BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

"Baimbridge College is a child safe school"

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School Captains Eleanor Franks and Angus McIntyre addressed the school at the general assembly.

Upcoming Events

Mon Feb 13
AFL Clinic 10.15

Tue Feb 14
Student Leaders announced 7-11

Wed Feb 15
Swimming Carnival

Wed Feb 22
Year 6 Transition Day
YEAR 8 STUDENT FREE DAY

Thur Feb 23
GD Swimming, Portland
Principal Tours

Fri Feb 24
Year 7 Immunisations
Student Leader Training Day - PAC

Mon Feb 27
School Photos - Summer uniform.

Fri March 3
Air Show
World Day of Prayer

Tue March 7
Aths Carnival @ Pedrina Park

Mon March 13
LONG WEEKEND

Principal's Notes

Welcome :

I would like to welcome everyone back to school for 2017. In particular, welcome to all of our new students to Baimbridge College. From 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. We also welcome our three exchange students.

I would also like to welcome back all of our 2016 students from their summer holiday and wish them a successful 2017.

After my extended leave I would like to thank everyone for welcoming me back. It is a delight to be back with our students and their teachers as we enter the 2017 school year.

Junior School Announcement :

The most significant thing of note as we enter 2017 is the decision of our School Council last year to recommend to the Minister for Education that our primary school close and Baimbridge College become a Year 7 to 12 school again. Unfortunately for our school community this decision was not confirmed by the Minister until the day after school broke up for the Christmas holidays. Acting Principal, Mrs Walker, contacted all of the families of our prep –Year 5 students immediately after the Minister's announcement so that they could be informed and supported in their move. While the timing of the transition was disappointing, I have now informed the whole student body at our first general assembly this year and School Council will now focus its attention on all students and courses in Year 7 – 12.

Dux :

Congratulations to Georgia Gilbert who was our dux of Year 12 last year. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 12 from 2016 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. Students were accepted in university courses including law, science, nursing, veterinary science, health science, engineering, arts and chiropractic just to mention a few. Congratulations to all on a successful secondary education.

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

If you have any concerns please contact:

PRINCIPAL:
Mr Robert Vecchiet

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

EAST CAMPUS:
Miss Rosemary Morgan

WEST CAMPUS:
Mr John Hill

YRS 7 - 9 SUB SCHOOL MANAGER:
MR EWAN MACDONALD

Year 7 Co-ordinator:
Mrs Sam Adams

YEAR 8 CO-ORDINATOR:
Mr Alan Thomas

Year 9 Co-ordinators:

Mr John Sly

Yr 10-12 Sub School Manager
Mrs Rachel Rose

Year 10 Co-ordinator:
Mrs Lisa Guegan-Brown

Year 11 Co-ordinator:
Ms Sharon Herreen

Year 12 Co-ordinator
Ms Peta Taylor

VET / VCAL CO-ORDINATOR:
Mr Steven de Man

DEVICE CO-ORDINATOR:
Mr Dean Banfield

STUDENT WELLBEING:
Ms Kelly Taylor

INTEGRATION COORDINATOR:

Mr Roger Lewis

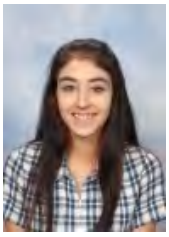
New Staff :

At the end of 2016 a number of Baimbridge College staff took leave from teaching with us for 2017. They were Mrs Lisa Kyle, Mr Fenton Colliton, Mr Shane Dempsey and Mr Ross Potts. As a result of the School Council decision about our primary school we also lost Mrs Monika Dittrich and Mrs Barb Peters 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 of the vacancies created we are pleased to introduce a number of new staff to our college to fill the roles that have been vacated. They are Mr Gourong Chen and Mr John McIntyre (maths), Mrs Lisa Guegan Brown (foods and hospitality) and Miss Ilenia Vona (Italian). Also new to our college in the Hamilton District Skills Centre is Mr Stephen Hol (cert II Automotive) and Ms Linda Grant (conservation and land management). Welcome also to our new gardeners and maintenance men David Costello and Robert Lambert.

Student Achievement :

I would like to congratulate two of our students who were recently awarded significant scholarships to assist in furthering their education. Firstly, Dux of 2015 Barbara Sealy has been awarded the Deakin University Vice Chancellor's Academic Excellence Scholarship that will cover all of her educational expenses at university as well as providing further financial support and exclusive access to academic 'excellence' programs at Deakin University.



The second is Year 12 student Lizzie Pickett who was awarded a DHHS Aboriginal Scholarship to support her in her Year 12 studies this year.

These are wonderful achievements and I would like to congratulate both girls on behalf of our school community.

Bus Travel :

The new Public Transport Victoria online registration for eligible bus travellers seems to be progressing a little more slowly than was anticipated. All students eligible for bus travel must now register online, not via their school or our Bus Co-ordinator Mr David Gilchrist. For those still having difficulty or unsure how to proceed you are welcome to contact our front office or contact Mr Gilchrist.

Swimming Sports :

Next Wednesday 15th February is the day we hold the House Swimming Sports at Hughan Park. There will be no classes run on that day as all students are required at the pool. Competitors can come in their sports gear and non-competitors can come in their House colours otherwise they need to be in full school uniform. We will assemble at school and make our way to the pool together in the morning. Students should bring a water bottle, sunscreen, sun hat and lunch. The kiosk will be open at the pool. No pass outs will be allowed for students unless a parent is in attendance to accompany a student. Permanent lunch passes are not valid on this day.

Previous swimming carnivals have been a huge success and help build a sense of team and school pride. We look forward to parents and guardians being able to attend to help cheer our competitors along. If you can help with organisation on the day please contact Sports Co-ordinator Mrs Jen McArthur.

If anyone has a shade gazebo they could lend us for the day we would love to hear from you, please contact Mrs Jen McArthur if you are able to help.

Responsibility Positions :

There have been some adjustments made to our school structures for this year so that we now have two sub-schools, Year 7 – 9 headed by Mr Ewan MacDonald and Year 10-12 headed by Mrs Rachel Rose. In addition we have a co-ordinator responsible for each level, Year 7 Ms Samantha Adams, Year 8 Mr Alan Thomas, Year 9 Mr John Sly, Year 10 Mrs Lisa Guegan Brown, Year 11 Ms Sharon Herreen and Year 12 Ms Peta Taylor. If you have a question of concern about your son or daughter feel free to contact them.

Awards Afternoon :

I would like to congratulate all the students who received awards or scholarships at the awards afternoon 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 at 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 the next newsletter about their activities.

Uniform Guidelines :

Two issues have again arisen this year that I will address here to ensure everyone is clear about our policies. The first is hair colour, it seems that this fashion has re-emerged after a number of years of hibernation. Some students have come to school with bright hair colours – they have been told that while they will not be stopped from attending classes they will not be allowed to represent the school at any official occasions. The school has always, and continues to, reserve the right to determine who represents it at public events.

The second issue is visible piercings - our uniform guidelines specify that students can only have a total of two studs or sleepers in their ears and no other visible piercings. That means one in each ear or two in one ear, NOT two in each ear. The other guidelines about visible piercings (in noses and eye brows) do not seem to have caused the same amount of discussion.

I hope this clears up any confusion.

Regularity of Newsletters :

Even while I was on leave I received feedback about the change last year to newsletters being produced once every four weeks. It would seem that there is agreement between parents , teachers and myself that this is way too long between newsletters. As a compromise we will try newsletters every two weeks and see if that provides sufficient up to date information to parents while also reducing work load a little at school.

Reporting Process :

After much discussion amongst teachers at school Baimbridge College, last year, chose to increase the level of feedback about student achievement to parents as the term progresses. Instead of providing only a tick the box interim report and then a final semester report, faculties will again be publishing 'Learning Tasks' on Compass so that parents can see the work students are being asked to do and also their assessments on those tasks as they progress during term. This will mean that the bulk of feedback will come with the assessment of Learning Tasks during the term, and end of term reports will be much more brief because the feedback and information will already have been provided when each Learning Task is assessed during the semester. This is a significant change and will take a little time to adapt to.

Transition Information :

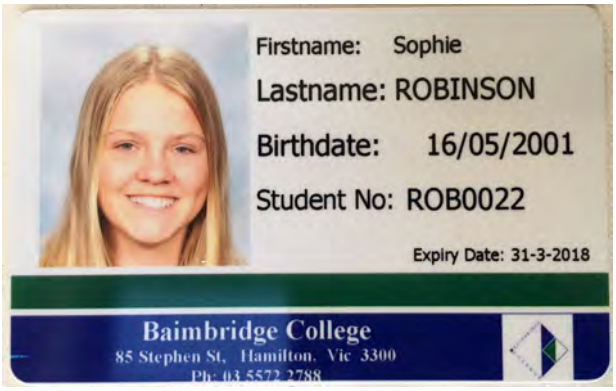
In keeping with the trend set by other schools in the area, Baimbridge College will hold its Year 6 to Year 7 transition day early again this year, on Wednesday 22nd February. State Primary Schools in the area are aware of this arrangement and we are inviting all Year 6 students to attend a day of schooling 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 22nd February and then tours of the school during the day on Thursday 23rd February.

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.

Year 8 :

As a result of the transition day on Wednesday 22nd February, we will be sending a note home to parents of Year 8 students asking them if they could keep their son or daughter home on that day to assist us in releasing staff and resources for our visiting Year 6 students.



ID CARDS

This year we have organised for hard plastic ID cards to be available to purchase for $5 in the photo packages. The cards are compliant with all public transport requirements. We strongly urge all students who wish to use public transport, attend good life or schoolies or require photo ID for any other purpose to purchase one as our offices will not be generating them.

Do you travel on the bus?

You might qualify for the conveyance allowance. If you have to travel to the bus stop you may get

COMPASS APP

If you have a smart phone you are encouraged to download the Compass School Manager App. The app now supports push notifications so it's even easier to know when something is going on that's relevant to your child.

If you have any issues with Compass please call our office staff, we love to see parents set up and utilising this valuable tool.

The Compass app can be downloaded from both Google Play and the App Store.

REPORTS *** REPORTS *** REPORTS *** REPORTS *** REPORTS

Did you log in to Compass and check your child's report last year??? Our records are showing that whilst a lot of parents are viewing reports, some are not. We intend on calling a random sample to find out exactly why.

Staff Contacts for 2017:

Principal:		Mr Robert Vecchiet
Assistant Principals:	East Campus:	Dr Rosemary Morgan
	West Campus:	Mr John Hill
Years 7, 8 & 9 Sub School Manager:		Mr Ewan MacDonald
Years 10, 11 & 12 Sub School Manager:		Mrs Rachel Rose
Year 7 Co-ordinator:		Mrs Sam Adams
Year 8 Co-ordinator:		Mr Alan Thomas
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VET/VCAL Co-ordinator:		Mr Steven deMan
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Student Wellbeing:		Ms Kelly Taylor
Integration Co-ordinator:		Mr Roger Lewis
Transition Co-ordinator:		Mrs Bernadette Cook

Call for Referees…….

Would you like to earn some cash and help the association at the same time ?

Learn to Referee – The HBA is looking for interested people wanting to learn to referee. The referee's group are holding 5 learn to Ref nights leading up to the start of the season for people to come and try.

Any Junior or Senior people interested in trying the whistle are strongly encouraged to come along. We are in desperate need of Adult referees to lighten the load for our senior competition in particular. This would also reduce the number of player team referees. If we don't get support – more teams will be reffing each week.

A graded referee night will be held on Wednesday 15th Feb at 7.30pm for a rules discussion session prior to the start of the season.

Sessions are: 6:30pm Wed 1st Feb, Tues 7th Feb, Wed 8th Feb, Tues 14th Feb & Wed 15th Feb.

We are also holding a **Rules & Scoring session** for any player, parent and coach. This will help bring everyone up to speed with changed rules and clarify questions anyone may have. The information session will be held **Tuesday 14th Feb from 7.30pm**.

Anyone having issues with the online **registrations** will be welcome to HILAC on the same night from **6.30pm**, where we will be available to help with this process.

Season Dates:

Summer Senior Competition 2017

Team Entries due 10th February – emailed to hjba@bigpond.com

First Round begins Tuesday 21st February, Women & Wednesday 22nd Feb, Men.

Summer Junior Competition 2017

Team entries due by Sunday 12th February, 2017 – 5pm - to appropriate Club Rep's (club info can be found on the web page) or by emailing hjba@bigpond.com

Season Begins:

Monday 20th Feb 2017 & Friday 24th Feb 2017

HAMILTON KANGAROOS FNC

ROOS JUNIOR NETBALL TEAMS 2017

The Hamilton Kangaroos Football Netball Club will be fielding teams in the Hampden Junior League (Sunday Competition) if numbers allow. We would love to see any girl turning 11- 17 in 2017 at our Pre-Season trainings on Thursdays at 5.30 at Pedrina Park from Thursday 2nd Feb with tryouts on 16th and 23rd of February for 12&U, 13&U, 14&U, 15&U, 16&U and 17&U.

Anyone interested in coaching or coordinating the Sunday competition please call Jill Robinson on 0427 536 931.

Canteen 2017

February

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1st Students Back	2nd Heidilee Freemen	3rd
6th Chandra	7th Kerry Goodman	8th Melanie Rhook	9th Lyn Duncan	10th Sara Morgan
13th Tracey Sartan	14th Genevieve Lambert	15th Chandra	16th Lyn Battista	17th Kerry Price
20th Kate Mibus	21st Lisa McIntyre	22nd Angela McCreddan	23rd Vicki Thompson	24th Aileen
27th	28th	March 1st Vicki Thompson	2nd Heidilee Freeman	3rd

March

The canteen roster can be found on the Compass Calendar in pink

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6th Sally Wheeler	7th	8th	9th Lyn Duncan	10th
13th Labour Day	14th Kerry Goodman	15th	16th Lyn Battista	17th Kerry Price
20th Tracey Sartain	21st Genevieve Lambert	22nd	23rd	24th Aileen Broadbent
27th Kate Mibus	28th Lisa McIntyre	29th Angela McCreddan	30th Vicki Thompson	31st Sara Morgan

If you are able to spare some time to help out in the canteen it is always very much appreciated. We understand that most families are very busy, however, when the workload is shared it is always so much easier for everyone.

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE SWIM SPORTS 2017

9:45 AM

19	Girls	13 Years & Under	50m	Breaststroke
0:45.19 (1996) S. Wilson - FRASER				
20	Boys	13 Years & Under	50m	Breaststroke
0:44.37 (2003) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
21	Girls	14 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:42.15 (1997) S. Wilson - FRASER				
22	Boys	14 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:41.64 (2004) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
23	Girls	15 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:42.47 (1998) L.Dodd - LAVER				
24	Boys	15 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:39.55 (1997) L.Sypott - LAVER				
25	Girls	16 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:48.59 (2014) Alice Keatley - BRADMAN				
26	Boys	16 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:41.20 (2006) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
27	Girls	17 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:49.15(2015) Alice Keatley - BRADMAN				
28	Boys	17 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:38.79 (2013) Samuel McIntosh - LAVER				
29	Girls	18-20 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:39.60 (2000) L.Dodd - LAVER				
30	Boys	18-20 Years	50m	Breaststroke
0:36.12 (1998) L.Sypott - LAVER				

11:00 AM

39	Girls	13 Years & Under	50m	Butterfly
45.98 (2015) Lily Kyle - FRASER				
40	Boys	13 Years & Under	50m	Butterfly
37.71 (2014) Daniel Battista - CUTHBERT				
41	Girls	14 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:36.00 (1997) S.Wilson - FRASER				
42	Boys	14 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:33.43 (2004) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
43	Girls	15 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:42.42 (2013) Alice Keatley - BRADMAN				
44	Boys	15 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:31.46 (2016) Daniel Battista - CUTHBERT				
45	Girls	16 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:39.00 (2014) Alice Keatley - BRADMAN				
46	Boys	16 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:30.93 (2011) Liam Keatley - BRADMAN				
47	Girls	17 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:37.50 (2014) Chloe Mibus - CUTHBERT				
48	Boys	17 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:32.99 (2013) Samuel McIntosh - LAVER				
49	Girls	18-20 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:33.30 (2000) S.Wilson - FRASER				
50	Boys	18-20 Years	50m	Butterfly
0:30.14 (2013) Liam Keatley - BRADMAN				

11:30 AM

51	Girls	12-15 Years	100m	Freestyle
1:17.00 (2016) Lily Kyle - FRASER				
52	Boys	12-15 Years	100m	Freestyle
1:06.15 (2016) Daniel Battista - CUTHBERT				
53	Girls	16-20 Years	100m	Freestyle
1:05.46 (2000) S.Wilson - FRASER				
54	Boys	16-20 Years	100m	Freestyle
1:05.20 (2014) Samuel McIntosh - LAVER				

12:00 PM

61	Girls	13 Years & Under	50m	Freestyle
0:33.85 (1996) S. Wilson - FRASER				
62	Boys	13 Years & Under	50m	Freestyle
0:30.25 (2010) Lachlan Fisher - LAVER				
63	Girls	14 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:31.87 (1997) L. Dodd - LAVER				
64	Boys	14 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:29.91 (2004) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
65	Girls	15 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:34.03 (1998) L. Dodd - LAVER				
66	Boys	15 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:29.05 (2011) Lachlan Fisher - LAVER				
67	Girls	16 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:32.37 (2012) Ellie Riddle - BRADMAN				
68	Boys	16 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:28.95 (2006) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
69	Girls	17 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:34.95 (2015) Rebecca Langley - BRADMAN				
70	Boys	17 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:28.40 (2013) Samuel McIntosh - LAVER				
71	Girls	18-20 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:32.47 (2014) Elisa Mibus - CUTHBERT				
72	Boys	18-20 Years	50m	Freestyle
0:28.47 (2014) Samuel McIntosh - LAVER				

1:00 PM

87	Girls	13 Years & Under	50m	Backstroke
0:40.80 (2000) A.Lewis - BRADMAN				
88	Boys	13 Years & Under	50m	Backstroke
0:40.26 (2010) Lachlan Fisher - LAVER				
89	Girls	14 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:40.46 (1997) L. Dodd - LAVER				
90	Boys	14 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:36.99 (2004) Josh Speed - BRADMAN				
91	Girls	15 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:38.31 (1998) L. Dodd - LAVER				
92	Boys	15 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:35.19 (2016) Daniel Battista - CUTHBERT				
93	Girls	16 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:43.01 (2011) Rachel Gilbert - BRADMAN				
94	Boys	16 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:37.60 (2012) Sam McIntosh - LAVER				
95	Girls	17 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:43.63 (2014) Chloe Mibus - CUTHBERT				
96	Boys	17 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:36.30 (2012) Liam Keatley - BRADMAN				
97	Girls	18-20 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:36.62 (2000) L. Dodd - LAVER				
98	Boys	18-20 Years	50m	Backstroke
0:34.53 (2004) Glenn B. Sypott - LAVER				

1:45 PM

107	Girls	14 Years & Under	4 x 50m	Individual Medley
3:17.11 (2016) Lily Kyle - FRASER				
108	Boys	14 Years & Under	4 x 50m	Individual Medley
109	Girls	16 Years & Under	4 x 50m	Individual Medley
4:08.87 (2016) Tamika Gay - FRASE				
110	Boys	16 Years & Under	4 x 50m	Individual Medley
2:53.90 (2016) Daniel Battista - CU				
109	Girls	17-20 Years	4 x 50m	Individual Medley
110	Boys	17-20 Years	4 x 50m	Individual Medley

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2:00 PM

133	Girls	14 Years & Under	4 x	Freestyle
2:33.19	(2002)	CUTHBERT	50m	Relay
134	Boys	14 Years & Under	4 x	Freestyle
2:33.19	(2002)	CUTHBERT	50m	Relay
137	Girls	16 Years & Under	4 x	Freestyle
2:42.30	(2013)	BRADMAN	50m	Relay
138	Boys	16 Years & Under	4 x	Freestyle
2:28.65	(2006)	CUTHBERT	50m	Relay
141	Girls	17-20 Years	4 x	Freestyle
2:35.55	(1994)	CUTHBERT	50m	Relay
142	Boys	17-20 Years	4 x	Freestyle
2:13.75	(1995)	CUTHBERT	50m	Relay

2:30PM

Presentations
Age Goup Champions
House Champions

3:00 PM

Students return to School

Hamilton Scout Group

Come And Try Night

Are your between 5* and 15

Like games, camping, learning new activities,

making new friends and having fun?

Come see what Scouts is all about!

Games and Competitions
and all sorts of fun activities.

Camping and Hiking
including Cuboree and Jamboree

Crafts, Knots and Building Things
including Rafts, Bridges & Towers

Badges and Awards and Learning Life Skills
earned as you learn new things about yourself,
your community and your environment

We meet at the Scout Hall on North Boundary Rd (next to Pedrina Park)

Joeys boys & girls 5*-7 years. Mon 6 Feb 6-7pm
Cubs boys & girls between 8-10 years. Tue 7 Feb 6:30-8pm
Scouts boys & girls between 10-15 years. Wed 8 Feb 7-9pm

Enquiries: Caroline 0427 850 944

Why wouldn't you get involved?

* 5 years old and attending school