



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

## Issue 1

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Year 7 students at their first General Assembly on Friday

### Upcoming Events

**Wed 4 - Fri 6 Feb**  
Year 7 Camp

**Tue 17 Feb**  
House Swimming Sports

**Wed 18 Feb**  
Grade 6 Transition Day

**PARENT INFO EVENING FOR YEAR 7 2016**

**Busting for a feed FREE BREAKFAST West Canteen**

**Thur 19 Feb**  
Yr 5 & 6 District Tennis

**Principal Tours 9.45am - 10.45am**

**BOOK ON 55 722 788**

**Fri 20th Feb**  
Immunisations 7 & 10

**Tue 24 Feb**  
School Photos

**Wed 25th Feb**  
New Parent Luncheon in VCE Centre 1pm - 2pm

**Thur 26 Feb**  
Glenelg District Swimming

### Principal's Notes

#### Welcome :

I would like to welcome everyone back to school for 2015. In particular I am delighted to welcome all of our new students to Baimbridge College. From our new prep students and our large group of Year 7s right through to the many students who have joined us in all the other year levels. I would like to welcome the families of these students to our community and trust that being part of Baimbridge College leads to a satisfying experience and a rewarding pathway in life.

I would also like to welcome back all of our 2014 students from their summer holidays and wish them a successful 2015.

#### Dux :

Congratulations to Taylor Kearney who was our dux of Year 12 last year. Taylor was closely followed by Sophie Gilbert. Both Taylor and Sophie have been accepted into their first choice of tertiary studies as were the vast majority of the class of 2014. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 12 from 2014 and wish them success in their tertiary studies, gap year or career as the case may be. It was very satisfying to see our students offered tertiary places in their desired field as well as our senior vocational students moving into much sought after apprenticeships and traineeships. Congratulations to all on a successful secondary education.

#### New Staff :

At the end of 2014 a number of Baimbridge College staff took leave from teaching for 2015. They were Mr Paul Schryver, Mr Colin Brown, Mr Paul Walsh, Mr Darren McGarigle, Mrs Grace McGarigle, Miss Brylee Swanton, Mr Peter Hodgkinson, Miss Rhiannon Smith and Mrs Cath McGowan. I would like to thank them for their contribution to Baimbridge College and the education of the young people of the district.

As a consequence we are pleased to introduce a number of new staff to our college to fill the roles that have been vacated. They are Miss Ilaria Badino (Italian), Mr Alan Thomas (technology), Mr John Sly (Humanities/English/Physical Education), Mr Baldev Josan (Mathematics) and I would like to welcome back Mr Ewan McDonald (English) and Mrs Sylvia McMullen (Science) and a very warm welcome back to Mrs Lisa Kyle (Mathematics). Also new to our college are Mr John Farley (cert II Automotive) and Ms Veronica Delaney-McSwain (cert II Hairdressing) and Mrs Mary Golding (cert II Hospitality).

#### Smooth Start :

While I was one of the people who doubted that starting the school year on a Friday was a good idea; I am pleased to say it was a great success again and we have enjoyed a very smooth start to the year. Once we got past our disrupted Friday with all its meetings and organisation information, classes went very well indeed when we began school in earnest on Monday.



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## Principal's Notes Continued

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

**Assist Co-ordinator:**  
Miss Olivia O'Brien

**YEAR 9 & 10  
CO-ORDINATOR:**  
Dr Chris Allen

**Assistant Co-ordinator:**  
Mr Steven Constantine

**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:**  
To be advised.

### **Awards Night :**

I would like to congratulate all the students who received awards or scholarships at the awards night at the end of last year. I would also like to thank the different clubs, organisations and individuals who make scholarships and prizes available to our students to support and encourage them in their studies.

### **Year 7 Camp:**

As I prepare this newsletter all of our Year 7 students are packing for their orientation camp at Norval Camp in Halls Gap. They are accompanied by their form teachers and year level co-ordinator as well as other staff who will guide them through introductory and team building activities in preparation for their membership of and study in Year 7 this year. Also in attendance to support our new students are student leaders and peer support leaders all of whom have the intention of smoothing the transition to secondary school for everyone in Year 7. They will have spent three days in Halls Gap before returning and we will have more information in next week's newsletter about their activities.

### **Student Computer Information :**

This year all we have further expanded access to 1:1 computers with Year 11 and 12 students having the option to be part of our school supported program. Any questions regarding the induction meetings or the program can be directed to Mrs Kym Dempsey. Along with the 1:1 computer program is the expansion of our online student management system Compass. There will be more information available to parents this year. Parents can log onto the system from the Baimbridge College website. This will also enable them to access their password. I can see a time in the future when student reports will be on Compass. Watch this space !!

### **Swimming Sports :**

The Baimbridge College House Swimming Sports will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February at Hughan Park. No classes will run on that day at school. No pass outs will be provided for students to leave the pool during the day unless they are with a parent. All students should come to school in the morning as usual and we will move to the pool as a group. Students should bring their lunch, sunscreen, a hat, a drink and should be in uniform unless they are competing in an event. I would welcome parents to attend to support students who are participating and if you can help with the organisation please contact Miss Cogger or Mrs McArthur.

### **Transition Information :**

In keeping with the trend set by other schools in the area, Baimbridge College will hold its Year 6 to Year 7 transition day early again this year, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. State Primary Schools in the area are aware of this arrangement and we are inviting all Year 6 students to attend a day of schooling at Baimbridge College to discover what we have to offer. This will be followed by an Information Night also on the west campus on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February and then a tour of the school during the day on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February from 9.45 - 10.45am, please call the College office to book. Alternatively if you cannot make this session please feel free to book a private tour.

We trust that aligning our transition information with other schools will enable parents to make a realistic comparison of educational settings for their children.

We look forward to welcoming Year 6 students and their parents to our school and showing them the wonderful opportunities that Baimbridge College has to offer.

### **Baimbridge College Website ([www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au](http://www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au)):**

I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a website thanks to the wonderful work of Mrs Jill Robinson. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a very comprehensive list of school information. I would like to thank Mrs Robinson for the excellent job she has done constructing and maintaining the new site.

### **Compass :**

Our online student management system, Compass, will be enhanced 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.

## Principal's Notes Continued

### 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 you can contact our front office on 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list OR just log on to our website 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 who are listed on the previous page.

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School Photos will be taken on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February. Students are to wear Summer Uniform, have their hair neat and tidy, girls to wear white or blue ribbons please. School jumpers must be worn in photos. If you do not have a school jumper one will be supplied for you. Family photos will be available, students will be given their photo forms to order online soon.

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## AN IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING TAX FILE NUMBERS

### 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](http://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](http://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](http://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

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# Regional Conferences 2015

Leadership | Action | Student Voice

VicSRC Regional Conferences allow students to network across schools, gain new skills, work together on common issues and define what really matters to students across Victoria.

- 1 day conference for secondary students and their teachers
- Take action on issues you care about
- Learn how to be more effective student representatives
- Free side PD for teachers



"I'm part of something bigger and together we're powerful!"



## REGIONAL CONFERENCE - HAMILTON

Thursday 26 March 2015  
8:45am-3pm (EST)  
Bairnbridge College | Hamilton, VIC

**Cost**  
\$35 per student for VicSRC member schools  
\$45 per student for non-VicSRC members

Register online by Friday 6 March [www.vicsrc.org.au](http://www.vicsrc.org.au)

**More information:**  
Fiona Campbell | [communications@vicsrc.org.au](mailto:communications@vicsrc.org.au) | 9267 3777



The VicSR  
(and act)



## G'DAY USA JANUARY 2016

LIVE WITH AN AMERICAN FAMILY



### Tour Highlights include:

- Disneyland
- Universal Studios
- Knott's Berry Farm
- San Diego
- San Francisco
- Stay with a host sister or brother
- Visit an American High School

You will stay with your host family in their home, get to know them, see their town, meet their friends and enjoy their favourite activities. You will probably try new foods, play new sports, see new places, have a unique experience and make lifelong friends!

"I wish all kids could have the amazing experiences EWT provides.

Travel truly is the best gift we can give

our kids!"

To find out more information contact:

Ms Ward OR Narelle @ EWT

Visit: [www.ewt.com.au](http://www.ewt.com.au)

Email: [info@ewt.com.au](mailto:info@ewt.com.au)

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## JACPLUS PAYMENTS DUE BY FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> 2015

### Dear Parents

It has been brought to our attention that some parents have not yet completed their purchase of the Jacaranda \$100 Digital Bundle for their child.

Parents are required to complete this transaction before **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015**. After this date, JACPlus will be deactivating student accounts where the Digital Bundle has not been purchased. To ensure your child has full access to the eBooks and resources they need for the 2015 school year, please visit the Jacaranda Parent Portal to make your purchase.

Before you begin, you will need the following:

- Your child's student number
- A valid credit card or pre-paid debit card

**More information on credit card payments:**

<http://jacplus.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/1778414-using-a-prepaid-debit-card-in-the-parent-portal.html#debitcredit>

To make this purchase, simply visit <https://parentportal.jaconline.com.au/bairnbridge-college>

- Select your child's year level
- Enter in your child's name and student number/email address
- Click Purchase and follow the prompts to complete the transaction.

You may have attempted to access the Portal already, but have not fully completed the purchase. If so, you may encounter one of the following problems:

- Cannot overwrite your child's name or email address
- Shopping cart is showing as empty, even though you have tried to add the \$100 Bundle

These problems can be quickly and easily overcome in one of the following two ways:

- Complete the transaction in a different web browser.

For example, if you usually use Internet Explorer , try using Google Chrome



or Mozilla Firefox



- Alternatively, you can clear the Cookies in your current web browser
  - Follow these instructions to clear the cache and Cookies – make sure you tick the box to clear the Cookies specifically:  
<http://jacplus.desk.com/customer/portal/articles/936785-how-to-clear-your-cache>

Many thanks,

JACPlus Team at Jacaranda Publishing



## EMERGENCY ALERT. BE WARNED. BE INFORMED.

If there is a bushfire, flood, severe storm or other major emergency near you, the emergency services may choose to warn you by text to your mobile or a voice message to your home phone.

**Emergency Alert** is the national telephone warning system. It uses the address where your phone is registered and the actual location of your mobile to reach you:

- when your home or school is near an emergency
- when you are travelling with your mobile near an emergency.

When the emergency services use the telephone warning system:

- a home phone within the warning area may receive a recorded voice message that begins with "Emergency, Emergency", and/or
- a mobile phone that is switched on and in an area of mobile coverage may receive a text message.

The service is free and you do not need to register.

**The warning message will tell you:**

- which emergency service sent the message: eg CFA
- about the emergency and where it is
- what you should do to stay safe
- where you can get more information.

All telephone warnings come from the official number:  
**+61 444 444 444**

**Example Text Alert**



**Talk to your child about the Emergency Alert system.**

If they receive a warning message on the home phone or a warning text on their personal mobile, encourage them to stay calm and show or repeat the message to a responsible adult they know, such as a relative or teacher.

If adults are not around, encourage them to follow the action given in the alert.


For more information about the system, visit [emergencyalert.gov.au](http://emergencyalert.gov.au) and watch the video (it's in 30 languages).

**In an emergency, do not rely just on your telephone for a warning.**

- Stay aware of your surroundings
- Listen to local radio
- Visit [emergency.vic.gov.au](http://emergency.vic.gov.au)
- Download the **FireReady** app
- Go to [facebook.com/cfavic](https://www.facebook.com/cfavic)
- Follow [@CFA\\_Updates](https://twitter.com/CFA_Updates) on Twitter



Starts Tuesday February 10 @ 4pm  
Hamilton PAC

More info: 



Rippleeffect: A community music program for teenagers aged 12-18 yrs old.

4PM - Tuesday the 10th of February at the Hamilton Performing Arts Centre for teenagers interested in current pop and rock, and can sing or play an instrument, (beginners welcome).

\$20 per participant for entire program. Culminating in an Ultimate Jam Session in March.

Please bring your instrument and some ideas for song choices.

2014 Rippleeffect band went onto to play at several gigs throughout the year and launched a band.

Further information can be found on our FB page, Ken Cameron at Hamilton PAC or ask your music teacher.



# Raising Teens

A program for parents of children in Years 6,7 and 8

## Topics include:

- Normalising behaviour
- Setting boundaries & building resilience
- Identifying at-risk behavior
- Communication
- Tips for maintaining a positive relationship with your adolescent

Date: **Thursday 12th February, 2015**  
 Time: **1—3 pm**  
 Venue: **St. Mary's PS, Hiller Lane, Hamilton**  
 Cost: **FREE!!!!**

RSVP by: **Monday 4th October 2014**  
 For enquires and bookings Contact:  
**Marea: 5559 3000**



# 1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching

Managing difficult behaviour in children



A Parenting program to create a more peaceful household, less arguing and fewer angry moments.

## St Mary's Hamilton

Great Interaction between parents

Easy to follow strategies

More Confidence

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program is an easy to learn, easy to use, down to earth parenting program to help parents gently and firmly manage the behaviour of children in the 2-12 year old age range. The program aims to help parents gain practical tips on how to get children to:

- stop doing the things that drive parents crazy like arguing, fighting, yelling etc.
- start to do things parents want children to do
- develop children's emotional intelligence

1-2-3 Magic provides parents with strategies to sort between different types of behaviour and use less talk, less emotion which lessens both parent and child feelings of emotional stress and helps children to understand and better manage their emotions.

Date: **12th, 19th, 26th February, 2015**

Time: **10—1 pm**

Venue: **St Mary's, Hiller Lane, Hamilton**

Cost: **Free (\$6.50 for workbook)**

(Sorry, no child care available)

For enquiries and bookings phone Marea on 5559 3000.



# PRINCESS DANCE SCHOOL



## Fun, Relaxed, Family Friendly Dance School

Tap & Jazz classes held in Hamilton 3 days a week.

Toddler to Adults, Boys & Girls.

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

Lizzi Heaney - 0488 289 987

Email: [prncss158@gmail.com](mailto:prncss158@gmail.com)

Princess Dance School



KNOWLEDGE  
 JUDGEMENT  
 FITNESS  
 SKILLS

# BRONZE RESCUE PROGRAM

## Bronze Star and Bronze Medallion



**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22 & MARCH 1**

**9.30AM - 4.30PM**

Enrol at HILAC Reception

For enquiries and further information please contact:

**Sarah Byron Swim Programs Coordinator,**

**Ph: 55514306 or email: [sbyron@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au](mailto:sbyron@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au)**



We want YOU! → Families BIG or small!



All you need is a spare bed and a heart big enough to share it with an international exchange student.

STS Student Exchange has students from all over the world who come to Australia to experience our amazing country twice a year – July and January. We are looking for volunteer host families to share their home with an exchange student. Students have their own spending money and medical insurance. All you need to do is welcome them in and treat them like your own son or daughter.

If you are interested in hosting an exchange student or would like any information contact Amelia – STS Local Coordinator for South West Victoria Phone: 0438 899 807

<http://www.sts-education.com/australia/hs/host-family/>

# Canteen Roster

## Term 1 2015

<a href="#">February</a>	3 Kerry Goodman	4 Leanne Warburton	5 Sally Wheeler	6 Kerry Price
2 Jody Golding	10 Gill Hiscock	11 Lynette Purvis	12 Lyn Duncan	13 Aileen Broadbent
9 Nicole Teasdale	17 Genevieve Lambert	18 Melanie Rhook	19 Lyn Battista	20 Janelle Tooley
16 Carol Titcombe	24 Val Peters	25	26 Anna Topia	27 Faye Crawford
23 Tracey Sartain	3 Lisa McIntyre	4	5	6
<a href="#">March</a> 2 Phyllis Speirs	10	11	12	13
9 <b>Labour Day</b>	17	18	19	20 Dianna Evans
16 (am) Nicole Smyth (pm)	24 Kerry Goodman	25	26 Anna Topia	27
23 Kate Mibus				

We thank you most sincerely for your help in the Canteen, the school could not provide such a great service for the students without the valuable donation of your time.

The canteen is always in need of volunteers as you can clearly see by the gaps in the above roster we are in need of more assistance. We are very grateful for all that we receive - if you can help out at any time please call Adie on 55 722 788

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

## CANTEEN

### HOT FOOD

Pie	\$3.30
Flavoured Pie	\$3.50
Nachos	\$4.00
Party Pie	\$1.20
Long Sausage roll	\$2.90
Half Sausage roll	\$1.60
Chiko Roll	\$2.20
Chicken Nuggets	\$2.10
Dim Sim (Term 2 & 3 Only)	1.00
Potato Cake (Term 2 & 3 Only)	1.00
Soup (Term 2 & 3 Only)	
Packet	\$1.50
Foccacias	\$4.50
Noodles	\$2.20
Croissant	\$3.50
Toasted Sandwich	\$3.50
Flaming chicken nibble	\$1.10
Calzone	\$2.00

### SWEET TREAT

Cookies	\$1.30
Banana Bread	\$1.10
Apple Scrolls	\$1.70
Hedgehog	\$2.50
Jelly Slice	\$2.50
Apple Slice	\$2.50
Vanilla Slice	\$2.50
Caramel Slice	\$2.50
Mint Slice	\$2.50
½ Slice	\$1.30
Muffins	\$2.50

Cutlery 10c      Sauce 20c

### SANDWICH

Assorted Sandwiches	\$3.50
Assorted Wraps	\$4.50
Roll to be ordered	\$4.50
Mini Wraps	\$2.00

### SALAD PACK

Small (salad only)	\$3.00
with meat	\$4.00
Large (salad only)	\$5.00
with meat	\$6.00

### DRINKS

Oak 600ml	\$2.60
Oak 300ml	\$1.40
Ice Break	\$2.70
Cool Ridge Water	\$2.00
Nippy's	\$2.00
Ice Tea	\$2.70
Fresha Juice Large	\$2.30
Small	\$1.50
Smart Water	\$2.70
Pepsi 450ml Assorted	\$2.70
Glo drink	\$1.00
Glee	\$1.50
Focus Water	\$1.50
Cup of Coffee, Tea	\$1.50

### TERM 1 & 4 ONLY

Fresh Fruit Salad	\$3.00
Jelly	\$1.20

## **ASSORTED DAILY SPECIALS CHECK BOARDS**