Leaders Investiture:
Our annual Student Leader Investiture took place last Friday with many family, friends and guests of our student leadership group attending to share in the celebration. Past student and 2005 School Captain, Anna Ross spoke about her career path and education since completing Year 12. Our Mayor Councillor Peter Dark presented badges to all of the SRC representatives and office bearers. Lachlan McIntyre and Mikayla Beavis spoke on behalf of the House Captains, Music Captains Teah Coate and Maddie Dohnt spoke about the music program and School Captains Barbara Sealy and Jake Burger also addressed the students, staff and guests. The afternoon was a great success and an appropriate recognition of our 2015 school leaders. It was interesting to note that our guest Anna Ross, who continues to pursue athletics today, still holds the 100m and 200m records at Baimbridge College from 2002, showing she is a young woman of many talents.

Interim Reports:
These will be distributed today with the Parent / Teacher interviews being held on the evening of Thursday 26th March. Appointments will again be available through Compass, our online student management system. Instructions will be included with reports. I urge all parents to come along and meet their children’s teachers and find out how they are progressing and, most importantly, what they can do to improve.

SRC Conference:
Baimbridge College is hosting a conference for SRC members from across the south west on Thursday 26th March, the second last day of term one. Seventy students from the surrounding district will attend this conference run by the Department of Youth Affairs through VicSRC. The conference is aimed at training SRC representatives in leadership skills.

Uniform Guidelines:
At the last School Council meeting discussion was held about the uniform guidelines and specifically students and body art (tattoos). It was agreed that these were not desirable and an inclusion has been added to uniform policy stating that there should be no visible tattoos and that any student with tattoos will need to keep them covered at all times while involved in school activities including sports and swimming. Anyone who desires an exemption on religious or cultural grounds will need to make application to the principal.

Presentation Ball:
Arrangements for this year’s Presentation Ball have already begun with dance practise going into its fourth week this Sunday night. The ball itself is scheduled for Friday 1st May. Anyone with questions can direct them to Year 11 and 12 Co-ordinator Ms Lyn Collins.
Council Elections:
I would like to congratulate current parent members who have re nominated to remain on School Council for the next two years. They are current president Mrs Sarah Franks (Charlotte and Eleanor), Mr Richard Knape (Kerabelle and Kieson) and Mrs Fiona Isles (Bronte). The two vacant education department employee positions have been filled by our Assistant Principals Miss Rosemary Morgan and Mr John Hill. There is still one department position open due to the absence this year of Miss Sheba Gurm. I will inform our community once this is filled. Community membership positions will be discussed at the next Council meeting but I expect that Mr Tony MacGillivray will again fill one of the vacancies.

School Council meeting:
The next meeting of School Council takes place on Monday 23rd March at 7.30pm in the Hamilton District Skills Centre dining room.

End of Term I:
It may seem difficult to grasp but the end of term I is only one week away. The last day of term in Frida 27th March with classes resuming for term II on Monday 13th April. Classes will be dismissed at 2.30pm on the last day of term.

ANZAC Day:
It may seem a little early to be discussing this day but the first term holidays means that we have already begun to organise so that things are in place once we get back on Monday 13th April. Students will again be supporting the RSL, especially in this 100th Anniversary year, by selling tokens in the Hamilton CBD. Permission forms will be sent home early next term. Baimbridge College is proud to be providing the guest speaker at the town ceremony this year. Baimbridge College will again hold its own ANZAC ceremony on Friday 24th April.

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.

World of Maths Roadshow

World of Maths runs a hand-on problem solving roadshow that comes to schools. We bring 17 large pieces of equipment that the children work on in small groups, covering a wide variety of mathematical issues, involving students from Prep up to Yr 7. They will be in the school the whole day doing 2 - 3 sessions, involving up to 200 students a day. Each year they have a different set of equipment therefore the students get different problems to solve each year. This will be a COMPULSORY activity for our students. Parents are welcome to attend the sessions FREE of charge.
ZOOKEEPER FOR A DAY

Are you in years 7 – 12? Do you want to work with animals? Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Open Range Zoo present a day of activities where you get to work alongside their Zookeepers.

Keeper for a Day, If you are keen to find out what it takes to work in a zoo, caring for the amazing array of animals, then you may be interested in attending the Keeper for a Day program, which is running at Werribee Open Range Zoo and Healesville Sanctuary:

Werribee Open Range Zoo, March 31, April 2, 8, 10, [www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day](http://www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day)

Healesville Sanctuary, March 31, April 1, 7, 8, [www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day](http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day)

VET FOR A DAY

This program allows students in Years 7 – 12 to work in the Healesville Sanctuary Vet Hospital for the day. You will be able to assist the veterinarian’s with jobs such as:

- Suturing
- Animal contact
- Rehabilitation

I Diagnosis
I Health checks
I Post Mortem

Dates are April, 1, 2, 8, 9, [www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/vet-for-a-day](http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/vet-for-a-day)
Guest speaker and past student Anna Ross with current school captains Barbara Sealey and Jake Burger, along with School Council President Sarah Franks at the Investiture.

Anna Ross addresses the students and parents at the Investiture this week.

Our Grade 5 & 6 students represented the College at the combined school sports on Tuesday, supported by students from 8D. A great effort was made by all with special mention to Tahlia Walker for winning her age group champion (photo on front page).
G'day USA
January 2016

It is not to late to join this 20 day Cultural Exchange tour to the USA.

Travel with your school friends and live with an American family for 10 days.

Visit Disneyland Universal Studios San Francisco, San Diego and an American School. There is even a possibility that we might be at Disneyland to bring in the new year!

Please see this newsletter or Mrs Ward for further information.
**Hamilton Library School Holiday Program – April 2015**

**There is always something to do in the Library...**

**Make your own SpongeBob**

Then enjoy the special showing of the movie

**AMAZING CD WEAVING**

A fantastic way to recycle your old CD’s. Create these colourful woven works of art using a few simple tricks and lots of imagination. They look great by themselves or joined together.

**YOUNG YARNERS**

Come along and learn how to knit and craft using wool with members of the ‘Furts of Wisdom’ knitters club.

**Friday 10th April @ the Library**

11.00 am to 12 noon

When a diabolical pirate above the sea steals the secret Krabby Patty formula, SpongeBob and his nemesis Plankton must team up in order to get it back.

**Where:** Hamilton Cinema

**When:** Wednesday 1st April

Craft @ 1.30 pm

Movie @ 2.30 pm

**Cost:** $6.50 per person

Limited number of tickets available.

Pre-purchase @ the Library

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**Wallacedale Hall**

**Bronze Rescue Program**

**Bronze Star and Bronze Medallion**

**Sunday 24th & 31st May 2015**

9.30AM - 4.30PM

Enrol at HMLAC Reception

For enquiries and further information please contact:

Sarah Byron

Programs Coordinator,

Ph: 55549200 or email: sbyron@btvgrampium.vic.gov.au

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**U/12s Football 2015**

Where: Pedrina Park

When: Sunday 19th April 10.30am

Registration - Online at www.hamiltoncitysportingpulsar.net

Cost $25 (To be paid on the day, not online)

For children in Grade 5 & 6

All players who played in last year’s U/12 competition MUST re-register, if they wish to play again this year.

Contact Daniel Hallam 0418 129 512

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**North Hamilton Kindergarten**

**FUTURE USERS SURVEY**

A future users survey is available for 2016. COM are using this tool to obtain information from our users to design the operational (time table) structure for the coming year and to help determine future planning.

If you will be using North Hamilton Kindergarten in 2016, it is important you participate in this survey. Completed surveys are to be returned to North Hamilton Kindergarten by March 27, 2015.

To receive your survey, contact President Renae Porter on 0417 336 921 or email president.nhk@hotmail.com

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**Wallacedale Hall**

**Yesterday / Today Exhibition**

Dedicated in memory of the past life member Russell Phillips

Set 21st of March 10am - 4pm FREE entry

- Raffle – a trailer load of wood $2 ticket
- or 3 for $5
- Sausage sizzle, tea & coffee

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**Wodonga WDUF**

**Would you like to...**

- **Have fun? Get paid? Get fit?**
- Develop confidence and leadership skills?
- Contribute to the game we love?

Joining the Western District Umpires Association might be for you!

We cater for all ages & fitness levels. Male & Female.

For further information contact WDUF Recruitment Officer

Geoff Barker on 0459 584 003 or 03 55723669
WDHS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

$40 per activity
Tuesday 31st March > Go Karting & 10 Pin Bowling Warrnambool
Thursday 2nd April > Bounce Inc. Melbourne
Tuesday 7th April > Paintballing Mt Gambier
Thursday 9th April > Luna Park Melbourne

Forms at East and West Campus Offices, get in fast as spots disappear quickly.

NAB Hamilton Auskick will commence at Pedrina Park on Saturday 18th April at 9:00am concluding Saturday 20th June 2015. There will be no Auskick sessions on Anzac Day Saturday 25 April or the Queen’s Birthday weekend Saturday 6th June.

Go to www.aflauskick.com.au to register. All registrations must be online. The cost is $75.00 plus credit card fees. All participants that register and pay online before Monday 20th April 2015 are eligible for the AFL Gameday Club Connect offer of four free tickets to selected AFL games. Auskick packs will be delivered to your home addresses and no packs will be distributed at Pedrina Park.

HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIPS & EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE - APPLY BY TUESDAY, 31ST MARCH

Scholarships valued from $2,500 up to $10,800 are open to students between 15-18 years of age and offer the unique opportunity to live and study overseas for a semester or year.

Students can also make a saving of up to $1,000 off their exchange program fee with an Early Bird Discount:

The deadline for scholarship and early bird discount submissions for all programs departing between October 2015 - March 2016 is March, 31st October 2015.

Visit www.studentexchange.org.au or call 1300 135 331 for more information.
The canteen is in desperate need of helpers for a catering job on Thursday the 26th of March, three assistants are required, if you can help please call Aide on 55 722 788.

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.