Our Cross Country Team at Monivae on Friday last week.

Principal’s Notes

Cross Country:
Congratulations to the Baimbridge College cross country team who competed at Monivae last week in the district event. I was reliably informed that the course was wet, muddy and slippery – and all the competitors I saw showed evidence of the wet track. Particular congratulations to Rhys Wheeler and Bec Langley who both won their events. A detailed list of the results follows further in the newsletter. Well done to all involved.

General Achievement Test (GAT):
Our senior students are approaching the first major external assessment of the year with the General Achievement Test (GAT). The GAT takes place on Tuesday 7 June here at school and all students engaged in a unit 3 / 4 study are required to participate unless they are exempted by VCAA, after an application from the school principal. The emphasis on this test is in the word ‘general’ as it is a measure of student general knowledge in a variety of areas of study. The results of the GAT can be used later in the year if there is some reason a student is unable to perform to their best in final exams. The GAT is a compulsory ‘insurance policy’ that all students should do their best in.

State Budget Planning funds:
After the recent announcement of ‘planning funds’ for Baimbridge College in the State Budget, School Council is in the process of refining its plans for the future. The funds provided in the budget will be used to pay an architect to develop a plan for the school so that we are ready to proceed when capital works funds become available in future budgets. While this is a small step it is significant that we are being given support to create a vision for Baimbridge College for the future. A sub committee to develop this plan was put together at Monday night’s meeting of school Council.

100 Year Anniversary:
Organisation is well underway for celebrations on Saturday 11 June. Information has been published in the Hamilton Spectator and information placed on Facebook. We can still use help from our community to make celebrations a success. If you can spare some time we are still looking for people to help with arrangements. If you can help please contact Miss Rosemary Morgan on 55722788.

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 listed on the next page.

Robert Vecchiet
Principal
Years 11 & 12 English Literature

Recently Baimbridge College students from Years 11 & 12 English Literature had the fashionable and sophisticated pleasure to attend the Hamilton Cinema to enjoy and celebrate Oscar Wilde’s satirical comedy ‘The Importance of Being Earnest’.

Oscar Wilde’s play set out to satirise 19th Century conservatism and the deeply entrenched and often duplicitous moral standards of the time. For Wilde’s characters, style was everything, honesty shocking and a business appointment was important to be missed.

Year 11 students are coincidentally studying the play next semester and will evaluate the views and values of the characters by the way they communicate their opinions, preferences and life choices.

Having finished reading the play in class the same morning, being able to see a recorded live performance of such high quality reinforced and clarified the themes, plot and characterisations for the students. Having popcorn and choc top ice-creams also helped.

Thank you to the Hamilton PAC for bringing this wonderful live production to our local cinema.

Got an old mobile phone you don’t need any more?

You can recycle them here, and support the award winning Standing Tall program at the same time.

Donate your mobile phones, smartphones and tablets here, and the money raised will go towards mentoring young people in our local community.

By donating your phones you are also contributing to protecting our environment by reducing the demand for resources which damages the natural habitat of endangered animals, and also keeps old phones out of landfill.

The green collection box is located in the East Campus Office.

For more info email: admin.stih@baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au
Glenelg Division Athletics & Cross Country

Write-up by Mr Sly

It has been an exciting and busy time to be involved in school sport at Baimbridge College over the past few weeks, with the participation of many of our students in the Glenelg Division Athletics held at Casterton and the Cross Country held at Monivae College recently.

We have had many team and individual successes over both events;

This included winning the **Glenelg Division Athletics Boys Aggregate**, taking the Shield from Monivae who held it during 2015.

**Four Age Group Champions;** Tom Scott, Travis Scott, James Cleaver and Rebecca Langley.


There were also 8 records broken by Baimbridge students at the Athletics, some of which had been unbeaten for many years.

**Records Broken**

Girls 18-20 800 Meter Run 2:43.53 - Rebecca Langley

Boys 16 Year Olds 100 Meter Dash 11.95 - James Cleaver

Boys 17 Year Olds 100 Meter Dash 11.99 - Tom Scott

Boys 17 Year Olds 200 Meter Dash 25.60 - Tom Scott

Boys 15 Year Olds 90 Meter Hurdles 15.50 - Dylan Turner

Boys 17 Year Olds 90 Meter Hurdles 14.63 - Tom Scott

Boys 15 Year Olds High Jump 1.64m - Luke Barnes

Boys 14 Year Olds Javelin Throw 30.51m - Travis Scott

Baimbridge also had a great day at the **Glenelg Division Cross Country** held at Monivae College.

Our senior students led the charge with Rebecca Langley and Rhys Wheeler both coming first in their age groups. We also had a range of students coming in 2nd & 3rd places, and many others who strongly supported their teams.

As a result of some strong team performances, Baimbridge managed to win the 15yr Boys and 18-20yr Boys Pennants. All students involved across the two events should be extremely proud of their efforts.

As always it is important to note the help provided by many staff, both at these events and back at school. Thank you to all staff involved, and a special thank you to Mrs McArthur for all of her tireless efforts.
We have recently had a space open on the Snow Trip due to a student gaining employment. It won’t last long so if you are interested (keeping in mind that this is a BI-ANNUAL trip so last chance for Year 11’s and 12’s with only one school day to be missed—Friday 29th July) please contact Mr Roger Kennett asap to secure it. The cost is $950 for four days, including accommodation on the mountain, lift tickets, ski hire, LESSONS EVERY DAY and meals. It’s a bargain price for an experience that can ignite a lifetime love of the sport or the Alpine region in general.

Confirmed attendees are reminded to complete you survey monkey as the equipment needs to be organised.

Bus departs Thur 28th July 10pm, returns Tuesday 2nd August 1AM.
Excursion to the Memorials in Hamilton.

On Monday the 16th November the Prep to Six visited the memorials in Hamilton. Here are some of their comments:

The cannon had been on a ship.

Ted Kenna stood in front of the gunner and shot the gunner with a rifle.

At Melville Oval there is a memorial from the 2nd World War, 1st World War and Vietnam.

We went to the Light Horse Memorial and counted the Palm trees.

All of us were doing drawings and rubbings to take back to school.

Year Seven trip to Halls Gap.

As part of our studies of living things in Science we went to visit the Halls Gap Zoo. We observed various organisms and learnt about their habitats and also about their natural environments. Many of the species are considered endangered or threatened and are only able to be observed at zoos. It was a great day and most students even held a python.
SUPER HANDY WEBSITE!!!!!!

ReachOut is Australia’s leading online mental health organisation for young people, providing practical support to help them get through everything from everyday issues to tough times.
Community News

We welcome any notices that benefit our students and the wider community.

We do, however, not advertise for profitable businesses or individuals.

AFL TICKETS!!!!!!!!!

Our wonderful friend Mr Des Trotter—owner of Trotters coaches - loves nothing more than sending our families to the footy on him. He has very kindly donated the following tickets for us to give to our families.

- Melbourne v Crows 3 July MCG
- North v Port Adelaide 16 July Etihad
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We ask that you do a small write up on the experience in a thank you card to Mr Trotter in return.

Anyone interested please call Mr Hill on 55 722 788 to secure yours.

LGBTI Information Session

For Staff and Community

All welcome

Wednesday June 1

11am-2pm

WDHS Auditorium

On the day:

- Stu Wilder (Men’s Health Nurse): Where are we now?
- Jami Jones (La Trobe University): History, latest research and the lives and experiences of LGBTI community
- 35 min break
- Julie Dewey (Hepburn Health): Health Services impact and the Hepburn accreditation experience and what has been achieved

Stu Wilder: Questions and next steps

Aim: To improve the health and wellbeing of LGBTI people in our community through: education, information sharing, engagement and agreed actions.

To Register:

Call Diana on 5551 8458
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 5572 2788

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