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NEWSLETTER



Year 8 students Molly Golding and Georgia Gilbert at the Bogong Camp last week.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Financial Literacy :

All Year 9 and 10 students were provided with some very sound advice about their finances recently. In a presentation sponsored by the Commonwealth Bank, students were provided with information to help them with the use of credit cards and how to budget their expenses. This seminar has the potential to be invaluable to students given the number of people in our society that lose control of their finances and find themselves in debt. If students were to take away only half of the advice that was provided they will be much more in control of their money than many we hear of the media every day.

Mathletics :

The use of this excellent Mathematics program has been expanded this year. The program is web based and gives students the opportunity to compete against other students across the world in answering Maths questions as well as challenge and teach themselves concepts even when they are at home. The statistics of student use show that this has been a great innovation in our Mathematics classes. The statistics that are most impressive are the number of correct answers from different year levels : Year 10 (100 students) over 25,000, Year 7 (80 students) over 30,000, Year 8 (100 students) over

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TERM 2 –

MAY

Tuesday 29 'Verbal Combat' Brainstorm Productions

Wednesday 30 GSSSA cross country

JUNE

Tuesday 5 ICAS Science test

Wednesday 6 4-6 football

Monday 11 Queen's birthday

Wednesday 13 VCE exams

Thursday 14 VCE GAT

Friday 15 Report writing day – pupil free

Monday 18 – Friday 29 Year 10 work experience

ICAS writing test

Tuesday 19 ICAS spelling test

Wednesday 20 4-6 football

Friday 22 Presentation ball

Monday 25 – 29 Year 9 Tasmania trip

Friday 29 Term 2 ends 2.30 dismissal

School Council – 4th Monday of month

21,000 and Year 4 and 5 (30 students) over 6,500. Given the number of students in each group this is a wonderful indication of the level of use and the success students are having using Mathematics.

Bridge Cafe :

Every Wednesday our Cert II Hospitality students are running the 'Bridge Café' from the Hamilton District Skills Centre. They provide drinks, including coffees like caffè latte, and espresso as well as lunch items like toasted sandwiches and freshly baked brownies. If you are going past at lunch time on a Wednesday pop in and buy your lunch from our hospitality students – you won't regret it. The coffee is great !

Regional Athletics

Congratulations to the Baimbridge College athletics team who performed brilliantly last Friday in Warrnambool. I would like to especially acknowledge Jackie Barker, Eric Guthrie and Casey Pye, who will all be progressing to the State Championships. Well done Jackie Barker on winning four separate medallions in different events. A full report follows later in the Newsletter.

VCAL Projects :

As in past years our VCAL students are undertaking projects within the school community and beyond. This year a group of students is working with the Western District Health Service to teach students how easy it is to have a healthy breakfast every morning. With the advice of a dietician the students are organising breakfast for students on Thursday mornings, once again from the Hamilton District Skill Centre. The program will run for 8 weeks and today was the third morning that breakfast was provided. Last week students were able to have scrambled eggs for breakfast and as the program proceeds there will be more examples of breakfasts that students can make themselves so that they get a healthy start to each day.

Rearing Calves in Science :

Our Science teachers have once again made use of the Australian Dairy Corporation offer to look after and feed young calves at school. A roster has already started where students feed the calves and look after them. The calves will be with us for 3 weeks and they provide an excellent opportunity for students to take some responsibility in tending for them and monitoring their progress. There is a more complete report later in the newsletter.

Presentation Ball :

Practice was held again on Sunday afternoon. Our Presentation couples seem to be making good progress and appear to be quite good at the dancing to which they are being introduced. I would like to inform parents that they will also have a chance to hit the dance floor at the ball, beginning with a Pride of Erin. So mum, dad, uncle auntie you may want to remind yourself of those dance steps since you will be invited up to dance after the students have been presented on the 22nd June. I would like to once again thank the parents who are working on the decorations and general organisation for their support. Without them the ball would simply not take place. We look forward to another wonderful night on the 22nd June.

East Campus Drama Room :

The buildings at Baimbridge College have been put in place over a great many years. The Drama Room on the East Campus used to be the Konong Wootong South Primary School before it was moved to Hamilton. I was speaking to a former student of Konong Wootong South Primary on the weekend and she was celebrating her 92nd birthday and she could describe exactly the one room school that we currently use for instrumental music.

Access to Newsletters :

Baimbridge College produces a newsletter each week that is distributed to students on Thursdays. Any parents who are experiencing problems accessing the newsletter can have alternative access via the Baimbridge College website or by contacting our front office, 55722788, so that they can 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 (Year 5-7)	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 (Year 11 and 12)	Miss Sue Smith
Student Wellbeing	Miss Rhiannon Smith
Co-ordinator VET / VCAL	Mr Steven de Man
Co-ordinator Year 9/10 Netbook	Mrs Kym Dempsey
Co-ordinator	

Robert Vecchiet Principal

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2—WEST CAMPUS

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
May 28— June 1	28 Jody Golding	29 Sally Wheeler	30 Lea-Anne Warburton	31 Rosemary Rowland (am)	June 01 Danae Sciascia
June 4—8	4 HELPER NEEDED	5 Gill Hiscock	6 HELPER NEEDED	7 Kerry Goodman	8 Bernie Humphries

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

BLAZERS

Accurate Clothing Company in Gray Street are preparing to place a second order for Baimbridge College school blazers. For any families interested in purchasing one of these, you will need to visit Accurate Clothing to be fitted. (Not Baimbridge College)

Total cost of blazer is \$210 with a deposit of \$140.00

**FOOD REVOLUTION
CLASS
YEAR 9/10**

On the 27th April our class created a herb garden, including oregano, mint, basil, fennel, coriander, parsley, rosemary, lemon balm, lemon grass, chives, garlic chives, sage and thyme. This will be used with our fresh produce objective.

Students volunteered their skill within five tasks:

Cutting the stakes—Sam, Kyrra, Lachlan Mc, Kimberley, Danielle

Burning engraving the stakes—Brodie, Elisha, Ashlea

Digging the garden—James, Matthew, Kieren, Claydon

Planting the herbs—Joshua and Breanna

Mulching and watering—Abbey

The students have a weekly roster for weeding and watering the garden.

We are grateful to every one that donated herbs, and to Mr Kennett for instructing the students in the cutting of stakes and engraving.

*Mrs Jenny Crawford
Teacher*



**SUPPLYING ALCOHOL
TO TEENAGERS
COULD NOW COST YOU
A \$7,000 FINE**

It is illegal to supply alcohol to anyone under 18 in your home, unless you have their parents' permission. Anyone breaking the law could be fined more than \$7,000.

Visit the website to:

- Get more information about the law, how to comply with it, and how it will be enforced.
- Find out how many young people drink, why and how much.
- Learn more about how to talk to your children about underage drinking.
- See what influence you have on when, what and how much your child drinks.
- Get more information and support.



www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/teendrinkinglaw

 VicHealth  Australian Drug Foundation 



HDSA CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the following students for proudly representing Baimbridge College at the interschool (Primary) cross country last Wednesday.

9 Year Old	Justin Bray Anthony Ellis Georgina Hunter Indie Kenny Gemma Baty
10 Year Old	Ben Price Cody Ledger
11 Year Old	Jordi O'Brien Joel LeRoy Sam Bishop Dom Hann Sophie Kenny Nea Gordon Taylor Hunter Zoe Baty
12 Year Old	Zac Hann Josh Taynton Patrick McGregor- Rhodes Bianna Power Brooke Brabham

The day was perfect for the event and all of our students were excited with only a few hampered by nerves. They were dropped off at their starting points, which they were familiar following our own cross country held as part of our selection process, and were soon off and racing! It was a fierce competition against six other schools with only the first 8 competitors for each age level progressing to the next level in Warrnambool. It was a long 2kms for our 9 and 10 year old competitors, especially Justin, Georgina and Gemma who are only 7 and raced against students two years older in some cases. The 11 and 12 year olds ran an extra kilometre to complete a lengthy 3kms in total. It was a mighty performance by all of them! While no-one has qualified for Warrnambool, Zoe Baty only just missed out, finishing 9th in her age group, a tremendous effort against so many other talented runners.

Congratulations to all of you and a big thankyou to Mrs Peters for driving the school bus, Mr Johnson for first aid and Mrs Kavanagh for assisting at the finish line.

Mrs Priscilla Jury

BARWON SOUTH WEST ATHLETICS— WARRNAMBOOL RESULTS

Baimbridge College hauled home 6 gold, 10 silver and 7 bronze medals on Friday 18th due to the extremely small but talented performances by our athletes.

Best Performances

Jackie Barker— 1st 400m, 1st 800m, 1st 1500m, 2nd relay
Eric Guthrie—1st Javelin, 1st 1500m (new record 4.31 min), 3rd 800m, 2nd High Jump
Charles Murrrie—2nd Javelin, 4th Discus
Casey Pye—1st Shot Put, 2nd Discus
Jenna Loats—2nd Triple Jump
Josh Pepper—2nd Hurdles, 2nd 400m, 4th 200m
James Anagnostou—3rd 1500m
Mikayla Beavis—3rd High Jump
13 & under boys relay team - Sam Tooley, Angus McIntyre, Nathan Storer, Mitch Land em . Tom Jelliff
4th
15 & under girls relay team—Hayley Nield, Krystal Dowell, Rachel Marti & Chelsea Glare—Mikayla Beavis (injured) 3rd
16 & under girls relay team—Jackie Barker, Maddie Stone, Maddie Elliott, Karlee Smith—2nd

Congratulations to all athletes. We are very proud of you all and wish competitors who finished 1st all the best at the State Finals in Melbourne in October.

*Jen McArthur/Jayne Cogger
Sport Coordinators*

WELFARE NEWS

The VCAL Healthy breakfast program has continued to be a great success over the last few weeks. Approximately 100 students are arriving at the HDSC each Thursday morning for the free healthy meal.

The VCAL girls along with a dietician from the Western District Health Service have deliberately designed the menu to be foods that are fast to make and eat, as well as healthy and easy on the hip pocket. So far they have made breakfast muffins, raisin toast and scrambled eggs. This morning they served up crumpets.

The girls are hoping to show the students just how easy it can be to have breakfast and the benefits that they can have by eating the most important meal of the day including improved concentration in class, not being starving at recess and modified moods. The program will continue to run on a Thursday morning from the HDSC.

We would also like to thank the the following sponsors for their generosity. Grange Dairy for the donation of milk, David Oliver Natural Honey for the donation of honey, AH & LM Oliver for the donation of eggs and Baker's Delight Hamilton for the donation of bread. We would also like to thank Mr Tony McGillivray and the HDSC for their continued support of the program.

*Rhiannon Smith
Welfare Coordinator*



FEEDING THE CALVES

BOGONG CAMP

Earlier this term a group of year 8's were lucky enough to be selected to go to Bogong Outdoor Education Centre for a 5 day camp. We had to leave Hamilton very early on Monday morning. It was an 8 hour drive but we found ways to entertain ourselves on the bus. When we arrived we thought Bogong was the "awesomest" place ever (we just wish there wasn't as many stairs!). We did lots of outdoor activities such as abseiling, rock climbing, mountain bike riding, high ropes course, orienteering, canoeing and trust activities. We made heaps of new friends from the other school that came with us who were Year 9 students from Brauer College, Warrnambool. Bogong was the best camp we have ever been on. If you ever get the chance to go to Bogong Outdoor Education Centre we highly recommend you grasp the opportunity with both hands and make the most out of the great experiences to be had.

Georgia Gilbert and Ally Mills

(see photos included in this Newsletter)

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

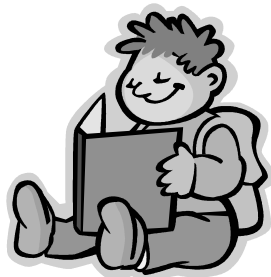
It has been great this week, to see all of our Junior School students wearing full school uniform! Everyone seems to be behaving better too. Keep it up all you wonderful Mums and Dads!

Congratulations also, on the excellent standard of healthy and interesting lunches we are seeing. That certainly contributes to positive learning and play, as well making happy and healthy children.

Now that the dust has settled from Grade 3 Naplan week, we in Grade 4 are focussing on the on-line testing, ready for our report writing.

Next week on Thursday morning, we have the Art excursion to our amazing Art Gallery to view the installation **Bunjil's Nest** and learn about Aboriginal culture. This will be a very exciting learning experience, because it is presented in conjunction with the National Gallery of Victoria. Any students not in full, clean uniform on that day will not be going with us.

Please make some time to hear your child **reading** each day and if you have the time, spend ten minutes reading to them, especially at bed time. They love to hear stories and it encourages them to read their own. Your interest and involvement with their reading is a **huge influence** on their results.



Junior School Team



BOGONG CAMP