Upcoming Events

Thur 7th & Fri 8th November
Poppy Selling in CBD

Monday 11th November
Remembrance Day
Yr 7 to Cenotaph
10.15 - 11.45

Tuesday 12th November
Grade 6 transition evening @ PAC

Wednesday 13th November
LAST DAY YR 11s

Fri Nov 22
GD DISTRICT TRIATHLON

Fri Dec 6
LAST DAY YR 10s

Principal’s Notes

Poppy Selling and Remembrance Day:
Baimbridge College students are selling poppies for Remembrance Day today, Thursday 7th and tomorrow Friday 8th November in the Hamilton CBD. As usual students will need to have returned permission slips that are available from our assistant principals and they will need to be in full school uniform in order to be allowed to represent Baimbridge College publicly. This is a community service that we take on every year and are proud to do so. Remembrance Day is on Monday 11th November and Year 7 students will attend the ceremony held at Melville Oval along with selected school leaders for 2014. The whole school will observe a silence as a sign of respect during the morning.

Hamilton RSL:
At School Council last week a letter was received from the President of the Hamilton RSL, Mr John Lowcock, offering two Baimbridge College students a Ted Kenna VC Scholarship. School Council gratefully accepted the offer. Year Level Co-ordinators will determine the worthy recipients in the next month or so and the winners of the scholarships will be announced at this year’s awards night on Thursday 12th December.

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. It will include the recommended supplier in Hamilton, the price of the computer and the information relating to 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.

7-10 Exams:
I have had some excellent feedback about the manner in which our students have approached the examination period that finished last week. As we all know this is great preparation for the number of formal assessment processes we all face in our lives. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 7-10 students on their preparation for, and conduct in the exams held recently.
Italian Visitors:
I have just heard that there are 12 students from Italy waiting 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.

Canteens:
School Council has been trying to decide whether to retain two canteens at Baimbridge College into the future. Unfortunately the lack of parents able to work in the canteens has made it extremely difficult to operate the two we currently have. This has also made it difficult to retain the quality of food that we all want for our students. Parents will be aware that each newsletter this year has been looking for assistance but unfortunately families have become too busy and the numbers of helpers just are not there. This is not to say that we do not appreciate those parents and family members who are able to make the time to support us providing food for our students. A sub-committee of School Council will be meeting before the end of the year to determine how to proceed in 2014.

Compass:
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 Co-ordinators.

GRADE 6 TRANSITION

Even though your child may be attending their chosen Secondary School in Baimbridge College it is important to be aware of the transition process they will undergo when being recognised as a Secondary student next year.

Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN is holding an information evening for parents and students on what to expect. We strongly recommend attendance at this evening to ensure you are well informed and prepared for next year.
PEER SUPPORT TRAINING

As part of a College initiative to address issues of bullying, a group of Year 9 students volunteered to undergo some training through the Stride Foundation, on 31 October.

This training showed these 17 young people how to engage with and assist younger students in positive ways, to gain their trust and to troubleshoot small problems. In this way, they will help to make school a safer place in the future.

The BullyStoppers initiative aims to target problem behaviours that cause concern to students and their families, to educate our school community about the issue and to ensure a school-wide approach to prevention.

The Peer Support leaders will be encouraged to help with the Year 7, 2014 cohort, by helping them to make friends, and by spending time with them regularly to assist in their transition. These new leaders in our school will also assist in a campaign to address cyberbullying this year.

On behalf of Baimbridge College, I congratulate these young people, and I hope that that they will become great ambassadors of our school through their work. Their efforts will be acknowledged at a future General Assembly.

Come to the West Office if you want an application form for the South West Academy of Sport.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

ARE YOU AN ASPIRING GOLFER?

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE SOUTH WEST ACADEMY OF SPORT/GOLF VICTORIA 2014 GOLF PROGRAM

ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAM

ELITE GOLF COACHING

EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY

SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY

MENTORING AND SUPPORT

TRAINING CAMPS

NUTRITION

SPORTS SCIENCE

FITNESS TESTING

APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE www.swas.org.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5pm December 13th

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT Ann Sissons 5564 8567

or 0400 076 469
**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](http://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

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.
Mark Byron, Kelly Sarena, Mae Udarbe and Sarah Kavanagh were invited to play in the Hamilton Cup Carnival (in a horse outfit!) They have done very well and received compliments from the crowd. Kelly and Mae’s pictures appeared in the Warrnambool Standard Newspaper Gallery on the 28 Oct 2013. Check it out!

Baptist Church Friendship Club

Some of our emerging young musicians made their first appearances with the senior musicians in public on the 16 Oct 2013, Baptist Church. They were invited to give a 45 minutes concert and received a donation of $50 from the Friendship Club. Participants were Yasmine Turner Sumner, Jessie Johnston, Julias Trotter, Nea Gordon, Airlie McIntyre, Lizzie Picket, Rikki Kilner, Nathan Asbury, Kyle O’Meara, Mark Byron, Sarah Kavanagh, Tracer Dohnt, Kelly Sarena, Chris Hauser Teasdale, Stephanie Granziera, Mae Udarbe, Mr. Peter Cheng and Mr. Johnny Chen. Congratulations to all!

For more information on the Music Stars Program please see the previous page.
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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