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NEWSLETTER

German exchange student Jan Wohlfart arrived from Bonn this week. He is seen here with his host James Tooley of Year 10C.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Italian Trip :

At the end of term II it was confirmed that Baimbridge College, along with Grovedale Secondary College and Belmont Secondary College from Geelong, had been accepted into the Department of Education's Overseas Learning Experience Program. This involves a total of 25 students from all three schools going to Florence, Italy in January 2013 for one month. During their stay students will be billeted with an Italian family and will study subjects such as Fashion, Design and Hospitality at a school in Florence. This is an outstanding opportunity for six Baimbridge College students who will also visit special venues associated with their study during the visit. They will also spend a number of days in Rome seeing some of the world famous venues that we have all come to recognise such as the Colosseum and the Vatican. I have no doubt that the experience will broaden their understanding of the language and culture of Italy and the possible career opportunities that will become available with a second language and an appreciation the global community that we exist in.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TERM 3
JULY
Monday 16 Term 3 commences
Wednesday 25 4—6 football
Thursday 26 Girls football
Friday 27 GD Field & Game shoot
Tuesday 31 English competition
AUGUST
Thursday 2 Jeans 4 Genes casual dress day—must include jeans
Friday 3 Year 6 Transition day
Monday 6 District PD—Student free day - **CANCELLED**
Wednesday 8 VCE information night
Tuesday 14 ICAS maths competition
Jnr boys football
Friday 17 Yr 7 immunisation
Ski trip departs
Thursday 23 Casual Dress day—Daffodil Day dress yellow fundraiser.
Monday 27 School production full day rehearsal
Tuesday 28 School production matinee
Wednesday 29—Friday 31 School production 'The Wedding Singer'

School Council – 4th Monday of month

State Hockey :

A number of Baimbridge College students competed in the Junior State Hockey Championships at the State Hockey Centre in Melbourne during the first week of the school holidays. Congratulations to Scarlett Hutchins, Lachlan McIntyre and Zeke Banfield who represented the South West Country Eagles in different age groups in the championships. Not only is it a wonderful achievement to be selected in the representative squad but all students acquitted themselves extremely well in the competition.

Past Students :

I have recently had contact with two past students who are well on their way in their chosen careers. Recently Ashleigh Witham, our 2010 Sheepvention Fashion Design Award winner returned to Hamilton after having successfully completed her training with the Victoria Police Force. I believe that she is currently based in Hamilton so we may see her around for a while.

The second student to contact me is Yun Fei Han, Yun Fei was our Thalheimer Scholarship winner when he completed Year 12 in 2008 and one of my Chemistry students. Yun Fei is currently studying a Masters Degree in Biomedicine at Australian National University (ANU) and is currently his year level's clinical representative.

Well done to Ashleigh and Yun Fei and I would encourage any other of our past students to contact us to let us know how they are progressing.

Solar Power :

I would like to thank Mr Josh Franks for the time and effort he has dedicated to applying for funding from the federal government for the use of solar energy at Baimbridge College. He was also responsible for arranging for the purchase and installation of the panels and infra structure during these past school holidays. Mr Franks was at school for most of the first week of the holidays. We will organise a special ceremony to recognise this achievement in coming weeks and look forward to creating some of our own electricity for use in our school.

Reports :

Mid-year reports were prepared and distributed at the end of term II. Any student or parent who has not yet collected the report can do so from the office on the east campus.

Information Nights :

Term III marks the beginning of preparations for 2013. As such VCE and Year 9 / 10 Information Nights will be held during this term and an information night for 2013 Year 7 will follow early in term IV. This makes the distribution of reports mentioned above even more important given the need for students to be promoted as a result of their achievement levels and their work practices. Good work habits become increasingly important as students progress through the year levels, with unprecedented effort and commitment required for success in the later years of schooling.

End of term II :

During my absence from school at the end of term II our Year 10 students were completing their second week of work experience and our Year 9 students were involved in their trip to Tasmania or the local career based program here at Baimbridge College. All reports I have received about these programs have been very positive and I would like to compliment all students and staff involved.

Exchange Student :

I would like to welcome a young man who has come a long way to spend time with us here at Baimbridge College. Jan Wohlfart is a German exchange student who arrived in Hamilton from Bonn in Germany this week. Jan (pronounced 'yarn') will be in Year 10 for the next five months. He is living with the Tooley family while he is here, currently in class with James Tooley in 10C. I am sure that everyone in our community will make him feel welcome.

Reunion :

The class of 1955 had a reunion recently, with members of that year at Hamilton High School meeting in Hamilton during our recent school holidays. The group were provided with a private tour of the facilities by Assistant Principal Miss Rosemary Morgan. Judging by the lovely thank you note from Mrs Judy Naylor, it would appear that everyone thoroughly enjoyed their time meeting up and looking through their old school.

School Council:

The next meeting of School Council takes place on Monday night, 23rd July. The meeting will begin at 7.30pm in the Hamilton District Skill Centre.

Sheepvention :

Monday 4th August is the annual Sheepvention celebration in Hamilton. As in recent years this is NOT a public holiday. Initial arrangements by district schools to arrange professional development for all district teachers recently fell through. As a consequence Monday 4th August will be a normal school day for all staff and students at Baimbridge College with the professional development being re scheduled for later in the year.

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**
July 23—27	23 Phyllis Speirs	24 Sally Wheeler	25 Janet Gore	26	27 Bernie Humphries
July 30—August 3	30	31 Gill Hiscock	August 01 Lea-Anne Warburton	02	03 Helen Edmondson

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July 23—27	23 Stacey Crumpton	24 Vicki Kearney	25 Nicole Teasdale (pm)	26 Lesley	27 Jo Bennetts
July 30—August 3	30 Jody Golding	31 Lisa McIntyre	August 01	02 Lesley	03 Aileen Broadbent

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

YEAR 12 VCAL FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE

The year 12 VCAL class are currently holding a Father's Day raffle to raise money for the Prostate Cancer Foundation.

- 1st prize 1 night's accommodation for 2 at Parkview on St Kilda Road; Webber BBQ and accessories
- 2nd prize Dinner for 2 at Darriwill Farm; men's haircut from Affair with Hair
- 3rd prize car seat covers; sundry items

Drawn on 31st August. Buy 3 tickets or more to go into the draw to win 4 footy tickets at the MCG. Footy tickets drawn on the 17th August.

Tickets $2 each

We would like to thank all the businesses that donated the prizes, supporting a great cause.

Tickets on sale until 31st August from the school Tuesdays at the VCE Centre and Wednesdays at the HDSC . Monday, Thursday and Friday first 20 minutes of lunch time in the East covered way.

REMINDER RE: EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

Any parent/guardian who is eligible for Education Maintenance Allowance, period 2 and DID NOT apply for the first instalment at this school, application forms are available from the school and should be returned by Friday, 3 August.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to term three!

Apparently everybody made the most of the holidays, with all sorts of exciting and happy activities taking place. There was quite a bit of adventurous, sensible **risk-taking and learning** with a few too, which helps to develop strong life skills and problem solving. Good work and great to hear! We were **so impressed** on our first day back to see the excellent standard of uniform on all of our Primary students. They were so **proud** and amazing, standing up singing our National Anthem on Monday morning!

Unfortunately we had to cancel our Junior **Hoop Time** basketball day for this Thursday, because we didn't have enough forms back to fill even one team. The three people who did return their forms are very disappointed, as am I, because it's a great introduction to a great sport and heaps of fun all day. Hopefully, next year will be different.

Leanne Dennert still has an immaculate, **size 10** school **skirt** for sale, if you'd like a bargain buy. It's in new condition and freshly dry cleaned for only **$50!** It will be an excellent purchase!!

Taekwondo with Muhktar will be starting again next Friday and we are all very excited about that. The skills, respect and positive attitudes shown by all of our students is outstanding now!

On the afternoon of August 2nd we will be walking down to the PAC for a performance of Tim Winton's, The Bugalugs Bum Thief, which should be very exciting and will give us some great insights into performance activity. There will be no charge to you for this performance.

Junior School Team

HAMILTON JUNIOR BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
Presents
AUSSIE HOOPS
For children born in 2005 & 2006

8 week program on Sundays from 3-4pm @ HILAC
Dates: 26 Aug-16 Sept, 14 Oct-4 Nov

Cost: $60 inc pack (ball, backpack, tshirt, drink bottle)

Rego night: July 23 & 27 at HILAC 5 -6pm
(money will need to be paid then to secure spot)

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