Mrs Guegan-Brown, Emily Russell, Brad O’Brien and Sam Taynton in Florence for Cert II Hospitality HDSC.

Principal’s Notes

Merry Christmas :
This will be the final newsletter for 2015 and I would like to wish everyone a safe holiday season and a wonderful new year. Congratulations to all of our students on their school work and achievements this year. We have had students excelling in a huge variety of undertakings during 2015 and we can be proud of their achievements and the opportunities we have been able to provide for them as a school and community. I look forward to 2016 and welcoming and introducing our new students to our community and to continuing the education journey with our current students.

Orientation Day :
Tuesday 8th December is the day we welcome our new Year 7 students to school to experience their first and introductory classes. Orientation day has been organised by Mrs Bernie Cook in liaison with our district primary schools. Anyone who has missed out on being included in the day can remedy the situation by contacting Mrs Cook on 55722788.

Awards Night :
Next Thursday 10th December we are holding our annual Awards Night at the Hamilton PAC beginning at 7.30pm. We are very fortunate to have a number of organisations and individuals in town who are providing scholarships for our students and I would like to thank them for their generosity and community spirit. Students who are recipients of scholarships or awards will be contacted by the school in the next few days. Award recipients are required at the PAC by 7.15pm at the latest so that they can be marked present on a roll. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Awards Night to celebrate another wonderful year for Baimbridge College and its students.

End of Year Program :
This special program begins on Friday 11th December. Students have received information and selection sheets some time ago and should have signed up for the different activities that staff have organised. Wednesday 16th December is the whole school trip to Warrnambool, and Thursday is the climax of the activities with the Fisher Cup decided between our Houses lead by next year’s school leaders. I would like to thank Mrs Samantha Adams for organising our EOYP again this year.

Reports :
Reports will be distributed to students on the last day of the school year, Thursday 17th December at 3.15pm. Year prep to 9 students will have reports distributed at a form assembly, other students can collect reports from the east office.
Year 10:
Tomorrow, Friday 4th December is the last day of classes for our Year 10 students. They will have completed a series of information sessions this week to prepare them for 2016 and their Year 11 classes. Reports will be available for distribution to all students on the last day of classes for the rest of the school on Thursday 17th December. We will have a special assembly at 3.15pm on the day for the distribution of reports for students from Year 7-9 with Year 10 reports available at the east office at the same time.

End of Year:
The end of the school year is Thursday 17th December with students dismissed at 3.30pm as usual. Classes resume in 2016 on Friday 29th January.

Staffing:
As we approach the end of the year we will again farewell staff as has become the case in recent years. I would like to begin by farewelling and thanking Mrs Liz Hogan who has resigned from Baimbridge College to take up a new position in town. Mr Scott McFadden’s extended leave this term has turned into a transfer to Gray Street Primary School so he will not be teaching with us in 2016. I would like to thank him for his work in the Middle School and school production in particular and wish him well for the future in his new undertaking. Mr Baldev Josan will be taking up a position at another school and I would like to thank him for his work this year. Finally Miss Tamara van Hees who has been a valuable member of our library team will not be continuing and I would like to thank her for her contribution to our school.

Baimbridge College Website (www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au):
I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a website that contains virtually all the information that a parent or student could need about Baimbridge College and its processes. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a very comprehensive list of school information. If you still have questions after checking the site please contact our office on 55722788.

Compass:
Our online student management system, Compass, has been 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.

Robert Vecchiet, Principal

UNIFORMS—If you have any unwanted uniforms the Wellbeing Department would appreciate any donations please bring to either office.
STANDING TALL THANK YOU
A big thank you to Brock Macfarlane and Tavis McCallum for providing the wonderful music last Thursday for the Standing Tall community Christmas party.

The boys volunteered their time with the support of Ben Hunter.

They entertained a crowd in excess of 100 people at HIRL to celebrate another year of the successful Standing Tall mentoring program. Many thanks for making the party such a success.

Tracey McDonnell Standing Tall Coordinator Hamilton

FOOD1 This term in Food 1 we cooked a different variety of different dishes, from meat to fish and all sorts of new foods. Other than cooking, we learned about factory farming, safe handling of food, different vegetables/ fruits and healthy eating to name a few. Did you know that the average amount of meat Aussies eat each year is 116 kilo’s? Neither did I until I took Food class. There are many more topics that we covered over the term and it has been a great class as I learned a lot of great things to use in the future.

Shian Cosson

FOOD2 This semester in Food 2 we have learned a lot about dairy, rice and pasta. We also learned a lot about the cuisines of different countries and the different types of ingredients used in different countries. Cuisine has a lot of factors, including culture, and food is a big part of every country’s culture wherever you go. At the end of the semester we got to make our own meal from a country of our choice, we personally think that this was the best part. The food was really good!

Emmah Shepherd, Airlie McIntyre & Luke North Yr9
**POP UP SHOP**
57 Thompson St
30th November – 19th December

Local makers and growers showcasing their products
Checkout the Facebook page

**MAKERS MARKET**
Hamilton Vic

**Ts the Season to be jolly!**
Sandford Village Christmas Market
Sunday 13th December 2015
8am – 1pm

Come and Celebrate with Us!!
Sandford Mechanics’ Hall, 56 Burke St, Sandford, Victoria 3338

**TERM 1, 2016**
SWIM AND SURVIVE ENROLMENTS
OPEN 13 DECEMBER 2015
Assessments (for students over 3 years, not currently in lessons):
- Monday 7 December 4 – 5.30pm
- Saturday 12 December 10.30am – noon
- January assessment dates to be confirmed
Cost: Pool Entry
Assessment entry valid by Term 1, 2016

**INTENSIVE Holiday Private Swim Program**
Dates: 14-18 December
4-8 January 2016
11-15 January
5 x 30 minute lessons
1:1 student/ instructor ratio
$110.00 per program

**G’DAY USA Car Wash & SAUSAGE SIZZLE**
25 McMillan Street, Hamilton
Saturday, 5th December, 2015
12 Noon to 4pm
AFTER THE CHRISTMAS PARADE
$10 Wash, $20 Wash and Vacuum

**MAKE 2016 YOUR LEAP YEAR**
JUMP IN EARLY!
Secure your place and your future
With over 260 courses on offer, there’s one to suit you. Get the skills and qualifications you need to land your perfect job. Don’t miss out on your place. Jump to it and come to one of our information and advice sessions to find out more and enrol NOW.

**HAMANTUSCH ST**
- Administration
- Business & Finance
- Education (1 and 2)
- Engineering Technology
- Education (1 and 2)
- Performing Arts
- Tourism
- Business Administration

**BALLARAT ROAD SITE**
- Architecture
- Health Sciences
- Information Technology
- Engineering Technology
- Performing Arts

**PAC CAFE, HAMILTON**
Visit us at our pop-up
Thurs 3 Dec
10am – 3pm
Whilst we do make every effort to bring your kids the best value possible, we do have to increase our prices in alignment with the distributors—hence a small price rise for 2016 on some items. Please check and adjust the amount you give your child accordingly.

The list has been colour coded to remind students that some food and drink available in our canteen is “sometimes” food and we encourage our students to eat from the green selections for the majority of their choices at school.
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

The canteen will close on Friday December 4, lunches and recess will need to be provided after this date.