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NEWSLETTER



Year 10 Hospitality students Maddison Elliott and Rachael Kinna had to clean and fillet this fish in class on Friday last week.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

General Assembly :

This past Tuesday we began the day with a whole school general assembly. The assembly provided the opportunity to recognise the participation of our music students at Generations in Jazz last weekend. The stage band spent the weekend in Mt Gambier seeing and listening to bands from other schools and then had the opportunity to play themselves. The stage band played for the assembly and did an excellent job on Tuesday morning. Sax trio Tracer Dohnt, Cayley Jolly-Anton and Rebecca Howell played for the student body as well and received a great reception for their efforts. We also had a sport report from Ms Jayne Cogger with age group championship medallions from the

Glenelg Region athletics being presented to Jackie Barker, Jenna Loats, Darcy Ogle and Eric Guthrie. Winners and place getters from last week's cross country also received their ribbons. Rachel Pitt-Lancaster presented a report on the Year 12 Universities road trip last week and Fenella Campbell and Emma Johnson gave the school an overview of the upcoming trip to Tasmania for Year 9 students. To cap off the program Mae Udarbe and Taylah Crumpton sang the Green Day "Time of Your Life" that they had performed for the talent quest that ran last week.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TERM 2 –

MAY

Monday 14 Bob Templeton Shield football Year 9 div. 1

15, 16, 17 NAPLAN

Tuesday 22 ICAS test – comp. skills

Wednesday 23 Open Night 7.00 – 8.30

Tuesday 29 'Verbal Combat' Brainstorm Productions

Wednesday 30 GSSSA cross country

JUNE

Tuesday 5 ICAS Science test

Wednesday 6 4-6 football

Monday 11 Queen's birthday

Wednesday 13 VCE exams

Thursday 14 VCE GAT

Friday 15 Report writing day – pupil free

Monday 18 – Friday 29 Year 10 work experience

ICAS writing test

Tuesday 19 ICAS spelling test

Wednesday 20 4-6 football

Friday 22 Presentation ball

Friday 29 Term 2 ends 2.30 dismissal

School Council – 4th Monday of month

Open Night :

Baimbridge College will open its doors to the public on Wednesday 23rd May from 7.00pm until 8.30pm. The format for the evening will be slightly altered from previous years with presentations in different parts of the west campus being scheduled during the night so that people can move from one venue to the other and see and hear what our college has to offer. The east campus will not be opened that night but any parents wishing to tour the campus can do so by ringing our school on 55722788 and asking for Miss Rosemary Morgan or me.

Year 5 Students :

As a result of agreement between Hamilton principals, Baimbridge College has begun to focus transition information on Year 5 students as well as Year 6 students in primary schools. As such Mr Scott McFadden and Mrs Bernie Cook visited Gray St and Hamilton North Primary Schools as well as Coleraine Primary School on Monday this week. They gave students an overview of what Baimbridge College has to offer them if they come here in Year 7 and by all accounts received an enthusiastic reception. There will be a Year 5 visit day on Friday 25th May with more information going home to parents in the next week or so.

Cleaning Fish :

It was a very entertaining morning in the Hamilton District Skill Centre last Friday when 25 or so students were given a whole fresh fish and given the task of scaling, gutting and filleting it. Some families will need to wait a little longer before they can expect home made fish and chips. It seems that some of our students were not very comfortable with the process and will need a little more practice.

Presentation Ball :

Organisation for the 2012 Presentation Ball is currently under way with practise, taking place on Sunday afternoons from 4.30pm until 6.00pm. The ball will take place on Friday 22nd June and we look forward to welcoming the friends and families of the couples to this very special occasion. VCE Co-ordinator Miss Sue Smith has again accepted the challenge of overseeing the

organisation of the evening and I would like to thank her for taking on this task and donating so much of her own time to bring the evening together.

Invitation to Parents :

Our School Review began last week, with our reviewer Ms Keryn McGuinness beginning interviews of staff, students and parents. Ms McGuinness will be at Baimbridge College again on Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th and Friday 18th May before delivering her report to School Council and staff in June. I would like to invite any parents who wish to be part of the interviews to contact me or Miss Rosemary Morgan so that we can pass on their name and make a time for the interview.

Ms McGuinness will be speaking to a variety of student groups as well as staff. Students representing instrumental music, SRC, Year 9 and 10 netbook program, vocational education and those aspiring to go to university are all going to be giving input on the program that they are involved in.

Once the information is collected Ms McGuinness will make recommendations that will form the basis of our goals for the next four years.

NAPLAN :

Students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be undertaking NAPLAN tests in numeracy and literacy next week. Staff are currently preparing students by getting them used to the style of the tests so that they will be familiar with the way the tests are set out and they can then concentrate on the questions that are being asked. The results of these tests will be available and distributed in about September and they make the basis of the data that is currently being analysed for our School Review. More importantly NAPLAN information along with the results of online testing and teacher judgement make up the information we use as a school to determine each student's level of achievement and any recommendations that will be made about possible courses of study in the future and even promotion to the next year level.

Being well prepared for the tests and 'doing your best' are therefore very

important for each student.

Attitude to School Survey :

It is also time for all of our students to complete the annual Attitude to School Survey. These will be completed this week. These surveys give us an indication of students' views about teaching and learning in the school as well as student well being issues. This information is also being used as part of the School Review process mentioned earlier.

Reports :

Any parents or students who were unable to collect interim reports at the end of term I can do so from the front office on the east campus during school hours.

Access to Newsletters :

Baimbridge College produces a newsletter each week that is distributed to students on Thursdays. Any parents who are experiencing problems accessing the newsletter can have alternative access via the Baimbridge College website or by contacting our front office, 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list.

If there are any questions or concerns I urge parents and guardians to contact myself, our Assistant Principals Mr Tony Speed and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant Co-ordinators.

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| P-4 Co-ordinator | Mrs Di Dolman |
| Middle School Co-ordinator (Year 5-7) | Mr Scott McFadden |
| Year 8 Co-ordinator | Mr David Fisher |
| Year 9 Co-ordinator | Mrs Chelsea Carter |
| Year 10 Co-ordinator | Miss Sheba Gurm |
| VCE Co-ordinator (Year 11 and 12) | Miss Sue Smith |
| Student Wellbeing | Miss Rhiannon Smith |
| Co-ordinator VET / VCAL | Mr Steven de Man |
| Co-ordinator Year 9/10 Netbook | Mrs Kym Dempsey |
| Co-ordinator | |

**Robert Vecchiet
Principal**

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2—WEST CAMPUS

| DATE | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| May 14—18 | 14 HELPER NEEDED | 15 HELPER NEEDED | 16 HELPER NEEDED | 17 HELPER NEEDED | 18 Danae Sciascia |
| May 21—25 | 21 HELPER NEEDED | 22 Lyn Duncan | 23 Kerry Goodman | 24 Julie Breban | 25 Helen Edmondson |

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| DATE | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| May 14—18 | 14 Jody Golding | 15 HELPER NEEDED | 16 HELPER NEEDED | 17 Lesley | 18 Glenys Downes |
| May 21—25 | 21 Danni Sarena | 22 Lisa McIntyre | 23 HELPER NEEDED | 24 Lesley | 25 Aileen Broadbent |

**HELPERS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED IN
CANTEEN—see above!
IF ABLE TO ASSIST PLEASE CONTACT ADIE
55722788**



The *Inner Wheel* (the women's arm of the Hamilton Rotary) are inviting you to spend an evening at the movies in support of the Standing Tall School Based Mentoring Program – All funds raised will be donated to the running of this program.

Salmon Fishing in the Yemen

Rated M

7pm on Thursday the 17th May, 2012

At the Hamilton Cinema

Please join us for Drinks and Nibbles prior to the screening from 7.00pm, the movie will commence at 7.30pm and will be followed by Coffee and Desserts.

Tickets are **\$20** and are available from Tracey and Jane at the Standing Tall office at Baimbridge College.



Standing Tall
A School Based Mentoring Program

Careers Term 2

Jetstar are looking for pilots and offer an aptitude test. If interested try the contacts.

Mobile: 0457 101 101 info@pilotaptitude.com www.pilotaptitude.com

Australian Defence Forces visit to Hamilton. Currently 35 students have signed up for an information session with the ADFA. There was some confusion about the date. It is scheduled for the 8th of June. Time as yet has not been set though it will be in the morning and the venue is to be confirmed but may be at Baimbridge College. Watch the Student Bulletin for further updates. Brent Forsythe from Westvic is coordinating the event.

New to my desk: a brochure from Le Cordon Bleu Program Guide 2012- relates to food, tourism and hotel management.

An invitation to the UniSA Career Adviser Information Session- I am not sure if I will attend. It depends on students letting me know whether they are interested in Uni courses in SA.

The Australian Academy of Design- Port Melbourne has sent me an offer of Design Careers Resource Folder – students interested in a Design Resource Folder let me know by close of business Fri 18th and I will send away for the information.

University of New South Wales has sent information on yr 10 information evenings and scholarship options.scholarships@unsw.edu.au

Victoria University has sent some 2013 course guides for students and they are available in the Careers Room.

Ms Smith and I accompanied 32 year 12 students on a university tour last week- Deakin Warrnambool & Geelong, Melbourne, Monash, La Trobe and Ballarat. We also spent a morning at the Age Careers Expo. The students were a credit to their school and families and the majority found courses and campuses they were interested in revisiting in the future. We also caught up with some ex-students along the way, found time to relax and enjoyed an evening at the theatre.

Mrs Collins

Careers Teacher



**Do you wish to volunteer at this year's Fun4Kids Festival –
Sunday 1 to Sunday 8 July?**

We invite you to sign up and be part of the wonderful Fun4Kids Festival volunteer crew. Secondary School Students who volunteer must be 14 years of age or over at the start of this year's Festival.

There are many areas in which you can volunteer – lots of Art and Craft areas; Cooking; Gardening; Painting; Ten Pin Bowling; Woodwork

Secondary School Students with internet access are able to complete and return a SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION WEBFORM – see website www.fun4kids.com.au Click on 'ABOUT' - then 'VOLUNTEERS'.

OR contact the Fun4Kids Volunteer Manager, Sharon Wohlers on 5559 4834 or swohlers@warrnambool.vic.gov.au for more information or Volunteer Registration Forms.

HEALTHY EATING PROGRAM

As part of their VCAL studies Kristelle Sambell, Bianca Spring and Emma Mayne are running a breakfast program at Baimbridge College, from the Hamilton District Skills Centre (HDSC). The girls surveyed the entire school body and found that approximately 20% of students are not eating breakfast.

Eating breakfast contributes in many ways to good health and nutrition.

Did you know?

Breakfast eaters are more likely to be of normal weight compared to non-breakfast eaters

Breakfast improves alertness, concentration, mental performance and memory

Research has shown as many as one in four children go to school hungry

Those who skip breakfast are more likely to snack on less nutritious food during the day, resulting in them eating more fat, which contributes to weight gain

Breakfast can help to improve a person's mood. People often get tired and irritable when they miss breakfast.

Breakfast eaters eat more essential nutrients such as carbohydrate, dietary fibre and certain vitamins and minerals.

It has been shown that if breakfast is missed, the nutrients normally provided by breakfast are not replaced during the rest of the day.

Each week on Thursday morning the VCAL girls are providing a free breakfast to the first 150 students. The menu changes each week and aims to show students how quick and easy it can be to have breakfast.

Last week the girls provided 150 Banana and cinnamon muffins to the students. The girls and I would like to thank David Oliver Natural Honey for the donation of honey and look forward to welcoming other sponsors on board in the coming weeks.

Rhiannon Smith

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Big Chef, Little Chef

We are very excited to have again been invited to join **Lisa Guegan-Brown's 'Big Chef, Little Chef'** program at the Skills Centre. I have only heard about this brilliant program, so I am very excited to see what happens!

This will begin next week on **Friday 18th in periods 3 and 4**, when the Junior students will all be working with a Year 10 student in the school kitchens. This brilliant program will run for about 4 or 5 sessions and all children will learn cooking and kitchen skills under the mentoring of their own Big Chef.

Bunjil's Nest

On Thursday 31st May, grades 4, 5 and 6 will be walking down to the **Art Gallery** where there will be a special installation, which is presented in conjunction with the National Gallery of Victoria. This program draws upon the ancient wisdom of Indigenous Australians to provide our students with a collaborative art-making experience. There will be **no cost to you** for this excursion.

School skirt

Leeanne Dennert has a **size 10** school skirt to sell for **\$50**. It is in **as-new** condition and has been **dry-cleaned** ready for you! **Excellent** price! Immaculate skirt!!

Phone Leanne on **55711147**

NAPLAN

Everyone in every grade 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be heads down next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with the National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy. This involves one test each day. You and the school will receive the results of this assessment later this year.

Keep reading every day!!

