



BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

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Our 2016 Leaders have been announced at Assembly today, for details see page 3.

Upcoming Events

16th - 24th Nov
Year 11 Exams

Wed 18th Nov
GD Triathlon

Thur 19th Nov
Year 12 Dinner

25 - 27 November
Year 11 into Y12
Study Program

2 - 4 December
Year 10 into Year 11
Study Program

Friday 4th Dec

Tuesday 8th Dec
Statewide
Orientation Day

Thur 10th Dec
Awards Night

11 - 17 December
End Of Year
Program

Thur 17th Dec
Last Day of
2015

Friday 29th
January 2016

2016 Classes
Commence

Principal's Notes

School Leaders :

We held a whole school assembly today to introduce the 2016 school leaders and captains to the student body. We are very pleased to have Anna Mitchell, Terrie Johnson, Brock McFarlane and Georgia Gilbert as our 2016 school leader team with Brock McFarlane and Georgia Gilbert elected as School Captains for 2016. Our House Captains were also announced with the following Captains allocated: Bec Langley with Tom Hiscock for Bradman, Ally Mills for Cuthbert, Mitch Lang with Chelsea Glare for Fraser and Rhys Wheeler with Taylor Ramsey-Grady representing Laver. Music Captains were also announced and congratulations go to Will Mibus and Nathan Astbury. I am sure that all of our leaders will be fantastic role models and ambassadors for our school in 2016.

Remembrance Day :

Yesterday, Wednesday 11th November, was Remembrance Day and many of our students sold poppies on behalf of the RSL in Hamilton last Friday to help commemorate the day. As part of our recognition of the Remembrance Day our Year 7 students attended the memorial ceremony at the cenotaph at Melville Oval on Wednesday morning. In addition we held a school wide silence during the morning for all students to remember those who gave their lives in order to retain our way of life. I was very proud of our students and the way they conducted themselves selling poppies, at the service yesterday and for their attention during the silence.

VCE Art Exhibition :

This display of the Art work of district students opened last Friday 6th November at the Hamilton Art Gallery. The annual exhibition is a wonderful showcase of student work and is a 'must see' for any students hoping to study Studio Art or Visual Communication in the future. I would like to congratulate Maddie Phillips, Mollie Purvis, Charlotte Franks and Zac Dellar for having their work selected for display as part of the exhibition.

Mobile Phone Parent Survey :

I would like to thank the parents who contacted me about this survey. Unfortunately the survey was originally put through Compass to students only. This made it impossible for parents to respond to my request to give their input. I am pleased to say that we have fixed that problem and parents now have access to this short survey about our mobile phone rules. Can I ask once again for parents to go on to Compass to provide their opinion of the Baimbridge College mobile phone policy so that School Council can have access to parent opinion on the matter. Thank you.

Year 11 Examinations :

Examinations in all Year 11 subjects begin on Tuesday next week. The Monday is a designated study day. Students have their timetables and should be revising their subjects in preparation. Year 11 students are expected to be in full school uniform during this period as it constitutes a normal school day.



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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

YEAR 9 & 10

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Steven Constantine

Assist Co-ordinators:

Mr John Sly &

Mrs Lisa Guegan_Brown

Yr 11 & 12

CO-ORDINATOR:

Ms Lyn Collins

Assistant Co-ordinators:

Mr Gerry Sheehan

Ms Lorraine Liston

VET / VCAL

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Steven de Man

DEVICE CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Dean Banfield

STUDENT WELLBEING:

Ms Kelly Taylor

Mrs Bernie Cook

INTEGRATION

COORDINATOR:

Mr Roger Lewis

Representation of Baimbridge College :

Fashions come and go but Baimbridge College has a set uniform and whenever we go into the community we expect students to be in full uniform. Presentation of staff and students at public events makes a large difference to how we are perceived by the public. While issues such as hair colour have never been particularly significant in classes, in the past and recently some students have chosen to colour their hair quite brightly. I have therefore made a point of explaining to them that the school reserves the right to determine who represents it at public events and outlandish hair colours may mean that they will not be allowed to represent Baimbridge College at a community event.

Bus Scholarships :

A small number of very capable students have been awarded bus scholarships for 2016 so far. Congratulations to these individuals, we look forward to having them as Baimbridge College students in 2016.

With the tightening up of eligibility rules for free bus travel, many students are no longer able to attend their school of choice without incurring quite large fees for bus travel. If this affects you, I would like to remind families that Baimbridge College is able to make available a bus scholarship to students who live outside our 'catchment' and satisfy a set of school based requirements. The scholarship will pay bus fees for a limited number of successful applicants. If you would like to apply for one of these scholarships please apply to me in writing and we will arrange an interview. Scholarships are valid for one year and may be reviewed more often if circumstances change.

Baimbridge College Website (www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au):

I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a website that contains virtually all the information that a parent or student could need about Baimbridge College and its processes. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a very comprehensive list of school information. If you still have questions after checking the site please contact our office on 55722788.

Compass :

Our online student management system, Compass, has been 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 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.

Robert Vecchiet, Principal

2016 Leaders



Student leaders for 2016 pictured with Principal Mr Vecchiet.

L - R: Anna Mitchell, Terrie Johnson, Brock McFarlane (Captain) and Georgia Gilbert (Captain).



Tom Hiscock & Bec Langley - Bradman Captains



Mitch Lang & Chelsea Glare - Laver Captains



Rhys Wheeler & Taylor Ramsey-Grady - Laver Captains



Ally Mills - Cuthbert Captain

Music Captains Will Mibus and Nathan Astbury will feature next week.

On Thursday 5th November and Friday 6th November we had the pleasure of welcoming Daniel Taylor from the Stride Foundation in Melbourne to Baimbridge College. Daniel is the Student Wellbeing Program Coordinator at the Stride Foundation and presented 2 workshops to selected Year 9 and 10 students at Baimbridge College.

Year 9 Peer Support Workshop

On Thursday 5th November, 20 of our Year 9 students participated in a full training day focusing on peer support. The Peer Support Program is designed to enhance peer connections throughout the school and can provide emotional, social or practical support to younger students. The Peer Support Program aims to support in particular the incoming Year 7 students' transition from Primary School to Secondary School.

In 2016, The Peer Support Leaders will assist with many extra curriculum activities throughout the year, in particular with assisting staff with the Grade 5 and 6 transition days, Orientation Day, Information Evenings, BBQ's, Year 7 Camp, Supergroups, weekly Peer Support meetings and any other extra curriculum activities that occur with Middle School.

During the one-day workshop, our Year 9 students learnt:

- How to make connections with younger students.
- Appropriate activities and games to run with Year 7's during camp.
- How to listen and respond appropriately to any concerns younger students may have.
- How to build long lasting trust.
- Communication skills
- Managing a group



Year 10 Supportive Friends Workshop

On Friday 6th November, 11 of our Year 10 students participated in a full training day focusing on mentoring skills. Students chosen to be Supportive Friends at Baimbridge College explored what it means to be good friends, peers and were trained in basic mentoring skills. These skills help them to recognise early warning signs of depression or anxiety and offer an open and caring dialogue with students. This gives young people an avenue to express their feelings to someone they can relate too and feel safe with. The Supportive Friends program informs students in how to recognise, reach out and support their fellow peers.

During the workshop, our Year 10 students learnt:

- How to make connections with other students.
- How to listen and respond appropriately.
- Why it is important to understand ours and other people's feelings.
- How to build long lasting trust.
- How to handle issues when they arrive.
- When it is necessary to get adult's help



Community

Join us to celebrate creativity, community and public art in the



POCKET GARDEN

Hamilton Community Garden Association, Southern Grampians Shire Council and our partners invite the wider community to join us for the opening of the Pocket Garden.

Date Friday, November 13, 2015
Details 5.00pm Comedale Lane Hamilton (behind the National Australia Bank)
 Food, Music, Fun and Planting.

The Pocket Garden is a community inspired project. The aim of the project was to make-over a vacant block in the heart of the CBD, transforming it into an exciting community garden space, one that was embraced by a range of public art pieces.



The Artists

Dean Brown
 The Hamilton Farmers - Food and Louise Brown
 Their whimsical and much loved sculptures by international artist Dean Brown, have we believe, found their perfect home in the CBD Pocket Garden. These sculptures were generously gifted to the Hamilton Art Gallery in 2014 by Dr Barb Van Tassie and we take this opportunity to publicly thank her for kindness.

Roger Edwards & Jasmine Mansbridge
 The Golden Mural is the collaborative work of two local artists who have integrated their own personal interests and style into the site-specific mural. Jasmine Mansbridge's contemporary urban landscape provides the backdrop for Roger Edwards' naturalistic and local imagery. The beautiful New Zealand Honey Eater is already a regular visitor to the Pocket Garden.

Trevor Rowe
 Based in Dunfermline, Trevor initially trained in sculpture at VCA. His arts practice now spans a range of media. He is well known both regionally and internationally for his collaborative community based projects. Trevor was asked to "make us something for the garden".



This season we are running one trial day on the back of T 20 Blast Schools Cup Days and the recent Girls Coaching day. This trial date is for any girls from 11 years up and not having turned 18 before September 1 2015.

Pedrina Park Hamilton 10am November 22.

Western Waves Under 14, U16 & U18 teams play in state championships each season, this is your chance to try and make these teams. Please contact the coach/manager of your age group for more information.

U14 Lachie Green 0428880372 Grace Lee 0429424119
 U16 Steve Mirschin 0413465839 Lauren McLean 0458438642
 U18 Jamie Fenech 0428069348 Lauren Tink 0418737914

To register your interest, please go to:
<https://cricketvictoria.wufoo.eu/forms/2015-western-waves-girls-trial-day/>



YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS LEADERSHIP FORUM

AN EXCLUSIVE CRICKET VICTORIA AND SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA FORUM DESIGNED TO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP FOR YOUR EMERGING YEAR 7 & 8 FEMALE LEADERS.

DATE MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER
VENUE MELBOURNE GIRLS COLLEGE YARRA BLVD, RICHMOND
COST FREE
MAXIMUM OF 2 PARTICIPANTS PER SCHOOL AND MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND

Facilitated by: MATTI CLEMENTS (DIRECTOR, MENTAL ERGIE CONSULTING) and MEG LANNING (CAPTAIN, COMMONWEALTH BANK SOUTHERN STARS)

Panel discussion featuring: MATTI CLEMENTS and MEG LANNING

Facilitated Workshops:

- UTILISING A GROWTH MINDSET
- GETTING THE MOST OUT OF A MENTOR
- BUILDING YOUR RESILIENCE
- GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT

We have been allocated 2 places for this forum, if you are interested and can get your child to Melbourne we would love to hear from you!

BBQ Night at Baimbridge College Music Centre

6:00 – 8:00 PM
 Friday 13 Nov

Dear parents / guardians,

We'd like to invite you to a BBQ event at the music centre to celebrate the hard work of the students this year. There will be a short performance from the students at the BBQ, and following that, we want to take this opportunity to introduce the music auxiliary.



Music Auxiliary

The Baimbridge College Music Auxiliary is an organization which supports both students and staff involved on the Instrumental Music Program.

The Music Auxiliary, made up mainly of parents of instrumental students, provides fund raising to assist with trips/excursions, and the supply of extra musical requirements not available through normal school budget allowances.

The Auxiliary helps music staff at music nights by manning the door and organising supper. They also work at BBQ's or other events, for music students from Baimbridge College and visiting schools.

You are welcomed to join a very brief music auxiliary meeting after the BBQ

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, PLEASE VISIT
CRICKETVICTORIA.COM.AU/GIRLSLEADERSHIPFORUM

Junior Golf

Please bring along your own golf clubs however equipment can be provided on request. (8 - 14 years)

Hamilton Golf Club Presents

As Part of our Junior Coaching Program

Come and Try Day's

Each Sunday 9.30 - 11.30am
 November 15 - December 13, 2015

Try one day - or all of them!

Coaching Provided By Members
 Memberships available

For more information please contact Women's Hall on 0401 340 872 or 0408 719 448.
 Please register your interest by calling the Hamilton Golf Club on 0572 2649 or email info@hamiltongolfclub.com.au

what's on

Canteen Roster

Term 4 2015

<u>November</u> 2 Phyllis Speirs	3 Melbourne Cup	4 Suzanne Connolly	5 Lynette Purvis	6
9 Kate Mibus	10 Lisa McIntyre	11 Leanne Warburton	12 Kerry Price	13 Dianne Evans
16 Jody Golding	17 Lyn Duncan	18	19	20 Aileen Broadbent
23	24 Kerry Goodman	25 Melanie Rhook	26 Lyn Battista	27 Janelle Tooley
30	<u>December</u> 1 Gill Hiscock	2 Kym Sparrow	3	4 LAST DAY of CANTEEN

The canteen will close on Friday December 4, lunches and recess will need to be provided after this date.

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



Don't forget to like our Facebook page for an insight into the lesser known aspects of the College, this week we found a jam session going on at lunchtime on the casual day on Thursday - it's moments like this that make our school a community.

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