Upcoming Events
Wed 4 - Fri 6 Feb
Year 7 Camp
Tue 17 Feb
House Swimming Sports
Wed 18 Feb
Grade 6 Transition Day
PARENT INFO EVENING FOR YEAR 7 2016
Busting for a feed
FREE BREAKFAST West Canteen
Thur 19 Feb
Yr 5 & 6 District Tennis
Principal Tours
9.45am - 10.45am
BOOK ON
55 722 788
Fri 20th Feb
Immunisations 7 & 10
Tue 24 Feb
School Photos
Wed 25th Feb
New Parent Luncheon in VCE Centre
1pm - 2pm
Thur 26 Feb
Glenelg District Swimming

Year 7 students at their first General Assembly on Friday

Welcome:
I would like to welcome everyone back to school for 2015. In particular I am delighted to welcome all of our new students to Baimbridge College. From our new prep students and our large group of Year 7s right through to the many students who have joined us in all the other year levels. I would like to welcome the families of these students to our community and trust that being part of Baimbridge College leads to a satisfying experience and a rewarding pathway in life.

I would also like to welcome back all of our 2014 students from their summer holidays and wish them a successful 2015.

Dux:
Congratulations to Taylor Kearney who was our dux of Year 12 last year. Taylor was closely followed by Sophie Gilbert. Both Taylor and Sophie have been accepted into their first choice of tertiary studies as were the vast majority of the class of 2014. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 12 from 2014 and wish them success in their tertiary studies, gap year or career as the case may be. It was very satisfying to see our students offered tertiary places in their desired field as well as our senior vocational students moving into much sought after apprenticeships and traineeships. Congratulations to all on a successful secondary education.

New Staff:
At the end of 2014 a number of Baimbridge College staff took leave from teaching for 2015. They were Mr Paul Schryver, Mr Colin Brown, Mr Paul Walsh, Mr Darren McGarigle, Mrs Grace McGarigle, Miss Brylee Swanton, Mr Peter Hodkinson, Miss Rhiannon Smith and Mrs Cath McGowan. I would like to thank them for their contribution to Baimbridge College and the education of the young people of the district.

As a consequence we are pleased to introduce a number of new staff to our college to fill the roles that have been vacated. They are Miss Ilaria Badino (Italian), Mr Alan Thomas (technology), Mr John Sly (Humanities/English/Physical Education), Mr Baldev Josan (Mathematics) and I would like to welcome back Mr Ewan McDonald (English) and Mrs Sylvia McMullen (Science) and a very warm welcome back to Mrs Lisa Kyle (Mathematics). Also new to our college are Mr John Farley (cert II Automotive) and Ms Veronica Delaney-McSwain (cert II Hairdressing) and Mrs Mary Golding (cert II Hospitality).

Smooth Start:
While I was one of the people who doubted that starting the school year on a Friday was a good idea; I am pleased to say it was a great success again and we have enjoyed a very smooth start to the year. Once we got past our disrupted Friday with all its meetings and organisation information, classes went very well indeed when we began school in earnest on Monday.
Awards Night:
I would like to congratulate all the students who received awards or scholarships at the awards night at the end of last year. I would also like to thank the different clubs, organisations and individuals who make scholarships and prizes available to our students to support and encourage them in their studies.

Year 7 Camp:
As I prepare this newsletter all of our Year 7 students are packing for their orientation camp at Norval Camp in Halls Gap. They are accompanied by their form teachers and year level co-ordinator as well as other staff who will guide them through introductory and team building activities in preparation for their membership of and study in Year 7 this year. Also in attendance to support our new students are student leaders and peer support leaders all of whom have the intention of smoothing the transition to secondary school for everyone in Year 7. They will have spent three days in Halls Gap before returning and we will have more information in next week’s newsletter about their activities.

Student Computer Information:
This year all we have further expanded access to 1:1 computers with Year 11 and 12 students having the option to be part of our school supported program. Any questions regarding the induction meetings or the program can be directed to Mrs Kym Dempsey. Along with the 1:1 computer program is the expansion of our online student management system Compass. There will be more information available to parents this year. Parents can log onto the system from the Baimbridge College website. This will also enable them to access their password. I can see a time in the future when student reports will be on Compass. Watch this space!!

Swimming Sports:
The Baimbridge College House Swimming Sports will be held on Tuesday 17th February at Hughan Park. No classes will run on that day at school. No pass outs will be provided for students to leave the pool during the day unless they are with a parent. All students should come to school in the morning as usual and we will move to the pool as a group. Students should bring their lunch, sunscreen, a hat, a drink and should be in uniform unless they are competing in an event. I would welcome parents to attend to support students who are participating and if you can help with the organisation please contact Miss Cogger or Mrs McArthur.

Transition Information:
In keeping with the trend set by other schools in the area, Baimbridge College will hold its Year 6 to Year 7 transition day early again this year, on Wednesday 18th February. State Primary Schools in the area are aware of this arrangement and we are inviting all Year 6 students to attend a day of schooling at Baimbridge College to discover what we have to offer. This will be followed by an Information Night also on the west campus on Wednesday 18th February and then a tour of the school during the day on Thursday 19th February from 9.45 - 10.45am, please call the College office to book. Alternatively if you cannot make this session please feel free to book a private tour.

We trust that aligning our transition information with other schools will enable parents to make a realistic comparison of educational settings for their children.

We look forward to welcoming Year 6 students and their parents to our school and showing them the wonderful opportunities that Baimbridge College has to offer.

Baimbridge College Website (www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au):
I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a website thanks to the wonderful work of Mrs Jill Robinson. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a very comprehensive list of school information. I would like to thank Mrs Robinson for the excellent job she has done constructing and maintaining the new site.

Compass:
Our online student management system, Compass, will be enhanced 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 to parents by email or via the Baimbridge College website. To ensure you receive your newsletter you can contact our front office on 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list OR just log on to our website each week.

If there are any questions or concerns I urge parents and guardians to contact myself, our Assistant Principals Mr John Hill and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant Co-ordinators who are listed on the previous page.

School Photos will be taken on the 24th of February. Students are to wear Summer Uniform, have their hair neat and tidy, girls to wear white or blue ribbons please. School jumpers must be worn in photos. If you do not have a school jumper one will be supplied for you. Family photos will be available, students will be given their photo forms to order online soon.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING TAX FILE NUMBERS

Changes to the Secondary Schools Tax File Number Program in 2015

The Secondary Schools Tax File Number (TFN) Program will not continue beyond 31 December 2014. This means that School TFN forms will no longer be processed beyond this date.

How students can apply for a TFN from 1 January 2015

The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN.

Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

Applying online is the fastest and most convenient way for students to get a TFN. More information on applying online can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC27248'

Students who are unable to visit a participating Australia Post office will need to complete the application form Tax file number - application or enquiry for individuals form (NAT 1432). More information about lodging this form can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC22604'

The ATO will continue working with teachers to educate students about tax and superannuation. The curriculum resource Tax, Super & You is a free, easy to use, online educational resource aligned to the school curriculum of each state and territory. This resource can be accessed at taxsuperandyou.gov.au

In the coming weeks we will provide more information by email on how students can apply for a TFN and the educational services we can provide. In the meantime if you require any further information you can phone 1300 130 282 between 8:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

Regards

Steve Vesperman
Deputy Commissioner of Taxation
Regional Conferences 2015

Leadership | Action | Student Voice

VicSRC/Regional Conferences allow students to network across schools, gain new skills, work together on common issues and define what really matters to students across Victoria.

- A day conference for secondary students and their teachers
- Take action on issues you care about
- Visit and learn how to be more effective student representatives
- Free pick-up PO for teachers

"I'm part of something bigger and together we're powerful!"

REGIONAL CONFERENCE - HAMILTON
Thursday 26 March 2015
8.45am-3pm (EST)
Barminde College | Hamilton, VIC

Cost:
- $25 per student for VicSRC member schools
- $45 per student for non-VicSRC member schools

Register online by Friday 6 March: www.vicsrc.org.au

More information:
Fiona Campbell | communications@vicsrc.org.au | 0407 377 777

---

JACPLUS PAYMENTS DUE BY FEBRUARY 13TH 2015

Dear Parents,

It has been brought to our attention that some parents have not yet completed their purchase of the Jacaranda $100 Digital Bundle for their child.

Parents are required to complete this transaction before Friday 13th February 2015. After this date, JACplus will be deactivating student accounts where the Digital Bundle has not been purchased. To ensure your child has full access to the eBooks and resources they need for the 2015 school year, please visit the Jacaranda Parent Portal to make your purchase.

Before you begin, you will need the following:
- Your child’s student number
- A valid credit card or pre-paid debit card

More information on credit card payments:

To make this purchase, simply visit https://parentportal.jacplus.com.au/jacplus/parent college
- Select your child’s year level
- Enter in your child’s name and student number/email address
- Click Purchase and follow the prompts to complete the transaction.

You may have attempted to access the Portal already, but have not fully completed the purchase. If so, you may encounter one of the following problems:
- Cannot overwrite your child’s name or email address
- Shopping cart is showing as empty, even though you have tried to add the $100 Bundle

These problems can be quickly and easily overcome in one of the following two ways:
- Complete the transaction in a different web browser

For example, if you usually use Internet Explorer®, try using Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox
- Alternatively, you can clear the Cookies in your current web browser
  - Follow these instructions to clear the cache and Cookies—make sure you tick the box to clear the Cookies specifically:
    http://jacplus.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/9367855-how-to-clear-your-cache

Many thanks,
JACPlus Team at Jacaranda Publishing
Rippleffect: A community music program for teenagers aged 12-18 yrs old.
4PM - Tuesday the 10th of February at the Hamilton Performing Arts Centre for teenagers interested in current pop and rock, and can sing or play an instrument, (beginners welcome).
$20 per participant for entire program. Culminating in an Ultimate Jam Session in March.
Please bring your instrument and some ideas for song choices.
2014 Rippleffect band went onto to play at several gigs throughout the year and launched a band.
Further information can be found on our FB page, Ken Cameron at Hamilton PAC or ask your music teacher.
Raising Teens

A program for parents of children in Years 6, 7 and 8

Topics include:
- Normalising behaviour
- Setting boundaries & building resilience
- Identifying at-risk behavior
- Communication
- Tips for maintaining a positive relationship with your adolescent

Date: Thursday 12th February, 2015
Time: 1–3 pm
Venue: St. Mary’s PS, Hiller Lane, Hamilton
Cost: FREE!!!

RSVP by: Monday, 4th October 2014
For enquiries and bookings
Contact: Maree: 5559 3000

PRINCESS DANCE SCHOOL

Fun, Relaxed, Family Friendly Dance School
Tap & Jazz classes held in Hamilton 3 days a week
Toddler to Adults, Boys & Girls.
EVERYONE WELCOME

Liz Liessly - 0418 289 987
Email: princess158@gmail.com
Princess Dance School

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching
Managing difficult behaviour in children

Great Interaction between parents
Easy to follow strategies
More Confidence

A Parenting program to ensure a more peaceful household, less arguing and fewer angry moments.

St Mary’s Hamilton

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program is an easy to learn, easy to use, down to earth parenting program to help parents gently and firmly manage the behaviour of children in the 2–12 year old age range.

The program helps parents to help parents gently and firmly manage the behaviour of children in the 2–12 year old age range.

1-2-3 Magic provides parents with strategies to sort between different types of behaviour and use less talk, less emotion which lessens both parent and child feelings of emotional stress and help children to understand and better manage their emotions.

Date: 12th, 19th, 26th February, 2015
Time: 10–1 pm
Venue: St Mary’s, Hiller Lane, Hamilton
Cost: Fees ($150.00 workbook)
(Sorry, no child-care available)

For enquiries and bookings phone Maree on 5559 3000.

B R O N Z E R E S C U E P R O G R A M

BRONZE STAR and BRONZE MEDALLION

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22 & MARCH 1
9.30AM – 4.30PM

Enrol at HILAG Reception
For enquiries and further information please contact:
Sarah Byron Swim Programs Coordinator,
Ph: 5554306 or email: sbyron@stgrampians.vic.gov.au

We want YOU! Families BIG or small!

STS Student Exchange has students from all over the world who come to Australia to experience our amazing country twice a year – July and January. We are looking for volunteer host families to share their home with an exchange student. Students have their own spending money and medical insurance. All you need to do is welcome them in and treat them like your own son or daughter.

If you are interested in hosting an exchange student or would like any information contact
Amelia – STS Local Coordinator for South West Victoria Phone: 0436 899 867
http://www.sts-education.com/australia/hc/host-family/
We thank you most sincerely for your help in the Canteen, the school could not provide such a great service for the students without the valuable donation of your time.

The canteen is always in need of volunteers as you can clearly see by the gaps in the above roster we are in need of more assistance. We are very grateful for all that we receive - if you can help out at any time please call Adie on 55 722 788

---

**February**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>2</th>
<th>Jody Golding</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>Kerry Goodman</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>Leanne Warburton</th>
<th>5</th>
<th>Sally Wheeler</th>
<th>6</th>
<th>Kerry Price</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Nicole Teasdale</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>Gill Hiscock</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>Lynette Purvis</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>Lyn Duncan</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>Aileen Broadbent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>Carol Titcombe</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>Genevieve Lambert</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>Melanie Rhook</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>Lyn Battista</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Janelle Tooley</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td>Tracey Sartain</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Val Peters</td>
<td>25</td>
<td></td>
<td>26</td>
<td>Anna Topia</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>Faye Crawford</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**March**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>2</th>
<th>Phyllis Speirs</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>Lisa McIntyre</th>
<th>4</th>
<th></th>
<th>5</th>
<th></th>
<th>6</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Labour Day</td>
<td>10</td>
<td></td>
<td>11</td>
<td></td>
<td>12</td>
<td></td>
<td>13</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td>(am) Nicole Smyth</td>
<td>17</td>
<td></td>
<td>18</td>
<td></td>
<td>19</td>
<td></td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Dianna Evans</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(pm)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23</td>
<td>Kate Mibus</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>Kerry Goodman</td>
<td>25</td>
<td></td>
<td>26</td>
<td>Anna Topia</td>
<td>27</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Starting Time 9:00 am.** If unable to do duty as rostered please ring 5572 2788
# Canteen

**HOT FOOD**
- Pie: $3.30
- Flavoured Pie: $3.50
- Nachos: $4.00
- Party Pie: $1.20
- Long Sausage roll: $2.90
- Half Sausage roll: $1.60
- Chiko Roll: $2.20
- Chicken Nuggets: $2.10
- Dim Sim (Term 2 & 3 Only): $1.00
- Potato Cake (Term 2 & 3 Only): $1.00
- Soup (Term 2 & 3 Only):
  - Packet: $1.50
  - Foccacias: $4.50
  - Noodles: $2.20
  - Croissant: $3.50
  - Toasted Sandwich: $3.50
  - Flaming chicken nibble: $1.10
  - Calzone: $2.00

**SWEET TREAT**
- Cookies: $1.30
- Banana Bread: $1.10
- Apple Scrolls: $1.70
- Hedgehog: $2.50
- Jelly Slice: $2.50
- Apple Slice: $2.50
- Vanilla Slice: $2.50
- Caramel Slice: $2.50
- Mint Slice: $2.50
- ½ Slice: $1.30
- Muffins: $2.50

**SANDWICH**
- Assorted Sandwiches: $3.50
- Assorted Wraps: $4.50
- Roll to be ordered: $4.50
- Mini Wraps: $2.00

**SALAD PACK**
- Small (salad only): $3.00
  - with meat: $4.00
- Large (salad only): $5.00
  - with meat: $6.00

**DRINKS**
- Oak 600ml: $2.60
- Oak 300ml: $1.40
- Ice Break: $2.70
- Cool Ridge Water: $2.00
- Nippy’s: $2.00
- Ice Tea: $2.70
- Fresha Juice Large: $2.30
  - Small: $1.50
- Smart Water: $2.70
- Pepsi 450ml Assorted: $2.70
- Glo drink: $1.00
- Glee: $1.50
- Focus Water: $1.50
- Cup of Coffee, Tea: $1.50

**TERM 1 & 4 ONLY**
- Fresh Fruit Salad: $3.00
- Jelly: $1.20

**ASSORTED DAILY SPECIALS CHECK BOARDS**