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Upcoming Events

June 16 - 27
Yr 10 Work Experience

June 23 - 26
Year 9 Camp
Non attendees required @ school.

Friday June 27
END TERM 2

Monday June 14
TERM 3 STARTS

Friday July 18
2015 Enrolments Due

Thursday 24 July
Glenelg Dist Senior Girls Football

Friday July 25
General Assembly

Monday 4 August
Sheepvention
Student Free Day

2015 Leadership Applications

Tuesday 12 August
Yr 7 & 8 Football

Monday 8 August
Long Tan Commemorative Service

Minister Dixon, Charlotte Franks and Mr Vecchiet in Melbourne yesterday

Principal's Notes

Welcome :

Last Saturday morning the first two of our Italian visitors arrived in Hamilton after a very long flight from Italy. Alessandro Vatta and Andres Espinosa landed in Melbourne at about 6.30am and then were driven to Hamilton and arrived at 11.30am Saturday morning. They were welcomed by their host families; Alessandro by Tricia Carter and her mum Sonya and Andres by Adie and Wayne Stiff who will look after him until this weekend when Andres will move in with Chloe and Eliza Mibus and their family. The boys caught up on their sleep over the weekend and surprisingly got up on time on Sunday morning to watch Italy play England in the World Cup. The boys are taking their place in Year 11classes and are settling in to our Australian accents and our school program. Please make them feel welcome and speak slowly while they tune in to our brand of English. Photo page 3

2013 VCAL Achievement Awards :

I had the pleasure of attending the annual presentation of VCAL Achievement Awards at Federation Square in Melbourne on Tuesday this week. 2013 Baimbridge College Year 12 student, Tyler Hards was awarded with the VCAL School-based Apprentice Award by the Minister for Education the Hon Martin Dixon at the ceremony. Over 22,000 students across Victoria study VCAL each year and Tyler was selected out of these students for his award. This is a fantastic reward and recognition for his work and while we all felt he deserved the recognition it is heartening to have DEECD officials agree with our opinion. Tyler was supported at the awards ceremony by his mum and dad, Sue and Glenn Hards, Baimbridge College VCAL Co-ordinator Mr Steven De Man and his sister, past student Sabrina made it to Federation Square as well to celebrate his award. On behalf of everyone at Baimbridge College congratulations Tyler ! Photo page 3

Wannik Education Scholarship :

This week also saw the presentation of Wannik Education Scholarships that were announced earlier this term. Year 11 Student Charlotte Franks was presented with her scholarship by the Minister for Education, the Hon Martin Dixon at a special ceremony in Queen's Hall Parliament House on Wednesday this week. At a presentation ceremony that included members of the local aboriginal community, Charlotte had the honour of receiving her scholarship from the Minister for Education himself. The scholarship provides funding to support Charlotte's education for the next two years and I know that she will make the best of the opportunities ahead of her. The award is appropriate recognition of Charlotte's excellent school work and potential for future success. I was honoured to be present to share the event with Charlotte and her dad Josh and proud that the Minister for Education presented two Baimbridge College students with awards this week. Photo's page 3 and above

Principal's Notes Continued

Legacy Junior Public Speaking :
Last Wednesday, four Baimbridge College students participated in the Legacy Junior Public Speaking competition run by Hamilton and District Legacy. Katherine Granziera, Nea Gordon, Kayla Showler and Gabriel Corbidge participated in the event under the watchful eye of Baimbridge College English Co-ordinator Mr Peter Hodkinson and Assistant Principal Miss Rosemary Morgan. Our students acquitted themselves well and will all have learnt a lot from the experience. I would like to compliment all four of them for putting themselves forward to represent our school and congratulate them on their performance.

Greater Western Region Cross Country :
Our cross country team performed wonderfully in the regional finals last Friday while most students enjoyed a pupil free day and teachers were busy completing semester reports. Outstanding performances on the day came from Jackie Barker who has made it to these finals every year since she enrolled at Baimbridge College. Jackie finished 3rd in the senior girls and the senior girls team of Mikayla Beavis, Jackie Barker, Jacquie Robinson and Stevie Pevitt - Holmes finished 2nd on the day. Beck Langley finished 7th in the 16 yo girls in a performance she and all other members of the team can be proud of. Well done to all competitors and I would like to thanks Mrs Jen Macarthur for making herself available to organise and oversee the team's involvement in the regional finals.

Year 9 Classes Term III :
As a follow up to my article last week about changing student groupings for Semester 2, we have had teacher meetings to discuss the possibilities. After discussions within the school it has been decided to make minimal changes to classes. I would encourage parents who have concerns to please ring me or Miss Morgan, Mr Allen, Mr Hill or Ms Kelly.

End of Term :
The last day of term II is Friday 27th June. Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm with semester I reports distributed at about 2.20pm on that day. Year 10 students on work experience can collect reports from the front office at the end of the day, 2.30pm. Year 9 students who are returning from camp on the previous night will be given their reports on arrival at Baimbridge College before they go home. Please note we cannot give reports to anyone other than the owner unless we have written permission from a parent.

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.

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.

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 & NETBOOK CO-ORDINATOR:
Mrs Kym Dempsey

STUDENT WELLBEING:
Ms Cath McGowan

Photos Clockwise from Left:

Italian visitors Andres Espinosa (L) and Alessandro Vatta .

The 17 - 20 Girls Relay Team

Mr Vecchiet, Mr deMan, Minister Dixon & Tyler Hards in Melbourne.

Minister Dixon, Charlotte Franks & Josh Franks in Melbourne.

Minister Dixon & Wannik Scholarship recipients (incl Charlotte Franks front row)

To the Baimbridge College community,

I am writing to acknowledge the tremendous amount of support given to myself and my family during my illness.

I would like to sincerely thank staff, students and parents for their love, best wishes, meals, baking, flowers and gifts. I appreciate it immensely during this difficult time. It is truly uplifting to witness the human spirit alive and well.

I would like to thank the SRC for organising and holding a casual dress day in my honour. It is with the help of our funds that adequate research can take place which ultimately helps people like me. Thank you also to Mrs Kelly's year 9 group who decorated their wall in pink in Mrs Kelly's room. Pink is fast becoming my favourite colour!

If there is something I have learnt so far on my journey that I would like to share, it is this – be present. Take note of the little things in life, they are often the most important but usually overlooked. It could be a smile from a stranger, the falling of an autumn leaf or a kiss from a child. And as Supertramp once sang – take the long way home – even if you think you don't have time!

The love for my family is closely followed by the passion I have for my work at Baimbridge College. I look forward to working with my students and our fantastic staff again soon.

Best Wishes to you all,

Lisa Kyle

Year 9 / 10 First Aid

Mrs McArthurs year 9/10 First Aid elective group recently received their CPR certificates from Mr Vecchiet

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Congratulations to all Cross Country runners who gave up their day on Friday 13th to represent Baimbridge College with pride. Special mention to Jackie Barker who finished 3rd and then supported Mikayla Beavis, Jacqui Robinson and Stevie Pevitt-Holmes in the teams event finishing 2nd.

Rebecca Langley also ran extremely well and placed 7th. Jackie Barker and Rebecca Langley will now compete at the state finals in Melbourne on Thursday 17th July.

Other results:

Daniel Battista 13u boys 27th/81
Daniel Turner 15u boys 21st / 72
Liam Griffiths-Napier 16u boys 35th / 59
Sinead Lambert 13u girls 49th / 69
Nea Gordon 13u girls 54th / 69
Nikita Ansell 14u girls 42nd / 71
Danielle Vankalken 16u girls 22nd / 62
Jacqui Robinson 17-20 girls 29th / 37
Stevie Pevitt-Holmes 17-20 girls 32nd / 37
Scott Nippress 14u boys 24th / 72
Toby Walter 16u boys 29th / 59
Lachie McIntyre 17-20 boys 14th / 49
Sophie Robinson 13u girls 34th / 69
Abbey Jones 14u girls 41st / 71
Jenna Loats 15u girls 21st / 62
Bec Langley 16u girls 7th / 38
Mikayla Beavis 17-20 girls 26th / 37
Jackie Barker 17-20 girls 3rd / 37

A BIG thankyou must go to Lauren Dennert, Danielle Vankalken and our 2 student teachers Mr Matt Waters & Mr Tait Niddrie for helping on checkpoints.

INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose - No. 1 parenting educator

Teen Friendships

"Adolescents need friends, and parents need to encourage these relationships"

Having a supportive group of friends is important for an adolescent. Peer groups help teenagers learn to negotiate relationships and make the journey from childhood, where they are reliant on parents, to adulthood, where they need to stand on their own two feet.

Peers give young people a sense of belonging, and an increased sense of self-confidence. They also provide young people with testing grounds for attitudes and values outside their family at a time when young people are trying to define their identity. Most modern teenagers are incredibly supportive of each other; however they can be judgemental and the cause of heartache when conflict or alienation occurs.

Resisting peer pressure

Teenagers need to learn to deal with peer pressure. We all experience some degree of pressure to conform to the behaviours and norms of our social groups, yet this pressure is heightened in adolescence, when wanting to fit in and belong is paramount. Ostracism is unthinkable, which makes teenagers susceptible to being overly influenced by their peers, who don't always make wise choices.

Parents can **help** young people deal with peer pressure by being open and frank about the subject. Let them know that while much of the influence of their friends is positive, some of it is not in their best interests.

Help young people **resist** peer pressure by giving them strategies to say no, while saving face. For instance, saying 'No, not now' is a simple face-saving strategy that all young people can learn when they are pressured by peers to engage in behaviours that aren't in their best interests.

Young people who are heavily reliant on the approval of others are particularly susceptible to peer pressure. In adolescence, adult approval is often replaced by peer approval. Help young people become self-sufficient and not dependent on others for their self-esteem.

Where do parents fit in?

Get to know your children's friends and take an interest in their lives. Make them **welcome** in your home. Enquire about their well-being, their learning and their relationships without being too nosy. Provide space and privacy for your teenager and friends in your home. Set some house rules regarding what's acceptable in your house, but don't be too heavy-handed as you want your home to be a welcoming place for young people.

Keep some **food** available and encourage them to make their own snacks and clean up their own mess. Be firm about your views about acceptable videos, alcohol use and sexual activities at home.

Negative Influences

It is common for parents to disapprove of their young person's choice of friends, because of behaviour, poor reputation or the adverse influence they have on their teenager. Young people take criticism of their friends personally so you need to be careful how you handle these issues. If you have worries about your child's choice of friends, check that your concerns are real. Try to get to know the friends you're worried about. Discuss your concerns with your young person, but talk about the behaviours that worry you, rather than the character of their friends. **Discuss** the immediate and long-term consequences of their behaviours that may concern you. It also helps to promote diversity of friendships as kids do best when they belong to more than one friendship group.

It is important for parents to understand the value of peer groups for young people and also remember that peers can be positive influences.

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Kalebek and Omar Dean will be headlining the Caster Beat FReeZa event with Dj 'D Mac' and 'Best Of' at the Casterton Town Hall on Friday June 20, 7:30-11pm.

Ages 12-18. Tickets will be on sale for $15 at the door. The event is fully supervised, drug and alcohol FREE with no passouts.

athletics

Athletics Basketball Club

Juniors

Is your child interested in playing basketball next season?

2014 HJBA winter season begins Monday 28th July.

We are taking names for next season now.

Please contact Natalie 0421 849 424 as soon as possible.

Teams will be finalized first week of school holidays.

2015 Enrolments Due

FRIDAY

JULY 18

WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

wdhs Western District Health Service

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 11-18 YEARS OLD

$40 PER ACTIVITY

LASER STRIKE	ICE SKATING
Warrnambool Wednesday 2 July 10.00am – 5.00pm	Melbourne Thursday 3 July 08.00am - 09.00pm

GO KARTING & 10 PIN BOWLING	PAINTBALLING	BOUNCE INC
Warrnambool Tuesday 8 July 10.00am – 5.00pm	Mt Gambier Wednesday 9 July 8.00am – 5.00pm	Melbourne Thursday 10 July 8.00am – 9.00pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Bookings
> **In person at:** Frances Hewett Community Centre, 2 Roberts Street Hamilton. Monday to Friday 9am–5pm
> **Mail:** Youth Holiday Program, PO Box 283 Hamilton 3300
> **Phone:** 03 5551 8450 > **Fax:** 03 5572 5371
> **Emailed:** fhcc@wdhs.net
Cash, credit or debit card, cheques accepted. Cheques must be made payable to Western District Health Service.

Departure location
All activities will depart from and return to the Frances Hewett Community Centre, 2 Roberts Street Hamilton, unless otherwise stated. Please ensure your child is there 10 minutes prior to activity departure and collected at the time outlined in the program. Participants not collected on time will be taken to Hamilton Police station for collection. A written consent from parents or guardians is required for participants to make their own way home.

What to bring
> Healthy snacks
> Refillable drink bottle
> Covered toe shoes such as runners
> Comfortable casual clothing and a sun smart hat - WDHS supports Cancer Council Sun Smart Policy; children are required to have sunscreen and hat
> Spending money (Spending money is optional. It is up to the individual child to be responsible for their money).

What is included
> All main meals are included the program, please provide healthy snacks for children, please see food and drink policy.
> Activity admission, equipment shire and safety equipment for all activities
> Paintballing: 200 paintball included, additional 100 paintballs $22 pay on the day, optional
> Ice Skating: option to go shopping at DFO South Wharf
> Go Karting and Bowling: required to be 140cm tall
> Bounce Inc: Indoor Trampoline Centre

Supervision
WDHS staff, minimum of two staff per activity or ratio 1:10.

Cancellation and refund of activities
WDHS reserves the right to cancel any scheduled activity due to poor weather conditions or insufficient enrolments. As much notice as possible will be given. In such circumstances, a full refund will be provided. Only cancellations made a minimum of five working days prior to activity will be eligible for a refund.

Food and drink policy
Ensure that children bring food which does not require refrigeration or heating. Under no circumstance are energy drinks to be consumed or purchased. Children are required to bring a drink bottle with water. Please note: given the location of activity, food options are limited. If your child has specific dietary requirements please make prior arrangements with coordinator or, alternatively, ensure your child has a sufficient amount of food.

Gastro and diseases
Communicable diseases include: gastro, chicken pox, conjunctivitis, influenza, measles and shingles. If your child has any communicable diseases they should not attend any activity delivered by WDHS. If your child is identified with a potential communicable disease a parent or guardian will be required to pick your child up from activity location, or arrangements will be made at your cost.

Behaviour and conduct
Participants demonstrating unsuitable behaviour will be removed from the program and may be denied future access. Nominated parent or guardian will be notified to collect child, or arrangements will be made at your cost. Unsuitable behaviour includes:
> Refusing to follow instruction about conduct;
> Affecting the health, safety and/or welfare of other participants or staff;
> Causing or likely to cause damage of property
> Likely to bring the program into disrepute
> Bullying and harassment of other participants or staff
> Use of drugs or alcohol
> Personal hygiene is essential.

Program Coordinator: 0407 040 632

monkey baa theatre company

Pete the Sheep

Based on the popular book by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley

In *Pete the Sheep*, we meet a sheepdog with a difference. In that he is – errr...a sheep. And this just doesn't sit right with the regular shearers at the shed. Things are done a certain way, you see – and we can't go having things out of the ordinary. And ***Pete*** is definitely out of the ordinary.

Owner shearer ***Shaun*** insists ***Pete*** is just as good as any old sheepdog – if not better. While dogs go 'arf arf', ***Pete s*** imply goes 'baa baaaa', and the other shearers don't like it one little bit.

In the show you will also see and hear the Barbershop Quartet, this is a truly timeless Aussie tale – from the iconic lingo to the names, to the shearers' blue singlets.

So if you are aged from ***4 – 9 years old*** this is the show for you! So come and catch ***Shaun*** & ***Pete*** at **Hamilton PAC** on ***Tuesday 8th July*** at ***11am***.

For your chance to win a family pass (4 tickets) to this "bleatingly" ripper show which is a musical, and has sheep dogs and sheep acting in it, send me in your 3D model of ***Pete*** and we will display all the ***Pete's*** in our foyer. If you like you can also send in one of the colouring sheets of ***Pete*** or ***Shaun***.

It must get to the PAC by Friday 27th June by 4.30pm

Here are a couple of examples you may like to try or just go for it with your own!

Warm regards Simone McVicker
Publicity Officer

113 Brown St, Hamilton. Bookings: 5573 0429
Online Bookings anytime: www.hamiltonpac.com.au

Canteen Roster

Term 2 & 3 2014

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
June 16-20	16 Phyllis Speirs	17 Vicki Kearney	18 AM- Dianne Evans	19 Lyn Battista	20 Janelle Tooley
June 23-27	23 Tracey Sartain	24 Genevieve Lambert	25 Kym Wood	26 Kerry Price	27 Jenny Leigh

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
July 14- 18	Jul 14 Jody Golding	15 Kerry Goodman	16 Leanne Warburton	17 Sally Wheeler	18 Jo Bennetts
July21 – 25	21 Kym Wood	22 Gill Hiscock	23 Glenys Downes	24 Lyn Duncan	25 Kerry Price
Jul 28 -Aug 1	28 Nicole Teasdale	29 Vicki Kearney	30	31 Kate Mibus	01 Aileen Broadbent
Aug 4 -8	4 Carol Titcombe	5 Lisa McIntyre	6	7 Lynette Purvis	8 Jenny Leigh
Aug 11 -15	11 Phyllis Speirs	12 Lyn Battista	13	14	15 Janelle Tooley
Aug 18-22	18 Tracey Sartain	19 Genevieve Lambert	20 Leanne Warburton	21 Sally Wheeler	22 Jo Bennetts
Aug 25-29	25 Jody Golding	26 Gill Hiscock	27 Glenys Downes	28 Lyn Duncan	29 Aileen Broadbent
Sept 1-5	01 Kym Wood	2 Kerry Goodman	3	4 Lyn Battista	5 Kerry Price
Sept 8 -12	8 Nicole Teasdale	9 Val Peters	10	11 Kate Mibus	12 Jenny Leigh
Sept 15 -19	15 Carol Titcombe	16 Genevieve Lambert	17	18 Lynette Purvis	19 Janelle Tooley Jo Bennetts

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