On the last Wednesday of term Year 11 and 12 SRC representatives organised Footy Colours Day for the whole school. Students dressed in their favourite team colours for the day, had a hotdog lunch and participated in activities at lunchtime. Prizes were awarded for the best dressed and longest kick. The SRC reps and SRC helpers did a great job assisting each other to make the day successful.
From the Principal’s Desk

Welcome back to everyone for the final term of 2015 – Christmas is not too far down the track. We have lots on offer for students this term beyond the normal classroom teaching and learning. Our Year 10 students head off to Melbourne for a valuable metropolitan experience and our Year 8 students have their camp along the coast. We also have an ADVANCE camp, sporting events and several other subject based excursions before we finish the year. Our Year Senior Studies students have exams in a few weeks and are busy preparing to give their best effort. I also encourage all of our students to finish off the year strongly so that they can look back over this year and be proud of what they have achieved. Our values and beliefs in relation to High Expectations are particularly important to remember at this time of year – Responsibility, Commitment and Motivation.

Mr Karl Schier
Principal

Year 11 Camp
Year 11 students are reminded that their camp to Tasmania will be held from Tuesday 24th until Friday 27th November.
This camp is optional but students are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.
Students who do not attend the camp will be expected to attend school for interviews as required.
All students have taken a letter home containing the camp information. For further details contact Mrs Higgins.
Expressions of interest and the deposit need to be returned to the general office by this Friday.

Advance Camp
Students in Year 9/10 in the Advance elective have their outdoor adventure camp at Phillip Island on Monday 12th until Friday 16th October. Students should ensure that their permission forms have been returned to the general office. Any concerns contact Mrs Fisher or Mrs Higgins.

2016 Presentation Ball
Students in Year 11 in 2016 and their parents are invited to an information session in the library on Tuesday 13th October at 7.00pm.
Families will find out all the information regarding the Beaufort Secondary College Presentation Ball 2016. Current Year 10 students are encouraged to participate in the ball. This will allow students in Year 12 to concentrate on their studies.

Gym Floor
The gym floor has been revarnished over the holidays. Students are reminded to only wear clean runners or sneakers inside.

School Choir
On Tuesday 22 September, members of the School Choir participated in an all day workshop to further consolidate their existing repertoire and to learn some new arrangements for upcoming school and community commitments.
These include performing at the next Pyrenees Shire Community Lunch and providing entertainment for guests from Beaufort, France and Luxembourg from the Beaufort Rassemblement Association. Both these events occur this month.
Lots of fun was shared throughout the day including a shared lunch.

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Social Media

Mr Stephen Fields from Ballarat came to school to run workshops for Year 7-12 students on Using Social Media Responsibly and the Law. Social media includes emails, Facebook, Snapchat, photos, messages etc sent on phones, computers or other electronic devices. His sessions were most informative and the students gained a lot of valuable information. Parents are encouraged to supervise the use of these devices.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all parents who took the opportunity to catch up with teachers before Term 4.

Thank you to Mrs Sally Crick (left) who has attended parent teacher interviews over the last 9 years and was attending her last interview for Lachlan who is in Year 12.

Also Mrs McGuire who attended her last parent teacher interview with Shae, who is completing Year 12.

Practice Exams

During the holidays, Year 12 VCE English students came into school and sat a practice English exam. They were expected to write three essays in three hours, with fifteen minutes reading time.

Defying the Drift

Year 10 student Nathan Lilley attended a leadership workshop for country students. The course was held at Marcus Oldham College in Geelong during the school holidays from Monday 28 until Wednesday 30 September.

Nathan stayed at Marcus Oldham College along with another 20 students enrolled in the course. On the first and third days there were a number of guest speakers. On the second day the group travelled to many different agricultural enterprises, including a dairy farm, a farm product supplier, an organic farm, a seed cleaner and a farm who used technology in all their operations.

Nathan thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thank you to Mr George Kirsanovs and the Rotary Club of Beaufort for providing this opportunity.

Holiday classes

Thank you to Mr Walton, Mrs Hinton and Mrs Kerr who organised Year 12 study sessions and practice exams in the September holidays. Students in Year 12 took advantage of the opportunity and this will help them prepare for their final exams at the end of the year.
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