



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

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## Upcoming Events

**June 1 - 5**

Hamilton Eisteddfod  
Yr 8 Bogong Camp

**Monday 8 June**

Queens Birthday  
Long Weekend

**Wed 10 June**

Legacy Jnr Public  
Speaking

**Fri 12th June**

Pupil Free Day

**June 15 - 17**

Yr 9 City Experience

**June 15 - 26**

Year 10 Work  
Experience

**June 22 - 26**

Year 9 Careers Week

**Friday 26 June**

Last Day Term 2

**Monday 13 July**

First Day of Term 3



Mr Sly took part in the World Vision sponge throw fundraiser last week.

## Principal's Notes

### Premier's VCE Award:

In a letter I received earlier this year I had strict instructions from the Department of Education to keep quiet the fact that one of Baimbridge College's students from 2014 was going to receive a Premier's Award in recognition of their outstanding achievement in their study. I shared this secret with the whole school on Tuesday morning and made everyone promise not to ring the newspapers to reveal our news before Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The news is that Barbara Sealey, one of our School Captains, achieved the highest mark in the state of Victoria in Hospitality (kitchen operations) last year. As a consequence she, her family and I were invited to Melbourne for her to be presented her award by the Minister of Education, James Merlino, yesterday Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. This is an outstanding achievement and I would like to congratulate Barbara on behalf of everyone in our community on her achievement and her dedication to her studies. Barbara is now in Year 12 and we wish her similar success in her studies this year.



Barbara Sealey receiving her prestigious Premier's VCE Award



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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 EWAN MACDONALD

**Assist Co-ordinator:**

Mr Alan Thomas

**ACTING**

**YEAR 9 & 10**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr Steven Constantine

**Yr 11 & 12**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Ms Lyn Collins

**Assistant Co-coordinators:**

Mr Gerry Sheehan

Ms Lorraine Liston

**VET / VCAL**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr Steven de Man

**MYDEVICE & NETBOOK**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr Dean Banfield

**STUDENT WELLBEING:**

Ms Kelly Taylor assisted by Mrs Bernie Cook

At the ceremony we presented the Minister with a Hamilton and District Skills Centre windcheater as a memento of the education facility that helped her to her success. I am sure it will be worn with pride.

**Continuing Recognition:**

We all thought that the 2015 ANZAC Day commemorations were over with until I received an email on Monday this week. The email from the secretary of the Casterton RSL informed me that a Tasmanian couple had been in Hamilton on ANZAC Day and that they had been hugely impressed with the Baimbridge College student who delivered the public address (School Captain Jake Burger) at the ANZAC Day service at Melville Oval. It is very gratifying to get such positive feedback for the school and in particular for Jake who did such an excellent job on the day. The positive impression created by the likes of Jake, our ANZAC badge sellers and Music department was highlighted at the General assembly on Tuesday this week. The email is reproduced below.

*Hello,*

*My name is Rebecca McClellan, I'm the secretary of the Casterton R.S.L. Sub-Branch. Earlier this week, a couple from Tasmania called in to our small Sub-Branch on their return journey to*

*Tasmania. They had been in Hamilton on ANZAC Day and were able to attend the service held at Melville Oval. They were particularly impressed with the young man from Baimbridge College who spoke at the service. They commented on his demeanour and his sincerity. He spoke clearly, and with an impressive passion; they told me that they saw him as a wonderful ambassador for his school. Many positive things were said about the young man and they were sorry that they hadn't had a chance to speak to anyone to pay compliment to the young speaker.*

*I offered to pass on their thoughts, for which they were grateful, and I would also like to add my own, as the enthusiasm of the Tasmanian couple regarding his address was enough to make me disappointed that I'd not heard him. The R.S.L. and Australia's involvement in WWI is one of my passions, so I would like to thank him for displaying a maturity and decorum befitting the occasion. I also wish him well in his life's endeavours.*

*Best regards,*

*Rebecca McClellan*

*Secretary Casterton R.S.L.*

**General Assembly:**

Our Student Leaders organised our General Assembly last Tuesday morning. In a full agenda we heard from our well being team who introduced both our Peer Support leaders who have helped our Year 7 students settle in this year, and our Supportive Friends students who were trained to recognised stress in their peers and help them through it. We heard about the Year 12 Tertiary Orientation Camp, a general Sport report, a Presentation Ball

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report and then music from Jaz Hill, the junior school strings, Teah Coate and Mikaela Janicki and rock band SNG. I would like to congratulate our senior students on an upbeat assembly to round off the term.

### **Bogong Camp:**

Our students and staff left for the Bogong Camp at 8.00am on Monday morning and all reports so far have been very positive. I believe that they have hiking, rock climbing and mountain bike riding on the agenda for the week and I will be interested to hear about how everyone coped, staff included!



Year 8's smiling at the thought of Rock climbing at Bogong

### **EMA Substitute:**

The state government has created an alternative source of financial support called the Camps, Sport & Excursions Fund. Holders of Health Care Cards will be eligible for some funding. Information regarding this fund can be gained from our front office and on a

later page of this newsletter. Applications need to be handed into the East Office by 26 June. You will need to bring along your valid concession card when handing in your application.

### **Uniform:**

At last month's School Council meeting the concern about the misinterpretation of the wording of some of the uniform policy was addressed.

School Council has replaced the term 'set' when mentioning ear rings and replaced it with 'a maximum of two studs or sleepers in the ears (no spacers, spreaders or bars)'. This should make our long standing policy clear – that the only visible piercings acceptable at school is two studs or sleepers in the ears.

### **Mobile Phones:**

The information sheet that accompanies every student's enrolment form makes it very clear that we do not accept students using mobile phones at school. We understand that they may be valuable to parents and students before and after school but they are not required at school. Messages to students can be delivered by contacting reception on 5572 2788. We clearly do not want students texting or being distracted from their classes by phones. Should a student need to make a phone call they can come to the office of assistant principal to ask to use the phone. Consequences do apply for students not abiding by this rule.

### **Contacting Staff:**

I had to explain to some parents recently that it was not acceptable to make their way to teachers' offices to speak to them without an appointment. Your children's teachers have teaching responsibilities as well

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as preparation, correction and yard duty responsibilities. It is also an expectation, that in the interest of student safety and security, no one should be wandering around the school without permission, parents included. I would respectfully ask that everyone abide by the courtesy of making an appointment if they would like to chat to a teacher. This will also avoid disappointment should the teacher not be available. All visitors should report to reception as it says on the signs at the front of each campus – thank you.

### **Call to Past Students:**

Members of our community will have seen the advertisement in the Hamilton Spectator for past students to make up a committee to organise celebrations for 100 years of government education in 2016. If you or someone you know is interested in being part of the organisation of an event, please contact me and I will take the names of interested persons to School Council.

### **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

### **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.

### **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 5572 2788, 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.

P-4 Co-ordinator	Mr John Hill
Middle School Co-ordinator (Years 5-8)	Mr Ewan McDonald
Year 9 and 10 Co-ordinator	Mr Steven Constantine
Year 11 and 12 Co-ordinator	Mrs Lyn Collins assisted by Mr Gerard Sheehan and Mrs Lorraine Liston
Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator	Ms Kelly Taylor assisted by Mrs Bernadette Cook
VET / VCAL Co-ordinator	Mr Steven de Man

## Principal's Notes Continued

Student Laptop Computer  
Co-ordinator

Mr Dean Banfield

*Robert Vecchiet*  
*Principal*

At present Year 8's are working on Self Defence and Respect classes as part of PE. They all seem to be enjoying this change of environment and experience. Well done



# Important!!

The link for the CSEF website is on your Compass Newsfeed or the Baimbridge Website under the Enrolments tab.



Department of  
Education & Training

## Financial Assistance Information for Parents

### Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School **camps** provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, **excursions** encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and **sports** teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

#### How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

#### Closing Date

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)



Forms are available from the East Office or may be downloaded from the web site listed above. Applications close 26 June. Please bring along your valid concession card when handing in your application to The West or East Office.

## ICAS Students

Thank you to all of the students who registered to sit the ICAS testing, we wish you the very best and have every faith that you will show what great capabilities our students have.

The following dates will of be note to some of you:

Spelling (Year 7)                      16th June

Writing (Years 7 - 12)              17th June

English (Years 7 - 12)              28th July

Information on times and locations will be given to you at a later date.

If you have any further questions please see Miss Morgan.

# INTENSIVE HOLIDAY PRIVATE SWIM PROGRAM

**Dates:**

- 29 June - 3 July
- 6 - 10 July

5 x 30 minute lessons

1:1 student/ instructor ratio

\$198.00 per program

To register, please leave your details at: HILAC reception or email [swimprogram@hilac.com.au](mailto:swimprogram@hilac.com.au)




# Inflatables in the Pool

At HILAC  
Sunday 14 June  
1.00pm - 3.00pm  
Cost: Pool Entry






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Tickets available from East and West Office

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Don't miss out - **APPLY NOW** and secure your place before applications close on June 9!



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Improve your technique, ensemble playing skills, and explore new repertoire in our intensive workshop program. Be part of a full orchestra, rehearse under the baton of a professional conductor, and be mentored by top musicians in small group tutorials.

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# Canteen Roster

## Terms 2-3 2015

<a href="#">June</a> 1 Kate	2 Lyn Duncan	3	4	5
8 <b>Queen's</b>	9 Gill Hiscock	10	11	12 Janelle Tooley
15 Phyllis	16 Lyn Duncan	17	18 Melanie Rhook	19 Aileen Broadbent
22 Jody Golding	23 Lisa McIntyre	24	25	26 Kerry Price
<b>Term 3</b> <a href="#">July</a> 13 JodyGolding	14 Kerry Goodman	15 Leanne Warburton	16 Sally Wheeler	17
20 Nicole	21 Gill	22 Lynette	23 Lyn	24 Aileen
27 Carol Titcombe	28 Genevieve Lambert	29 Melanie Rhook	30 Lyn Battista	31 Janelle Tooley
<a href="#">August</a> 3 Tracey	4 Val Peters	5	6	7 Kerry Price
10 Phyllis Speirs	11 Lisa McIntyre	12	13	14
17 (am) Nicole Smyth Lyn Duncan	18	19	20	21 Dianne Evans
24 Kate Mibus	25 Lyn Duncan	26	27	28
31 Phyllis Speirs	<a href="#">September</a> 1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15 Lyn Duncan	16	17	18

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

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 5572 2788