20 Year Anniversary Celebrations:
Our celebratory assembly and associated events proved to be a great success on Monday morning. A large number of special guests came along to share the birthday festivities. An excellent whole school assembly included guest speakers Aaron Malcolm, 1994 School Captain and past Principal Mr Peter Fry, a rendition of happy birthday with a special Baimbridge College birthday cake including blowing out the candles, musical performance from Sarah Bishop and Mrs Ross, a nostalgic powerpoint display tracing the history of Baimbridge College, School Captain speech and the presentation of gifts to staff members who were still at Baimbridge after 20 years. At the assembly our School Council President Mrs Sarah Franks announced the school motto that was agreed on after extensive consultation.

The motto agreed to by Council is: “In knowledge there is opportunity”.

From the assembly we went to the front of A-block on the east campus where we interred a time capsule put together by Mrs Ward’s SOSE class that is to be opened in 2044 and we planted a commemorative tree. Special guests enjoyed an excellent morning tea and at lunchtime every student was given at least one decorated cup cake made by Mrs Guegan-Brown’s Hospitality class. All in all it was a memorable day for which I would like to thank our assistant principal’s for their organisation and in particular to Mr John Hill who initiated the event through our school council.

Happy 20th Birthday Baimbridge College.

Congratulations:
I would like to compliment the cast and crew of this year’s production Beauty and the Beast. The performances were a resounding success and were very warmly received by appreciative audiences. I would like to also thank parents and teachers who gave up their own time after hours and on the weekend to bring the show together. It is amazing what we can achieve when we all work together. Well done!

(photos are on the website)

Year 12 Students:
Students in Year 12 will only have about three weeks left of secondary school when they return in term IV. This vacation will be more of a study break than a holiday as they prepare for their end of year examination period. I hope they are able to use the time well and face the end of year with no regrets about how they spent their time during the year and the achievement results that they earn for themselves.

End of term:
Term III ends next Friday 19th September. Classes will be dismissed at 2.30pm with student interim reports distributed just before at 2.20pm. Term IV resumes on Monday 6th October.
Yiyili Community School:
On Tuesday the 16th September we will be welcoming the Principal of Yiyili School in Western Australia, Mr Nick Try, and a group of his students to Baimbridge College. The students and Yiyili school were the subject of a number of newsletter articles at this time last year. Baimbridge College is keen to continue to build on our relationship to enable exchanges of students, teachers and experiences. When they arrive on Tuesday our visiting students will go to classes, meet our students and visit Hamilton and then move off to Melbourne to see the sights and hopefully take in a game of finals AFL football. I am sure that we will all make them feel welcome when they arrive. We all need to understand how big the change will be for them, they live in a very small community that is 7 hours drive into central Western Australia from Broome and the temperature there is usually in the mid to high thirties. So they will feel the cold and even little Hamilton will feel busy to them.

Bus Scholarships:
Initial discussions have started for the move to centralised organisation of school bus travel in term II 2015. We will distribute information to parents as soon as it is made available by Public Transport Victoria (PTV). While the enforcement of eligibility guidelines for free bus travel will tightened up, School Council will consider offering special scholarships to students who would like to come to Baimbridge College but live outside our catchment. I therefore urge any family with students who would be new to our school to contact Mr Gilchrist or me before they make final enrolment decisions based on bus travel eligibility criteria.

Baimbridge College Website (www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au):
I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a well maintained website. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a more comprehensive list of school information than it has in the past.

Compass:
Our online student management system, Compass, will continue to be used this year. Parents should have their own personal log on which is different to their son or daughter’s. The system is accessible anywhere the internet is available on computer, smart phone, tablet or other mobile device. The website is https://baimbridge-co.vic.jdlf.com.au/login.aspx If you require more information accessing the system please contact the school. There is a link on our website to help you should you forget the address.

Access to Newsletters:
Baimbridge College produces a newsletter each week that will be distributed by email, the Baimbridge College website or through our student management system Compass. To ensure you receive your newsletter please contact our front office on 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list or just log on to our website or Compass each week.
Schoolgirls Netball

26 bleary eyed young girls (and a few older ones) boarded the bus at Baimbridge College last Thursday morning at 5am to make their way to the State Netball Centre in Melbourne.

3 teams competed on the day with some success and a great experience was had by all.

Commitment, organisation, competition, teamwork, discipline and a huge range of other words describe the advantages of such a trip.

I would like to thank Jill Robinson (coach) Kim Sparrow (coach) Nellie Kelly (umpire), Anne Keatley (umpire) and Sylvia Luke (umpire) for making this trip possible, with special mention to Kim who came as a parent helper and ended up coaching for the day. Jen McArthur

The school girls netball team departed Baimbridge College at 5am last Thursday and headed towards Melbourne. Most of us slept on the way, especially on the floor, only stopping at Skipton for a quick toilet break and Ballarat to pick up an umpire. We arrived at the State Netball Centre at 9am raring to play a day full of netball. We played 9 out of 15 rounds. Our team consisted of 9 players: Sophie Kenny, Abbey Jones, Steph Austin, Georgia Murray, Lauren Dennert, Alice Keatley, Deanna Barker & Rebecca Langley. Danielle Vankalken was injured but came along and provided good team spirit.

We had a great day, well done to all Baimbridge College Netball teams. Lauren & Georgia.

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PREPS to YEAR 8’s

PARENTS / STUDENTS / FRIENDS / STAFF

Sunday September 14th 9.30am - 12 noon, meet at West Campus Front Door.

Free lunch afterwards, RSVP to John Hill 0419 337 769 for catering
Adam Wallace – Author Illustrator Visit
Adam Wallace presented a lively and engaging writing and drawing workshop to twenty of our students on Tuesday.
All students had a fun time and produced some very interesting work, taking on board many of the hints that Adam had to offer.
We are grateful to YABBA – Young Adult Best Book Awards – who funded Adam’s visit to Hamilton. This provided a wonderful opportunity for our students to work with and learn from an exciting and energetic young author and illustrator.

Some of our Year 12’s had the opportunity to reflect on their childhood and really get to appreciate how far they’ve come in life by visiting the Gray Street Primary School Grade 1 students yesterday.
Schoolgirls Football

On Tuesday 2nd September the Baimbridge College Schoolgirls football teams represented the school at Pedrina Park against teams from Monivae, Hamilton College and Casterton, the girls made us proud with their determination and drive, thank you to Miss Swanton and Miss Smith for being there for the girls and Isaac Povey with Sam Tooley, Lachy McIntyre with Aaron Jenkins who gave up their time coaching, you are to be commended. Our runners and umpires are to be thanked also for a big day officiating and assisting.

Congratulations to Maddison Elliott and Sophie Robinson for receiving the ‘best on ground’ awards.

Happy 20th Birthday!

More images of the celebrations can be found on the website under the NEWS menu.
Term 4 2014
HILAC Swim lessons

ENROLMENTS OPEN FROM 8AM 21 SEPTEMBER

Assessments for all children over 3 who didn’t attend lessons in Term 3:
- Saturday 13 September 10am – 12
- Monday 15 September 4pm – 6pm
- Cost: Pool Entry

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Sarah Byron
Swim Programs Coordinator
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DATE 14 September (Sunday)
TIME 2:30 pm for a sumptuous afternoon tea
3:30 pm Film Commences
TICKETS $20

Tickets available from 44 Gray Street (Houther), from the HIRL Office Monday/Wed/Fri - 3-10 am to 1 pm IPhone before you go - 5572 3690 or at the Cinema door on the day.

“GARDENING WITH SOUL” - Gardening with Soul is a feature length documentary following a year in the garden with 70-year-old Sister Tonala. Sister Tonala’s optimism is infectious and 25 for every day by her love of gardening. Themes of faith, aging and compassion as well as the practicalities of community living makes this a unique story of a woman approaching the end of her life.”

A FREE information night for parents and students

Thursday October 30, 2014
from 7.00-8.30 pm

RMIT Hamilton - 200 Ballarat Road
(light supper provided)

Open to ALL Grade 6 students and their parents/carers

Topics include: What to expect, relationships between school & families, student to student, student to parent and students self-confidence

Guest Speakers: Leigh Bartlett from BATForce & Master Mukhtar Kadiri from Palace Martial Arts

RSVP to your local Primary School by October 23rd to reserve your spot

Further details available from Belinda Carroll, Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN on 5971 9302 or your school’s Grade 6 teacher

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