



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE HAMILTON

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## NEWSLETTER



*Our International students: L—R : Jan Wolfarth, Kevin Croner,  
Francesca Bianco and Florian Fechner.*

### PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

#### ***International Flavour :***

I have spoken recently of the number of the international visitors we have had at school. Our students will be aware that this has increased recently and we are now hosting four international students. Since my introduction of Jan Wohlfart, we have also enrolled Florian Fechner, Francesca Bianco from Italy and Kevin Croner from Sweden. I am sure that while our visitors will learn a lot about Australia and Australian education during their stays, our own students will also gain significantly

from having Jan, Florian, Francesca and Kevin in their classes over the next months.

#### ***Sheepvention :***

Our Certificate II Hospitality students spent Monday and Tuesday perfecting their coffee making skills in the Landmark marquee at Sheepvention. Thanks to Mr Peter Franklin the students provided coffee for visitors and in doing so got more practice than could ever hope for in their classroom. I would like to thank Mr Franklin for the opportunity and to Mrs Guegan-Brown and Mr MacGillivray for keeping an eye on them and supporting them over

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### TERM 3

### AUGUST

**Tuesday 14** ICAS maths competition  
Jnr boys football  
State School Girls Netball-

**Wednesday 15** Careers in Agriculture,  
RIST

**Thursday 16** Ski trip departs

**Friday 17** Yr 7 immunisations

**Sunday 19** Year 12 bus to Melbourne

Uni Open Day

**Wednesday 22** Year 9/10 Informa-  
tion 7.30pm VCE Centre

**Thursday 23** Casual Dress day – Daffodil  
Day dress yellow fundraiser.

**Wednesday 29 – Saturday 1 September**  
School production 'The Wedding  
Singer'

### SEPTEMBER

**Monday 3** Year 6 Transition day

**School Council – 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of month**

the two days.

### ***Year 11 and 12 Information Night :***

This information evening was held on Wednesday night. Any parent who missed the evening and would like to learn about subject selection and the requirements for students undertaking Year 11 or 12 can contact VCE Co-ordinator Mrs Sue Smith at school on 55722788.

### ***Year 9 / 10 Information Night :***

Parents and students are reminded that this evening is scheduled for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 7.30pm in the VCE Centre.

### ***School Review :***

Our school reviewer, Mrs Keryn McGuinness, will be delivering her School Review report to staff and School Council next week. From this report Council will put in place strategies to further improve opportunities for students over the next few years.

### ***Parent Opinion Survey :***

I would like to thank all parents who took the time to complete the Parent Opinion Survey recently. The survey was sent to a randomly selected group of families and the results of the survey are provided to us so that we can continue to work on improving parent satisfaction. The results are confidential and no names are reported with the opinions.

### ***Personal Computers :***

School Council is currently working on a proposal to extend the use of individual computers in the school. The current proposal is to introduce an individual laptop for all Year 7 students in 2013. The proposal involves parents leasing a laptop for their son or daughter for Year 7 and Year 8. The introduction of the laptop lease would be part of a plan that would see a reduction in the purchase of text books for these students, with

the likely alternative being the introduction of electronic text books loaded on the laptops themselves. As soon as details are finalised, including the preferred model and cost of the lease we will contact the parents of all our new 2013 Year 7 students.

### ***Mobile Phones and Body Piercing :***

Unfortunately I find myself in the position of needing to remind our community that we do not allow mobile phones at school and that students that do not hand them in to assistant principals or level co-ordinators at the beginning of the day will find that they are confiscated until the end of term and they will incur two after school detentions. There is no need for parents to phone or text students during the day on mobile phones as we have staff answering school phones all day and any messages will be passed on. Equally parents will understand that students should be concentrating on their classwork not being distracted by messages or incoming calls. We also have quite clear rules about body piercing that do not allow students to have visible body piercing other than a pair of studs or sleepers in the ears. Students who ignore this rule will not be able to attend classes until the piercing is removed. These are well established rules that we have been applying for many years and they have worked well for the school.

### ***Access to Newsletters :***

Our weekly newsletter is distributed to students on Thursdays. Any parents experiencing problems accessing the newsletter can have alternative access via the Baimbridge College website or contacting our front office, 55722788, to be placed on our email distribution list.

If there are any questions or concerns I urge parents and guardians to contact myself, our Assistant Principals Mr Tony Speed and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant Co-ordinators.

**P-4 Co-ordinator**

Mrs Di Dolman

**Middle School Co-ordinator**

Mr Scott McFadden

**Year 8 Co-ordinator**

Mr David Fisher

**Year 9 Co-ordinator**

Mrs Chelsea Carter

**Year 10 Co-ordinator**

Miss Sheba Gurm

**VCE Co-ordinator**

Miss Sue Smith

**Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator**

Miss Rhiannon Smith

**VET / VCAL Co-ordinator**

Mr Steven de Man

**Year 9/10 Netbook Co-ordinator**

Mrs Kym Dempsey

***Robert Vecchiet  
Principal***

### CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3—WEST CAMPUS

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
August 13— 17	13	14	15	16	17
August 20— 24	20 Jody Golding	21 Lyn Duncan	22 Kerry Goodman	23 Julie Breban	24 Lyndel Delahoy

### CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3—EAST CAMPUS

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
August 13— 17	13	14 Robyn Richardson (am)	15 Jenny Cumming	16 Lesley	17 Glenys Downes
August 20— 24	20	21 Tracey Sartain	22 Nicole Teasdale (am)	23 Lesley	24 Glenys Downes

**HELPERS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED IN  
CANTEEN—see above!  
IF ABLE TO ASSIST PLEASE CONTACT ADIE  
55722788**

### MUSIC

In the forthcoming weeks, the Year 10 Singers will be visiting Aged Care and Hospital facilities in the Shire where they will perform concerts under the direction of Mrs Heather Ross.



Hard working Masey Knight (l) and Nikki Monaghan made many, many coffees while at Sheepvention.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

What a great week we have been enjoying! Bugalugs last week was fabulous and everybody loved it and behaviours were excellent. We were all so proud of our Primary section! We visited Sheepvention on Monday and again, our students were outstanding.

On Friday morning they will be involved in Big Chef, Little Chef, making breakfast muffins with the year 10 students. This is brilliant fun for everyone involved. And of course there is Taekwondo every Friday afternoon also.

There has been some excellent learning happening too, as well as very positive play and interactions. Generally, we are very happy and we are all having a great time!

Junior School Team

## SPORT REPORT

A most enjoyable day at the girls football competition. Forty girls experienced a muddy, active afternoon and some impressive skills were displayed.

- ◆ A successful day at the Glenelg District Field and Game Shoot. Baimbridge were the winning school with 3 champions and the high gun winner.  
Junior girls—Tricia Carter 1st  
Junior boys—Jack Collins 1st  
Snr boys & high gun—  
Eric Guthrie 1st
- ◆ Hockey Geelong Tuesday 31/7: Our intermediate boys qualified for the Barwon South West finals. They were competitive but not victorious. Alex McIntyre did, however, gain 6 stitches! (in the first 2 minutes of game 1)

**The Warrnambool Inter-school Equestrian Championships  
Will be hosted by the Warrnambool Pony Club on Friday 14th September.**

**They will include horse trials Grades 1-5 and combined training Grade 5.**

**Entries close on September 7th.**

**Interested students see Ms Cogger for details and entry forms.**

*Jayne Cogger  
Sport Coordinator*



*Wednesday 29, Thursday 30, Friday 31 August &  
Saturday 1 September  
7.30pm Hamilton PAC*

*Tickets on sale from Baimbridge College East office*

*Adults \$18.00  
Pensioner Concession \$13.00  
Student \$8.00  
Family \$40.00*

# **The Science Experience is a fun three-days of science activities for Year 9 and 10 students in 2012.**

Each program is designed to provide students who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities under the guidance of scientists who love their work.

The program takes place in over thirty-seven universities and tertiary institutions, within many different laboratories and lecture theatres. Participants perform experiments in the laboratories, meet and hear senior lecturers in the lecture theatres, attend site visits and walk around and experience what it is like to be on the campus of a university or tertiary institution. More than 53,000 students have taken this rare opportunity, up to date.

The program also provides information about further studies in science, technology and engineering. It highlights the wide range of careers that allow students to pursue their interest and abilities in the sciences.

One aspect of the programs often commented on by participants is the opportunity to meet and share ideas with students from different schools. Each program includes a BBQ or other social activity.

## **New Programs in 2012**

Volcanoes Discovery Centre at Peshurst, Victoria - a two day program of on-site field work at Mt Rouse and Mt Eccles Tunnel cave. This program is especially for those who are interested in Geological field work. Sponsorship available for registration and accommodation, contact National office.

Any Year 9 and 10 student is welcome to attend any one of the programs, and the cost is subsidised by our local Rotary Clubs. Complete sponsorship is offered for the first 2 students who apply.

For more information see Mrs Ward or visit <http://www.scienceexperience.com.au>

Applications for some of the Experiences are starting to close.

**Baimbridge College**

**2012 Vietnam/Cambodia Trip**

**Fundraiser Film night.**

*Hamilton Cinema*

*Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> August*

*7 for 7.30pm start*

*\$20 per person*

Funds raised will be donated to assist charities and communities we visit on the trip.

Tickets available from East General office

*Includes delicious home made supper!*

**“The Sapphires”**



**Director: Wayne Blair**      **Writers: Tony Briggs, Keith Thompson**

**Stars: Chris O'Dowd, Deborah Mailman and Jessica Mauboy**

1968 was the year that changed the world. And for four young Aboriginal sisters from a remote mission this is the year that would change their lives forever. Around the globe, there was protest and revolution in the streets. Indigenous Australians finally secured the right to vote. There were drugs and the shock of a brutal assassination. And there was Vietnam. The sisters, Cynthia, Gail, Julie and Kay are discovered by Dave, a talent scout with a kind heart, very little rhythm but a great knowledge of soul music. Billed as Australia's answer to 'The Supremes', Dave secures the sisters their first true gig, and fly's them to Vietnam to sing for the American troops. Based on a true story, THE SAPPHIRES is a triumphant celebration of youthful emotion, family and music.