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Our Vietnam / Cambodia travellers enjoying their trip on day 2, blog on the website for up to date info on the experience.

Upcoming Events

Nov 29 - Dec 14
Vietnam / Cambodia trip

Dec 1 - 5
Year 9 & 10 MYDevice returns

Friday Dec 5
yrs 8 - 10 2nd hand book sale - go to East Campus Office for directions.

Dec 8 - 12
Year 8 MY Device returns

Tuesday Dec 9

Orientation Day Grade 6

Year 7 2015 Information Evening 5.30 pm West Gym

Wednesday Dec 10

Awards Night PAC

Friday December 12

End Of Year Program Commences

Thurs December 18

Final Day of school for 2014

Friday Jan 30 2015

School Commences

Principal's Notes

Vietnam / Cambodia Trip :
Staff and students left last Friday night just after midnight from Melbourne Airport. Mrs Ward has already been sending back information and photos and these can be seen on the website. It is wonderful what we can do with technology and that we can be getting day by day reports and photos. Everyone seems to be having a great time and I am pleased that we can be sharing their adventure.

RISE program :
The girls are back from Melbourne University : Bec Langley Year 10, Eleanor Franks, Lizzie Pickett, Kate Klemettila and Jacquie Bunting all of Year 9 tell me they had a great time in Melbourne and it seems that their experience may have given them an appetite for further education. I am pleased that they have been inspired by their experience and that we may well be hearing about their tertiary education experiences in a few years.

General Assembly :
We had our final assembly with the whole school on Monday morning. The assembly was used to present Australian Mentor of the Year Mr Alan MacConachie to the school and Standing Tall Committee of Management chairperson Mr Phil Gillan. All students who participated in the Peer Support program were presented with badges by Mrs McGowan our Student Well Being Coordinator. 2015 Student Leaders were presented to the school as were SRC representatives and House Captains. The Junior House Captains have not been mentioned in my notes yet so I am pleased to congratulate the following : Bradman Mikayla Rice and Regan McKenzie; Cuthbert Taylor Hunter and Daniel Battista; Fraser Sinead Lambert and Jake Donehue ; Laver Courtney Sanders and Dylan Turner.

Last Newsletter :
This will be the final newsletter for 2014. Year 10 students have their Year 11 preparation program this Thursday (today) and Friday (tomorrow) and then finish for the year. Orientation Day takes place next Tuesday 9th December. Classes for students in prep – 9 will continue until the 11th December and after this the p-4 students will continue with classes but the 5 – 9 students will participate in a shorter end of year program. End of Year Program details have been sent home for parents to see and for students to sign up to.

The last day of school this year is Thursday 18th December and students will be dismissed at 3.30pm as usual. Reports will be distributed on that afternoon.

Merry Christmas :
I will be going on leave a little early this year and Mr John Hill will be acting principal from Monday 8th December. I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing students back at school on Friday 30th January 2015. Staff will begin the new year two days earlier on Wednesday 28th January.

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Principal's Notes Continued

Farewell :
A number of staff will not be returning for the 2015 school year for a variety of reasons. I would like to thank and farewell them on behalf of our school community. They are Mr Paul Schryver, Mr Darren McGarigle, Mrs Grace McGarigle, Miss Brylea Swanton, Mr Peter Hodkinson, Mrs Chelsea Carter, Miss Rhiannon Smith and Mr Paul Walsh.

Bus Scholarships :
Initial discussions have started for the move to centralised organisation of school bus travel in term II 2015. We will distribute information to parents as soon as it is made available by Public Transport Victoria (PTV). While the enforcement of eligibility guidelines for free bus travel will tightened up, School Council will consider offering special scholarships to students who would like to come to Baimbridge College but live outside our catchment. I therefore urge any family with students who would be new to our school to contact Mr Gilchrist or me before they make final enrolment decisions based on bus travel eligibility criteria.

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.

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

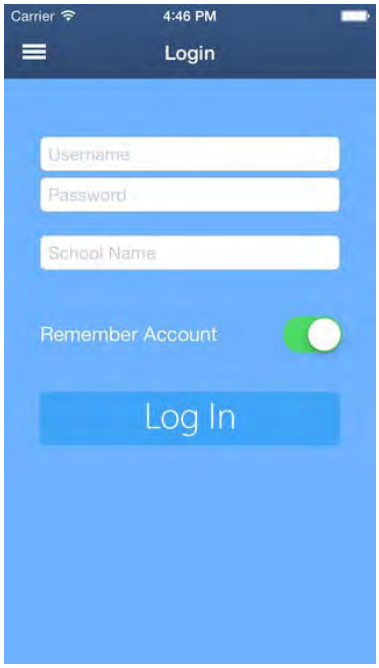
VET / VCAL CO-ORDINATOR:
Mr Steven de Man

MYDEVICE & NETBOOK
CO-ORDINATOR:
Mrs Kym Dempsey

STUDENT WELLBEING:
Ms Cath McGowan

Have you downloaded the COMPASS App yet?

We have to apologise to all Android users as we have been promoting the app and have only found this week that Compass has not yet released it in the android app store! So iPhone users please download the app, Android users we will let you know as soon as it is available!



RISE

Bec Langley, Lizzie Pickett, Eleanor Franks, Kate Klemettila and Jacqui Bunting returned on Friday full of amazing experiences that they encountered during their weeklong stay at Melbourne University. The girls learnt how science has such an impact on our everyday lives and came back with an increased passion for their studies. They all loved their short experience of life at a university. Kate and Jacqui both decided on a different career while Eleanor was a human crash test dummy for a day. Bec and Lizzie absorbed the atmosphere and involved themselves in all activities. These year 9 & 10 students are more determined to find themselves at a university after their time with us at Baimbridge College. All girls made numerous new friends from all over the state. A very big thank you to Josh and Sarah Franks for their contribution towards transporting our students to and from Melbourne

Baimbridge Bullets

For the past 10 weeks the Baimbridge Bullets (Back L-R Erin McLean, Kenz Sparrow, Caity Peters. Front L-R Danni Matthey, Grace Bennett, Jade Barker, Sophie Robinson, Elizabeth Goodman) have been playing in the Hamilton Junior Netball comp. Under the guidance of coach Kim Sparrow the girls have not dropped a game, often playing with fill ins (thank you Laura Robinson and Scout Graham!) or 6, the girls have performed exceptionally. Special thanks to Alice Keatley who helped us out by umpiring for us at times throughout the season. The girls play Monivae Sapphires at 8.30 on Saturday morning if anyone wants to come and support them.

GO BULLETS!!!!!!!

Important Netbook Information:

All Year 8, 9 and 10 students who have participated in the 1:1 Netbook Program at Baimbridge College will be required to return their netbook according to the schedule below.

Note:

There will be a $100 administration fee for students who do not return their device at the scheduled time. Students who know they will be away need to see Mrs Dempsey in advance.

Students must have backed up their device **PRIOR** to the lesson when they return their device.

POWER CORDS MUST BE RETURNED WITH THE DEVICE

Thank you to all the people who have provided feedback on the 1:1 Netbook Program, your comments help guide the future of the program. Again the program has been very successful and students are to be commended on the responsible way in which they have used and managed the devices.

Information regarding specific devices for each year level in 2015 is available on the website under the **BYOD Program** heading.

All students new to the program will be required to attend an information session providing the details of the program. A requirement of the program is that Parents/carers will also be required to attend this session. Both parents and students must sign an acceptable use policy.

The date scheduled for 2015 Information session is Tuesday December 9th 2014 at 6 pm in the West Gym.

Any questions about the netbooks can be directed to Mrs Kym Dempsey on 55722788

Netbook Return schedule.

Year 8		Year 9		Year 10	
8 A	**Monday 8th December Period 1 (RTH)**	**9 A**	**Friday 5th December Form Assembly (EMA)**	**10 A**	**Wednesday 3rd December Period 1 (GSH)**
8 B	**Monday 8th December Period 6 (JCO)**	**9 B**	**Monday 1st December Period 6 (RTH)**	**10 B**	**Monday 1st December Period 3 (SAM)**
8 C	**Monday 8th December Period 3 (FCO)**	**9 C**	**Thursday 4th December Period 1 (LLI)**	**10 C**	**Tuesday 2nd December Period 6 (SAM)**
				10 D	**Tuesday 2nd December Period 3 (GSH)**

Changes to the Secondary Schools Tax File Number Program in 2015

The Secondary Schools Tax File Number (TFN) Program will not continue beyond 31 December 2014. This means that School TFN forms will no longer be processed beyond this date.

How students can apply for a TFN from 1 January 2015

The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN.

Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

Applying online is the fastest and most convenient way for students to get a TFN. More information on applying online can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC27248'

Students who are unable to visit a participating Australia Post office will need to complete the application form Tax file number - application or enquiry for individuals form (NAT 1432). More information about lodging this form can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC22604'

The ATO will continue working with teachers to educate students about tax and superannuation. The curriculum resource Tax, Super & You is a free, easy to use, online educational resource aligned to the school curriculum of each state and territory.

This resource can be accessed at taxsuperandyou.gov.au

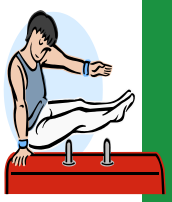
In the coming weeks we will provide more information by email on how students can apply for a TFN and the educational services we can provide. In the meantime if you require any further information you can phone **1300 130 282** between 8:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

Regards
Steve Vesperman
Deputy Commissioner of Taxation

SPRING INTO ACTION!

WANTED WANTED WANTED

BOYS AND GIRLS to join us at the Hamilton Gymnastics Club.



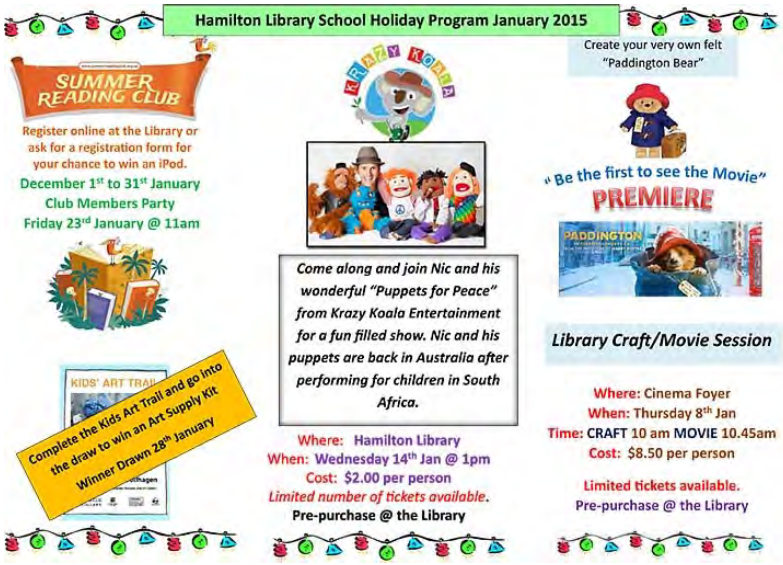
Tumbling, balance, trampolining, bars, bungee, vault and plenty of floor activities and exercises to enhance your co-ordination, balance, strength and fitness.....but best of all.... lots of fun and new things to try!

We have classes available each week to suit toddlers through to teenagers, both recreational and competition.

Kindergym – Fun Gym – Gym Skills – Competition Programs

Please come along and check out a class or contact the club on 0457719431.

Registrations for 2015 classes will be held on **Wednesday Jan. 28th** and **Friday Jan. 30th** (first week of term 1) **between 4-6pm** at the gym club.



Canteen 2015

We would like to thank all parents / grandparents / friends who have given their time in our Canteen this year, to those of you who have finished your time at Baimbridge we thank you wholeheartedly for your assistance, to those of you new to the school we ask that you consider helping, there are many places available to make a difference.

Term 1 January **Monday** 27	**Tuesday** 28	**Wednesday** 28	**Thursday** 29	**Friday** 30 Jenny Leigh
February 2 Jody Golding	3 Kerry Goodman	4 Leanne Warburton	5 Sally Wheeler	6 Kerry Price
9 Nicole Teasdale	10 Gill Hiscock	11 Lynette Purvis	12 Lyn Duncan	13 Aileen Broadbent
16 Carol Titcombe	17 Genevieve Lambert	18 Melanie Rhook	19 Lyn Battista	20 Janelle Tooley
23 Tracey Sartain	24 Val Peters	25	26	27 Faye Crawford
March 2 Phyllis Speirs	3 Lisa McIntyre	4	5	6
9 Labour Day	10	11	12	13
16 (am) Nicole Smyth (pm)	17	18	19	20 Dianna Evans
23 Kate Mibus	24	25	26	27

Please note that the Canteen will be closed as of Wednesday 10th December.

Students are to bring their own lunches for the end of year program.