Upcoming Events

**Fri Nov 22**
GD DISTRICT TRIATHLON

**Fri Dec 6**
LAST DAY YR 10s

**Tuesday Dec 10**
Statewide Orientation Day

**Wed Dec 11**
End Of Year Program
Compulsory for Year 7—9

**Thur Dec 12**
Awards Night PAC

**Fri Dec 20**
Last Day of Term
Reports issued 2:30pm

**Thur Jan 30 2014**
School starts

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Principal’s Notes

**Academic Achievement Award**
I have just received a letter from the Victorian School of Languages informing me that Barbara Sealy of Year 10 has received an ‘Academic Achievement Award’ for excellence in her Accelerated 1 French studies. Barbara will be presented with the award at the VSL at a special ceremony to be held on the 7th December. I would like to congratulate Barbara on this excellent achievement and wish her continued success in her studies.

**Poppy Selling and Remembrance Day:**
Baimbridge College students raised over $3000 for the RSL last week with their poppy selling. I would like to thank all those members of the community who supported their efforts. I would also like to congratulate the students on their efforts on two rather unpleasant days weather wise. I am also very pleased to see Remembrance Day so well respected and observed by the young and not so young of our community. Well done.

**Mobile Phones**
I would once again like to remind all parents and students that we have very clear guidelines about the use of mobile phones at school by students. Students are not to have or use their phones during the school day. They can be left with their co-ordinator or assistant principal or me for the day and collected before going home. There are a range of reasons for this rule which is published on our website, in our enrolment documents and in student diaries. The first is to do with cybersafety and bullying, secondly there is the need to focus on classwork not on phone calls and then there is the schools duty of care to students and parents so that in the case of emergencies information can be delivered in a safe, supportive environment in private. Any other calls from the likes of part time employers can go through our receptionists on 55722788 and the message will be delivered to the student. The consequences that our experience shows makes a difference for students ignoring the school rules is the loss of the phone for a period of time.
I trust that this makes clear our reason for this rule.

**Examinations**
Our Year 11 students are about to embark on their examination period and I would like to wish them well with their preparation and the sitting of their exams. Our Year 12 students are getting towards the end of their examination period and will soon be sitting back waiting for the publication of their results.

**Italian Visitors**
We are expecting 12 students from Italy to visit us next year for two months. They will arrive in the first week of term three and will stay with us for a full two months. The visit is now confirmed and I would again like to ask for families who are prepared to host one of the students next year. I have had some responses but still need more. If you are interested in this wonderful experience for your family and child please contact me at school so that I can add you to my list.
1:1 Computer Program:

A supplier of computers for our 2014 Year 7 has now been found. There will be one computer that is recommended for use on the Baimbridge College school network and is supported by Baimbridge College computer technicians. The computer will be loaded with education department software and students will have access to the internet at school through the Baimbridge College internet service that is screened by the education department of Victoria. Electronic text books will also be loaded onto the computer. A letter is about to be sent to all prospective Year 7 enrolments for 2014 about the recommended device. It will include the recommended supplier in Hamilton, the price of the computer and the date of the information sessions to be held for students and parents. It was agreed at a recent meeting that Year 11 and 12 students will be given the opportunity to participate in the 1:1 computer program the same as students in Year 7, 8, 9 and 10. In this way all students at Baimbridge College will be able to access 21st century learning. Parents will notice that this year our booklists for Year 7 – 10 will replace paper text books with electronic text books making students’ texts much more portable and affordable with only minimal costs required for subject resources at school.

Compass:

As we become more accustomed to this system more staff are placing comments about students on the chronicle section of Compass. A number of parents are also using Compass to contact teachers to make enquiries about their son or daughter.

Your log on details and password were posted out during term III. The website is baimbridge-co.vic.jdlf.com.au and can be accessed anywhere the internet is available. If you have forgotten or lost your log on please contact us to get your details so that you can see how your son or daughter is going.

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 please contact our front office on 55722788, so that you 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 John Hill and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant

Year 7 2014!

Interested in exactly what you get when you purchase your $100 JacPlus bundle from us to go with your Device in 2014?
Rocket ‘n’ Roll

After you’ve read this you will wish that you were there!

Where? At the prep to five ‘SKYWATCH’ sleepover of course!

Our fun began at 3.30pm on the first day of November, deep into the Spring!

For the first time in weeks the clouds parted! ALL SYSTEMS GO for our long-awaited star watching night!

Mr Hill set the balls rolling in the West Gym with fantastic rocket games. (Watch out Miss Cogger!). Thanks Mr Fisher for supplying the equipment needed.

Then Mr Knape fired up the ‘Barbie’. We had sausages and jelly and ice-cream. Some of us quite accidentally had extras, but this is not generally known!

Mr Ramsay set up his air compressor after tea. We used it to launch our water bottle rockets. This was the best fun. We were safe in the cricket nets. We needed to be, as rockets were blasting off in all directions. Some we even lost sight of. Water sprayed all over us! Even our teachers were squealing and running for cover! There’s a picture of us with our water bottle rockets above.

Mr Peter Stewart gave a presentation about Space and Telescopes. He told us how they work and he showed us three different types of telescopes.

Mrs Dempsey spoiled us with a movie in the gym. It was called ‘Space Buddies’. The cushions were a great idea.

We went in groups onto the oval to look through a telescope.

It was pointed at Venus, the evening star. We could see it moving quite quickly. It felt like we were not so far away from space after all… so close in fact!

Sleeping in our classrooms was cosy and safe. It was so easy to sleep after the BEST NIGHT!

Prep to five students would like to thank all the people involved in providing us with special memories of a school night, rockets and stars!

Thanks to all the parents for allowing your children to stay and students well done on making it a great fun night.

N.B. Thanks to Ms Dittrich and Mrs Peters for their work in arranging this special night from Mr Hill
Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition
We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional music tuition to students starting in Term 1, 2014. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition. Music Stars provides:

- Group music tuition (3-5 students)
- Caters for Years 1-7
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- $11 per lesson, per student ($110) per term (includes music books)
- 70% less than out-of-school lessons + family discounts available
- End of year reports and certificates

Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons

Registrations Close 30th November 2013
If you would like your child to participate in Term 1, 2014 please register your interest online by visiting www.musicstars.com.au Payment is not required until lessons commence next year. If minimum numbers aren’t reached the program will not be able to run so please register your child ASAP.

More Information
If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below. Please do not call the school.

Phone: 1300 889 179
Email: info@musicstars.com.au
Web: www.musicstars.com.au

We hope you can support this program.

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Graphical CAS Calculators

Students going in to Year 10 Advanced Maths, Year 11 General Maths, Year 12 Further Maths or Year 11 or 12 Mathematical Methods must have a Texas Instruments TI-nspire CAS calculator.

Students can buy one second hand – students not continuing with maths may be pleased to sell theirs on, or buy one new.

Baimbridge College, through Haines Educational, are offering the TI-nspire CX CAS calculator for $185.

Order forms are available from Mrs Clark, Mr Dempsey or the General Office. Orders must be finalised by November 25th.

For more information contact Mrs Jenny Clark.
Rural Bank joins Community Bank network to offer agribusiness scholarship to local students.

The scholarship will support one local student with the costs of higher education in the agribusiness field. Eligible applicants will have their home address in the Southern Grampians Shire, or alternatively, any applicant can be eligible if they are undertaking their secondary education at Casterton College.

Coleraine Community Bank Branch Chairman Coralie Coulson said supporting students towards tertiary study was part of the branch’s commitment to building a stronger Coleraine & District community. “The high cost associated with tertiary study can have a significant impact on a young person’s ability to further their education and some may not get the chance to achieve their academic dreams without help,” Coralie said.

Successful Coleraine Community Bank Agribusiness applicants will receive funding for their first year of study in an agri-business related undergraduate degree at an Australian university. The scholarship may be extended to a second year, if academic requirements are met.

Applications are invited from eligible students, starting their studies in 2014, from Monday 2 December. Applications close on 24 January 2014 and will be assessed in early February 2014.

A Scholarship to work in Agribusiness when I graduate?

Rural Bank has asked that you show in your application, how the undergraduate course you are applying for, will help you work in Agribusiness.

So, undertaking a science degree may lead you to a range of suitable occupations, or an agribusiness science degree... or studying hydrology, or botany, or environmental engineering..... or economics or commerce or business ... or marketing....

Maybe you want to work as an accountant in assisting agricultural enterprises in the future, or an economist and plan to work for ABARE, or want to work as an agronomist, or a Rural Banker.....

So, the choice of undergraduate University course is relevant, but in your application you need to show how you will use that course to end up working in the agribusiness field.

If you want to study in other fields (nursing, speech pathology, teaching etc..) then apply for a Bendigo Bank Tertiary Scholarship, that is, not a Rural Bank Scholarship... just ask at your local branch for details.

For further information, please contact the Coleraine & District Community Bank branch or visit www.bendigoadaide.com.au/scholarships.
ST MARYS XMAS EXPO
Saturday 7th December
Expo in the PAC from 9.30-3.30pm.
With the Parade along Gray Street from 10.30am.
Pre purchase ride wristbands from St Mary’s Primary School.  1=$15  2=$25  3=$40
Or $20 each on the day
Lots of new and exciting traders this year including many local traders, petting zoo and Santa’s Fun land

CANTEEN 2013  Term 4

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