballs. Once we finished the course, we were set the challenge of sharing our new found skills with the school community.

We did this by hosting a morning tea for staff where we were responsible for preparing food, setting up tables and decorations and packing up afterwards. We also aided the breakfast program by cooking egg and bacon sandwiches for the school community.

We greatly enjoyed participating in this program and we have learnt skills we can use in our everyday lives.

Riley Clark and Maddi Smith

Joel plays football in Queensland

Congratulations to Joel Chester who was selected as a member of the AFL Goldfields 2015 Under 17 Far North Queensland Representative Side. Joel travelled with the team on a Far North Queensland Trip during the holidays. The team played two games of football, one in Cairns and one in Townsville.

Defence Force Visit

On Tuesday students in Year 9 and 10, along with some selected Year 11 and 12 students listened to a presentation from representatives from the Australian Defence Forces. The session focused mainly on trade careers available in the Army, Navy and Air Force as well as what is required to gain entry into the armed forces. Students were given a wide variety of information and were able to ask questions at the end of the session. Students or parents who would like to learn more should visit www.defencejobs.gov.au or call 131901.

Community Luncheon

Four Beaufort Secondary College students worked at the Beaufort Community Lunch late last Term. The students set and cleared tables and provided table service. Participating were Year 7 students Davey Sawtell, Seth Rabbets, Abby Tiley and Zoe Wheeler. Each student learnt to serve and collect food. They interacted with members of the community and by the end of the meal each student had confidence in the abilities and interactions.

Rohan Gerrard spoke about his ‘Premiers Spirit of Anzac Prize’ overseas tour, discussing the many places he visited, the incredible experience and the impact that this had on him. Thank you to all of the participants and Rohan.

Mrs Atkinson

Riley Clark and Maddi Smith
Year 12 Presentation Balls 2015

The final of the two Presentation Balls was held on the last Friday of Term 2 at the Beaufort Town Hall. Eight couples were presented to the Principal, Mr Schier and Mayor of the Pyrenees Shire, Mrs Kehoe. The couples presented on the night were:

- Briana Tiley & Scott Kellett
- Mardi Uwland & Lachlan Pfeifer
- Emily Crowley & Alex Thorpe
- Jaymee Crack & Alex McLean
- Maddi Smith & Kyle Keenan
- Maycee Eastick & Lachlan Crick
- Carly Drinkwater & Matthew Mahony
- Natasha Carland & Tom Dawson

Flower girls and pageboys supporting the couples on the night were:

- Felicity Stares & Jet Kerr
- Skye Gillingham & Cooper Sutherland

The hall again looked spectacular with a ‘Great Gatsby’ theme and the color ‘aqua.’ The couples were trained by Ms Shelley Ross from The Dance Studio, Ballarat. They danced the Modern Waltz, The Meringue, The Evening Three Step and the Progressive Jive. They were then joined by their parents to dance the Pride of Erin. A delicious supper was enjoyed by the large crowd who then joined in to dance to local band ‘No Banana Ruby.’

Thank you to all involved in the setting up of the hall, including Mrs McKelvey who co-ordinated the decorations. Thank you to the following people:

- President, Secretary and Treasurer of the PFA, Mrs Sally Crick, Mrs Angela Gerrard and Mrs Jodie Harris and the organising committee.
- Compare: Mrs Liston
- Chaperones: Mr De Zoete-Spiero and Mrs Fisher
- Door staff: Mr Colin Gerrard
- Video: Mr Jeffreys
- Catering: Mrs Lynelle Day, staff and volunteers
- Drinks: Mrs Jodie Harris and Mrs Leonie Perkins
- Staff of Beaufort Secondary College and the Students who helped wait on tables and usher on the night
- Parents who helped with decorations, setting up, packing up and all who helped in any other way

Congratulations to the debutantes and their partners and thank you to their families for their support.

Thank you to the students who participated in both the Year 11 and the Year 12 Presentation Balls for their dedication and commitment and to all of the school community who supported both of these events.

Left - Junior Couples lead the presentations giving flowers to the Official Party.
Far Left - Felicity and Jet
Centre - Skye and Cooper
Below - participants all get in their formations ready for their first dance.
Photos - Rohan Gerrard
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