BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

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Upcoming Events

Fri 21st March
GD Aths
Casterton

Sunday 23rd March
Working Bee

Wed March 26
Interim Reports Issued

Thurs 3rd April
Parent Teacher Interviews

Fri 4th April
Last Day Term 1

Tuesday 22nd April
Term 2 Starts

Wed April 23
ANZAC Badge Selling in CBD

Thursday April 24
ANZAC Assembly

Friday April 25
ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY

School Captain Alec McIntyre, Guest of Honour Carla Ward, Principal Robert Vecchiet, School Captain Stephanie Granziera and Councillor Paul Battista at the Investiture on Friday.

Principal's Notes

Student Leader Investiture :

One of the most important events of the year took place last Friday afternoon. Our Student Leaders Investiture took place in the hall on the east campus. The investiture involved the formal recognition of all of the student leaders who have been elected to their positions for 2014. Our guest of honour at this formal event was past student and 2008 School Captain Carla Ward. Carla went on to study at the Australian National University in Canberra after leaving Baimbridge College. She completed her studies majoring in Political Science and then went on to internships in America and Australia before taking up a position with the Australian Electoral Commission. Also in attendance was Councillor Paul Battista from the Shire of Southern Grampians. Officially recognised in the ceremony were School Captains Stephanie Granziera and Alec McIntyre, student leaders Tyler Fehsler, Darcy McCallum, Mikaela McCallum and Sophie Gilbert; Music Captains Mae Udarbe and Kelly Sarena; SRC representatives Chloe Wilson-Millard (president), Jake Burger (vice president), Eric Braedon(secretary) and Mark Byron(treasurer); House Captains Kyrra Leigh and Leah Williams (Laver), Jackie Barker and Kelsey Lester (Cuthbert), Cameron Delahoy and Rebecca Van Kalken (Bradman) and Maddison Elliott and Tom Fitzgerald (Fraser). Images from the day can be found on the website under the News tab.

Presentation Ball:

Practise for the 2014 Presentation Ball started last Sunday night. Thirty two couples have begun the process of learning the dances and protocols for this year's ball. Parents of the predominantly Year 11 group are meeting at the same time to prepare the decorations and table arrangements as well as ticket sales for the big night. The ball is scheduled to take place on Friday 2nd May. I would like to thank VCE Co-ordinator Mrs Lyn Collins for 'getting the ball rolling' for this year's big event. Updates will appear as required in the newsletter as will the dates for the sale of tickets. The next practise session takes place this Sunday night at 6.30pm in the hall in the east campus.

Mark Byron :

Our participant in the 2014 National Constitutional Convention, Mark Byron, has returned to Hamilton after taking part in the convention in Canberra last week. Mark will include a report of his experiences in next week's newsletter.

In the News :

Keep an eye out for an article in the Hamilton Spectator about Mr Shane Dempsey's trip to his mathematics conference in Las Vegas next week.

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

Principal's Notes Continued

School Council Elections :

It is that time of year when the tenure of three of the parent positions on School Council expire. Parents wishing to nominate for election can contact me for a nomination form. If we have more than the required nominations we will go to an election. The timeline for the election is as follows. Nominations open Friday 21st March and close at 3.30pm on Friday 28th March. Should an election be required this will be announced via the newsletter and ballots posted out.

Two of the staff positions are also expiring and these positions will be filled by nominees that are DEECD employees. There are also two community positions to be filled but these will not be filled until the new council membership is established and the new council meets for the first time.

Council positions have a two year tenure and half of the positions are opened up for new membership each year. Our Council has the capacity to have fifteen members; six parents, five DEECD representatives and four community members. Council meets a minimum of eight times per year.

School Council is responsible for policies that govern the operations of the school. The implementation of policies is the responsibility of the principal. More information about School Council can be found on the DEECD website.

School Council meeting :

The next meeting of School Council will take place on Monday 24th March in the HDSC dining room at 7.30pm. This next meeting is open to the public and we will present the 3013 Annual Report at Council at this meeting. The April meeting of School Council will be the first with the new council membership in place.

Italian Visitors :

I would like to remind everyone that we will again be hosting a visit from a group of Italian students this year. They are to arrive at the beginning of term III and stay with us for 2 months. I have begun asking Year 11 students in particular to host a student. The advantages are many fold and can often lead to the offer of a stay in Italy with the family of the student that has been hosted. Please consider the advantages for your family seriously. I am currently taking names of interested families. Financial support will be available to cover increased household expenses.

Important data for those interested in School Council

School Council Elections 2014

What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

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Who is on the school council?
There are three possible categories of membership:

A mandated elected Parent category. More than one third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not employed at the school.

A mandated elected DEECD employee category. Members of this category may make up no more than one third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

An optional Community member category. Its members are appointed by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DEECD employees are not eligible to be Community members.

The term of office for all members is two years. Half the members must retire each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is Parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

How can you become involved?
The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might seriously consider

standing for election as a member of the school council

encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?
No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

What do you need to do to stand for election?
The principal will issue a notice and call for nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

DEECD employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not employed are eligible to nominate as parents for the school council where their child is enrolled

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the notice of election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

If there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Contact the principal for further information.

VCE NEWS

STUDY AREAS: The VCE Centre has now been partitioned for students with a SILENT study area and a discussion/working alongside each other. The Library is also being used for private study by students.

School Assessed Course work is being assessed presently for the first outcome in both Year 11 and 12. Students requiring extra Maths tuition can see Mrs. Carter at lunchtime on Tuesdays and Ms. O'Brien is available Friday period 5 and 6. Students need to make contact with these teachers if are expressing problems with Maths with you at home.

Year 11 and 12 Form Captains are meeting this Thursday to plan the running of lunchtime activities for others in the school.

STUDENTS DRIVING CARS TO SCHOOL:
Students who wish to drive cars to school, first must complete the Baimbridge College car driving car agreement.
These may be obtained from Ms. Collins in the VCE Centre, before the student commences driving to school.

Year 12
The first of the Year 12's dress up days was conducted Monday 17th. The theme being come dressed as the first letter of your name - Ketuk, Sister, Zebra, Miley, Darth Vader, Whoopie Cushion, Einstein, Shrek and Snow White all made appearances with many more
characters throughout the day.

Lyn Collins
VCE Cordinator

Year 11 Families and Students

Baimbridge College and Lyndell Hammond, Presentation Ball coordinator welcome all parents; including those
without a participating student, to attend The Presentation Ball planning meeting.

When: Sunday 23 March 6pm - 7.30pm
Where: VCE Centre Baimbridge College

The 2014 theme is " Starry Nights" and we wish to extend a warm welcome to all to bring ideas, decorative paraphernalia to fit this theme

Parents with students participating your attendance is required, if work and family responsibilities permits.

Lyn Collins
VCE Coordinator

Lyndell Hammond
2014 Presentation Ball Cooordinator

HDSA ATHLETICS SPORTS RESULTS

A team of students set off to Pedrina Park to take part in the HDSA Athletic Sports on Tuesday.

It was a great day and our students should be proud of the fact that they gave it their all.

Special mention to Travis Scott for the following results in the Boys 12 Years age group:

1st in Triple Jump, coming equal 3rd in the High Jump, 2nd in the Long Jump and 1st in the 100m.

What an outstanding effort!

2014 National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Our school is taking a stand against bullying and violence in 2014

Our school has registered to be part of the 2014 National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence, being held nationwide on Friday, 21 March.

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (National Day of Action) is Australia's key anti-bullying event for schools. It's a day where school communities across Australia 'take a stand together' against bullying and violence.

Baimbridge College is dedicated to creating supportive school environments, free from bullying, harassment and violence. By working together we are sending a clear message to young people that bullying and violence, in or outside of school, are not okay at any time.

We have a number of programs and initiatives in place to counter bullying. These include our Peer Support Program and Supportive Friends, eSmart and BullyStoppers.

On Friday, we are asking all in our community to pledge to "Digital Detox" for a 48 hour period. This means that, like other initiatives, we ask our community to give up the use of social media (e.g.Facebook) for a short time to raise awareness of the difficulties that can arise from miscommunication in cyberspace.

Students will be asked to sign up for the "Detox" when Peer Support Leaders approach them in coming days.

The National Day of Action is an initiative of all Australian education ministers and is coordinated by the Safe and Supportive School Communities (SSSC) Working Group, with representatives from all Australian educational authorities.

The SSSC is also responsible for the Bullying. No Way! website which offers practical resources and information to help schools, parents and students counter bullying, harassment and violence.

Also available on the site is the Take a Stand app for Android, iPhone and iPad, to keep tips and advice on dealing with bullying close at hand, as well as The Allen Adventure iPad app, designed for children under 8 years.

Download these free apps now in the Student's section of www.bullyingnoway.gov.au
Please encourage your student/s to take the pledge to go without social media on 21st March!

Chemistry Trip to Bacchus Marsh Date: 4/3/14

Unit 1 Outcome 1- Materials and Bonding

Chloe Mibus

Our excursion to Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh was extremely fun and educational. I found the teacher we had fantastic because she summed up what we had learnt previously in class comprehensively which is making revision much easier. The pracs we did were well suited to what we were learning and were tonnes of fun. All in all I loved the experience and can't wait to go back.

Teah Coate

The excursion to Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh was an incredibly enjoyable experience. I enjoyed doing the pracs quite a lot, especially with the magic sand, which was just magic. It was so much fun and I am excited to go back.

Mitch Jackson

The chemistry trip to Bacchus Marsh was a lot of fun. We all learnt new things on top of what we have learnt in class on bonding. The hands on pracs were a lot of fun and I thoroughly enjoyed them all. It was a great day and I'm looking forward to returning later in the year.

Charlton Hall,

I found the excursion to Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh an exciting new experience. Venturing out of the class room can be beneficial for your learning and in this case it really was. I learnt a lot of new things at Ecolinc and I had fun doing so. I can now truthfully say I am looking forward to more chemistry and for the next trip to Ecolinc.

Jack Goodman,

Our excursion to Ecolinc was good because it allowed us to do things not possible at Baimbridge, we made models of diamond and graphite and also made some gold nanoparticles. Despite the early start the day went well. (The maccas wasn't all that bad either)

Sausage Sizzle

Sausages $1.50 Soft Drinks $1.50

March 28th

West Covered Way

Fundraiser for World Vision Australia by Yr11 VCAL

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BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE—BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

Sunday March 23rd.

Meet in front of the VCE Centre for 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 1 is Year 11 and 12 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.

Things you can bring along besides yourselves are Chainsaws, Whipper-snippers, Rakes, Brooms and your energy.

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 Mar 21st.

Thanks on behalf of Buildings and Grounds Committee.

OUT AND ABOUT IN OUR SCHOOL

Nth Melb footy players prepare to run the footy clinic

Aaron Glare, Leighton Craig & Travis Scott at the AFL Clinic

2014 Form Captains & Leaders after the World Day of Prayer.

Our T20 Cricket team 2014

Come & see our local little boy Tom Meade have his wish granted by the make a wish foundation. A truly magical night

Free Camping Available Childrens Amusements

Breakfast Available

STRICTLY NO BYO

ADMISSION

- Adult $20
- Children $10
- Pensioners $15
- Family (4) $40

nab AFL Auskick

NAB Hamilton Auskick will commence at Pedrina Park on Saturday 26th April at 9:00am concluding Saturday 28th June 2014. There will be no Auskick sessions on the Queen's Birthday weekend Saturday 9th June.

Go to www.aflauskick.com.au to register. All registrations must be online and no cash will be accepted. The cost is $65.00 plus credit card fees. All participants that register and pay online before Sunday 13th April 2014, are eligible for the AFL Gameday Club Connect offer of four free tickets to selected AFL games. Auskick packs will be delivered to your home addresses and no packs will be distributed at Pedrina Park.

April Holiday Program

wdhs Western District Health Service

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 11-18 YEARS OLD

$40 PER ACTIVITY

Activities offered are subject to availability, minimum numbers and weather conditions. Printed: 07/03/2014

Week 1	Tuesday 8 April 2014 **Luna Park Melbourne** 8.00am – 9.00pm **What's included:** Unlimited rides, lunch, tea La Porchetta. **What to bring:** bottle of water, hat, sunscreen, spending money (optional)	Wednesday 9 April 2014 **Fishing Charter Portland** 10.00am – 5.00pm **What's included:** Lunch, fishing equipment, fishing charter **What to bring:** hat, bottle of water, snack food, sunscreen	Thursday 10 April 2014 **Horse Riding & Shopping Warrnambool** 9.00am – 5.00pm **What's included:** Lunch, beach ride **What to bring:** bottle of water, sunscreen, wet weather clothing. spending money (optional)
Week 2	Tuesday 15 April 2014 **Adventure Park Geelong** 8.00am – 9.00pm **What's included:** Unlimited rides pass, BBQ Lunch, Tea La Porchetta. **What to bring:** bottle of water, towel, bathers, sunscreen, hat, spending money (optional)	Wednesday 16 April 2014 **Paintballing Mt Gambier** 8.00am – 5.00pm **What's included:** BBQ Lunch, 200 paintballs, (wavier to be competed) **What to bring:** Covered shoes, bottle of water, 100 paintballs $22 (optional, pay on the day)	

More details on posters around the school, forms at the West Office.

Come along and view the wonderful display of respect and remembrance from our many contributors to the Hamilton Library Poppy Project.

Where: Hamilton Library

105 Brown Street, Hamilton

When: 14th — 30th April 2014

Open: Mon to Wed 10am to 5pm

Thurs & Frid 10am to 6pm

Sat 9am to 12 noon , Sun 2pm to 5pm

U/12s Football 2014

Registration Days-Thursday 27th March
or Thursday 3rd April
@ 3.45pm – 5pm
Under Melville Oval Grandstand
Cost $25
For children in Grade 5 & 6
All players who played in last year's U/12 competition MUST re-register, if they wish to play again this year.
Contact Robbie Cook 0407712498

TERM 1 CANTEEN ROSTER

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
March 17 – 21	17 Jody Golding	18 Kerry Goodman	19 Glenys Downes	20 Kate Mibus	21 Kerry Price
March 24 – 28	24 Nicole Teasdale	25 Vicki Kearney	26 Kym Wood	27	28 Aileen Broadbent
March 31 – April 4	31 Carol Titcombe	1 Lisa McIntyre	2 AM – Dianne Evans PM –	3 Val Peters	4 Jo Bennetts

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
April 21 – 25	Apr 21 Easter Monday	22 Gill Hiscock	23 Leanne Warburton	24 Sally Wheeler	25 ANZAC DAY
April 28 – May 2	28 Jody Golding	29 Kerry Goodman	30	May 01 Lyn Duncan	02 Kerry Price
May5-9	05 Kym Wood	06 Vicki Kearney	07 Glenys Downes	08 Val Peters	09 Aileen Broadbent
May 12 -16	12	13 Lisa McIntyre	14 Tracey Sartain	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 Kerry Price
June 9-13	09 Queens Bday Long Weekend	10 Kerry Goodman	11 Tracey Sartain	12	13 Aileen Broadbent
June 16-20	16 Phyllis Speirs	17 Vicki Kearney	18 AM- Dianne Evans PM -	19 Lyn Battista	20
June 23-27	23	24 Genevieve Lambert	25	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!

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

EXTRA SCHOOL GROUPS ORDER FORM

Dear Parent, Student Name……Class……..

On recent school photo day several extra groups were taken. These groups can be ordered by returning this form along with correct payment to the school office by Friday March 28th - 2014.

Please indicate the groups you require from the list below

Student Leadership...Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

School Captains……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Music Captains……..Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Standing Tall……..Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Supportive Friends….Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Peer Support……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Senior Choir……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Concert Band……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Saxophone EnsembleQty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Stage Band……..Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Rock Band……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

House Captains…….Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

String Ensemble……Qty:……..at **$20.00ea**. = ……

Frank Monger MSP Photography Total……

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