BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday May 28
Glenelg District Cross Country

Sunday June 1
Working Bee

Monday June 2
Hamilton Eisteddfod

Year 8 Bogong Camp

Monday June 9
Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday June 10
Primary Div Hockey

Year 11 Exams

Italian Students visit

Wednesday June 11
VCE GAT

June 16 - 20
Year 9 Careers Week

June 16 - 27
Yr 10 Work Experience

Friday June 27
END TERM 2

Monday June 14
TERM 3 STARTS

Friday July 25
General Assembly

Year 9's got into the spirit of the Pink Ribbon Day decorating EB6, more photo's next week.

Principal's Notes

School Tours :

As part of Education Week this week we held tours of the school on Tuesday. These were well attended and I must say that it was a pleasure to show prospective parents and students around the school and to go into a number of class rooms with our visitors to see what students and teachers were doing in their class. We were able to showcase our students and their teachers and the breadth of curriculum that our students are able to access. From the academic to the vocational our students were engaged and working well whenever we entered a room. Well done to everyone on the manner in which we put ourselves on public display on Tuesday. A special thanks is reserved for Mrs Bernie Cook who did the bulk of the organising for the day.

Congratulations :

I was informed last week of the granting of a very sought after scholarship to one of our Year 11 students. Congratulations to Charlotte Franks who has been awarded one of only twenty Wannik Education Scholarships nation-wide. This prestigious award will support Charlotte in her studies and represents recognition of her excellent application to her work. It is a pleasure to see one of our promising students rewarded for the time and effort that they put into their schooling. Congratulation Charlotte !

Bus Forum :

The Victorian Education Department bus forum held at Baimbridge College last Thursday made it clear that the DEECD's intention is to apply eligibility criteria quite strictly to students wishing to travel on school buses without payment. The DEECD has indicated that it will be using modern GPS style systems, such as Google Maps, to determine the closest school to a student's home. While there are some circumstances that allow a student to be exempt from attending their nearest school, in general the distance criteria will be used to determine eligibility. The DEECD will provide free bus travel to students who live more than 4.8km from school and are attending their nearest school. This means that there will be circumstances, particularly for Coleraine residents, where the long standing history and tradition of allowing free bus travel to Casterton Secondary or Baimbridge College is about to be overturned by the department of education. I intend to meet with the principal of Casterton Secondary College to establish an agreed treatment of students currently attending Baimbridge College that may live slightly closer to Casterton. The situation for new students is that the eligibility guidelines will be enforced. The arrangement for siblings wanting to follow their brother or sister from Coleraine is one that is not yet finalised.

If you have any concerns please contact:

PRINCIPAL:

Mr Robert Vecchiet

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

EAST CAMPUS:

Miss Rosemary Morgan

WEST CAMPUS:

Mr John Hill

P—4 CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr John Hill

MIDDLE SCHOOL YRS 5 - 8

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Scott McFadden

YEAR 9 & 10 CO-ORDINATOR:

Dr Chris Allen

Yr 11 & 12 CO-ORDINATOR:

Ms Lynn Collins

VET / VCAL CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Steven de Man

MYDEVICE & NET-BOOK

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mrs Kym Dempsey

STUDENT WELLBEING:

Ms Cath McGowan

Principal's Notes Continued

Scholarships :

Scholarship applications for students entering Year 7 in 2015 will close tomorrow afternoon. I urge prospective Year 7 students to get their application in to be considered for this very useful financial 'helping hand'. Applicants will undergo an interview and the successful applicants will be notified before the end of term II. Successful applicants will have their scholarships presented at our Awards Night on the 10th December this year.

School Council :

The next meeting of School Council takes place on Monday 26th May at 7.30pm in the Hamilton District Skills Centre. This will be the first meeting of our new Council and I look forward to having everyone together for the first time.

Baimbridge College Website (www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au):

I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a well maintained website. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a more comprehensive list of school information than it has in the past.

Compass :

Our online student management system, Compass, will continue to be used 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 by email, the Baimbridge College website or through our student management system Compass. To ensure you receive your newsletter please contact our front office on 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list or just log on to our website or Compass 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.

Visiting teacher Marilyn Stafford from New Zealand works with our Year 9C students. Ms Stafford hosted a professional development session with our staff during her visit to show them how they can use problem solving in their classrooms to make students think in a logical manner and also demonstrated during classes as pictured above.

Careers News

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 10 students are urged to finalise their work experience placements as the two week block for work experience is approaching quickly. Several students have not indicated what they have arranged and it would be a pity if they cannot do so before the time. Could parents please reinforce the benefits of the work experience program?

The weeks for work experience are June 16-20 and June 23-27. During this time, students will be required to complete a work experience diary for just one of their placements.

THE WOOL INDUSTRY OVERVIEW AT RIST

Several students have placed their names with Mr De Man to undertake this five day program looking at the Wool Industry.

YEAR 9 CAREERS WEEK

During the second last week of term 2, our Year 9 students will experience a program dedicated to future occupations and careers. The program will involve a mini-career expo, visits to local businesses and the study of related career curriculum. As our Year 10 students are on work experience, the elective subject blocks will be used to deliver this very valuable education.

CAREERS IN AGRICULTURE

The annual Careers in Agriculture Day will be on Wednesday August 13 where interested students will have access to information and practical demonstrations of wool classing, farm planning, dog and stock husbandry, agronomy, shearing, fencing and stock classification. This activity is open to students from Year 7-12.

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY INFORMATION SESSION

If any students in Year 11 or 12 are considering applying for a place at Melbourne University, this information session is for you. It will be running at the Hamilton Performing Arts Centre form 6.00 pm to 8.30 pm on Wednesday May 28. If you refer to last week's newsletter, you will see a registration website.

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY COLLEGES OF RESIDENCE

Representatives from St Hilda's and International House will be at Baimbridge College on June 26 and August 5 respectively to speak to interested students and parents about boarding at Melbourne University. These meetings will be at lunch time.

VICTORIAN TERTIARY ADMISSIONS CENTRE VTAC

Once again this is an important date for current Year 12 parents and students who wish to apply for university and other higher education places. VTAC will be outlining the application process at this meeting. It will be held at the Hamilton and Alexandra College on Wednesday, August 13 at 7.00 pm.

Wellbeing Report

In coming weeks, a troupe of actors will be visiting Baimbridge College to perform for students in Years 7, 8 & 9. The production is called "The Hurting Game", and it is about the harm that can be done when people bully others.

All students in these year levels and their teachers are invited to attend at no cost. It is hoped that this production will spark some interesting conversations at home and school, to raise awareness about the need for respectful relationships. Parents/carers are welcome to contact Ms McGowan for more details about the production if required.

Baimbridge College is also working with headspace-Warrnambool during term 2 & 3 to help improve the well-being of our students. Some small groups will be operating during the remainder of this term to assist with mental health problems such as stress and anxiety. As these are relatively common aspects of daily life, it is important to learn healthy responses before issues become serious. These groups are being offered to some students in the middle school this term, while the senior students will have an opportunity to participate in Term 3.

It must be emphasised that these groups are preventative in nature and are designed to educate and lessen the risk of mental health problems in the future. Students who participate will receive additional support from headspace if required. As this support in schools is a trial, it is hoped that evaluation of the program will lead to additional service provision in this area in the future.

Parents are encouraged to contact Ms McGowan for more information about headspace or to go to www.headspace.org.au for interesting fact sheets.

GSSA CROSS COUNTRY

FAWTHROP LAGOON, HOOD ST, PORTLAND
WEDNESDAY 28TH MAY 2014

No iPods / earphone electronic devices allowed
No 'spiked' footwear allowed. Footy boots are OK

There will be NO canteen, bbq or soft drinks available.]

Toilets at start / finish line.

17/20 boys 5.2km	10.30
17/20 girls 3.2km	10.45
15/16 boys 5.2km	11.00
15/16 girls 3.2km	11.15
13/14 boys 3.2km	11.30
13/14 girls 3.2km	11.45

12.30 Presentations.

RUBBISH AWARENESS BBQ.
BAG FOR A SNAG.

VCE OUTDOOR ED

TRADE A BAG OF RUBBISH FROM THE SCHOOL FOR A SNAG AND A DRINK.

May 30 West Covered Way 1pm.

Water Saving

Last week we were lucky enough to have Kristy from Wannon Water drop in to give us some wonderful items to help us in the garden. With a load of goodies ranging from slow release watering stakes to tap timers our garden should be well hydrated in the holidays. Pictured is Mr Knape, accepting the products on behalf of Mrs Shewell the groundskeeper.

Junior school students with a selection of the water saving products donated to the school.

Eat Healthy Get Active!

Confused about what to put in your child's lunchbox?

Parents/carers of children aged 3-12 years

Please join us to hear advice on:

- Preparing Quick, Fresh, Affordable Lunch Boxes
- Food Label Reading
- Australian Guide to Healthy Eating

May 28th 1–2pm

June 3rd 5.30–6.30pm

June 4th 10–11am

wdhs Western District Health Service

Hamilton Base Hospital, Education Centre
Kitchener Street, Hamilton

RSVP to Reception on (03) 5551 8349 by 26th May

Session to be run by Charles Sturt University 4th Year Dietetic Students Madeline Cox and Leesa van Ruiswyk, with Health Promoting Dietitian Jessica Nobes present

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE–BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

WORKING BEE

TERM 2 2014 YEAR 9 and 10
PARENTS/STUDENTS/FRIENDS/STAFF

Sunday June 1st.

Meet in front of the West Campusf or a Baimbridge Working Bee. All welcome to attend.

The College Building and Grounds Committee as part of the School Council will be running a working bee each term this year. Term 2 is Year 9 and 10 Parents/Friends and Students.

Time 9.30am till 12.00 midday. Free lunch provided afterwards to thank you for your work and have some fellowship afterwards.

Theme for this working bee is PAINTING of outdoor seats. Anyone who can bring an old roller or paint brush would be help us greatly.

Thank you in anticipation of you being there.

RSVP to hill.john.j1@edumail.vic.gov.au or 0419337769 or leave a message at the front desk. Numbers for catering and job allocations on the day needed by May 29th.

Thanks on behalf of Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Victorian Child Oral Health Survey

The VCOHS is a state wide dental survey that will help provide a snap shot of the oral health of children from across Victoria. The Survey will collect dental data from around 6,000 children aged 4 to 14 years from approximately 150 schools.

A team of researchers from Dental Health Services Victoria (DHSV) will soon be inviting a random selection of parents to take part in the Survey. The Survey will consist of a questionnaire and a basic dental examination for your child at the school by a trained and qualified dental team.

More information will be sent home by the school principal in the coming weeks.

For more information about the Victorian Child Oral Health Survey contact a member of the VCOHS research team on (03) 9341 1785 or email vcohs@dhsv.org.au

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The Bronze Medallion and Star Awards are being held at HILAC on Sunday 25th May and Sunday 1st June 9.30-4.30pm. Places are limited so enrol now so you don't miss out. Open to all secondary students. Contact HILAC for more details.

Canteen Roster
Term 2 2014

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

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
May 12 – 16	12 Lynette Purvis Tracey Sartain	13 Lisa McIntyre	14	15 Kate Mibus	16 Jo Bennetts
May 19 – 23	19 Nicole Teasdale	20 Lyn Battista	21 AM – Dianne Evans PM –	22 Sally Wheeler	23 Janelle Tooley
May 26-30	26 Carol Titcombe	27 Genevieve Lambert	28 Leanne Warburton	29 Lyn Duncan	30 Jenny Leigh
June 2-6	02 Phyllis Speirs	03 Gill Hiscock	04 Glenys Downes	05 Val Peters	06
June 9-13	09 Queens B'day Long Weekend	10 Kerry Goodman	11	12 Lynette Purvis & Kate Mibus	13 Aileen Broadbent
June 16-20	16 Phyllis Speirs	17 Vicki Kearney	18 AM- Dianne Evans PM –	19 Lyn Battista	20 Janelle Tooley
June 23-27	23 Kerry Price Tracey Sartain	24 Genevieve Lambert	25 Kym Wood	26	27 Jenny Leigh

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP IN ANY WAY PLEASE CONTACT ADIE.
IF UNABLE TO COME ON ALLOCATED DAY,
PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT

We thank you most sincerely for your support to the Canteen.
Many gaps to be filled if you can help!