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Steelmen host Workchoice Day schools

Playing their part in the nationwide Workchoice Day on May 16, members of Steel Construction New Zealand Inc., (SCNZ) hosted year 12 students from various schools and gave them some insight into career opportunities.

At Glenbrooke, New Zealand Steel showed how its 1,200 employees produce some 600,000 tonnes of steel slabs annually. At Fletcher Easysteel, boys from Auckland Grammar talked to the people who import steel from abroad, then cut and distribute it to fabricators.



Students from Auckland Grammar on their guided tour of Fletcher Easysteel

Auckland Steel took two groups, one from Wesley College and one from Auckland Seventh Day Adventist School, on guided tours that started with the company's induction video and moved from steel detailing and estimating right through the purpose-built workshop where fabrication was in full swing.



Wesley College students being briefed by Tim Watkins, Managing Director of Auckland Steel

The Managing Director, Tim Watkins, conducted the tour, talking about the fabrication processes and the numerous projects on which his 100-strong workforce is engaged. “Job satisfaction counts for a great deal in our industry. We erect what we fabricate; whatever we build, makes a shadow. My advice to young people thinking about joining our industry is: be the best you possibly can at whatever you decide to do, and always look to move up.”



Auckland Seventh Day Adventist students make notes on careers in steel

SCNZ produced a ‘Careers in Steel’ booklet as part of its drive to spread awareness of the opportunities and rewards typical of the modern steel construction industry in New Zealand today. The booklet will be sent to all secondary and intermediate schools and contains company profiles and contact information.

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