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NEWSLETTER

Italian P.E. Teacher Ms Elisabetta Biraghi receives a small gift from Isaac Povey and Aimee Crawford of Year 7 , as a memento of her short visit.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Italian Visitor :

At the beginning of term III, last week, we welcomed an Italian Physical Education teacher to Baimbridge College. Ms Elisabetta Biraghi came to spend 10 days at Baimbridge College to see how we work and to teach some P.E. classes with Miss Cogger and Mr Fisher. Ms Biraghi also helped in some of our Italian language classes and worked hand in hand with our language assistant Miss Ilaria Daneluz and Italian teachers Mr Fenton Colliton and Mr Marco Antonelli. Ms Biraghi returned to Italy yesterday, flying out at 10.00pm, where she will return to work teaching in her home town of Nova Milanese which we will be visiting as part of our Italian trip in January. I would like to thank Mrs Heather Ross for providing accommodation for our Italian visitor during her stay here in Hamilton.

International Flavour :

There has been a distinct international flavour to our school this past week with Ms Biraghi teaching, our German exchange

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TERM 3
JULY
Wednesday 25 4—6 football
Careers in Health Day, WDHS, Yrs 10 & 11
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—postponed
Monday 6 District PD/Student free day - **CANCELLED . Normal school day—all students to attend**
Wednesday 8 Careers in Agriculture, RIST
VCE information night
VTAC evening Year 12, Hamilton College
Tuesday 14 ICAS maths competition
Jnr boys football
Ski trip departs
Friday 17 Yr 7 immunisations
Sunday 19 Year 12 bus to Melbourne Uni Open Day
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

student Jan Wohlfart arriving last week, the new German exchange student Florian Fechner beginning this week and the anticipation of the arrival of our Italian exchange student next week. I could not be more pleased with the manner in which our school community has welcomed our visitors. I have even had requests from students to billet any future exchange students with them.
The focus on Italian language has brought native speakers into our school and as a result I have heard staff and students speaking a lot more Italian as I moved around the school. Let us hope that this is just the beginning of an increased awareness of the importance of LOTE and the benefits it can bring to our community.

Year 11 and 12 Information Night :

This evening is scheduled for Wednesday 8th August at 7.30pm in the VCE Centre on the east campus. This very important event will provide students and parents with information about the different courses that we offer at Year 11 and Year 12. Other information that will be covered includes the expectations of students necessary for successful completion of study at this level and the variety of subjects that we offer as well as the processes we use to determine which of these will run in 2013. I would strongly suggest that parents and students take the opportunity to find out what is available and what is required of them as they enter Year 11 and 12.

Year 9 /10 Information Night :

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

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.

Sheepvention :

Monday 6th 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 6th 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.

West Australian Links :

At Monday night's School Council meeting council members heard of a trip to Western Australia that has the potential to form strong links with a koorie school in remote Western Australia. Hamilton District Skill Centre Manager, Mr Tony MacGillivray, recently personally delivered a coffee making machine to Yiyili, a koorie school a full day's drive inland from Broome. Here the students were taught how to make coffee so that they could sell them to tourists visiting their community and Gilly also taught the students cooking skills. This first visit was met with a lot of enthusiasm from our colleagues in Western Australia and we look forward to strengthening the relationship and possibly organising an exchange between the two schools.

School Review :

Our school reviewer has recently returned her draft report to us for approval. Once some minor alterations are made the report will be made available to School Council and staff. Council will then use the report to help determine strategies to improve the quality of educational outcomes for our students. The report recommendations will be used to develop a strategic plan for the next four years and the annual implementation plans that we use to guide us each 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 30—August 3	30	31 Gill Hiscock	August 01 Lea-Anne Warburton	02	03 Helen Edmondson
August 6—10	06	07	08	09	10

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3—EAST CAMPUS					
DATE	**MONDAY**	**TUESDAY**	**WEDNESDAY**	**THURSDAY**	**FRIDAY**
July 30—August 3	30 Jody Golding	31 Lisa McIntyre	August 01	02 Lesley	03 Aileen Broadbent
August 6—10	06 Danni Sarena	07 Lyn Battista	08	09 Lesley	10

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

THE BUGALUGS BUM THIEF CORRECTION

This performance is not on Thursday as I had previously written. As you know by now, Tim Winton's, The Bugalugs Bum Thief performance will be at the **PAC on Friday, August 3rd.** Please ensure that the permission form for this excursion is returned to school, so that your child does not miss out on this excellent event. My apologies for any confusion.

Parent Helpers

Ms D is still looking for **parent helpers** to come in first thing in the morning to hear her students read. This would preferably be before school at about 8:40 for 15 minutes, or at any time you would like to suggest really. It is just so important that our children have the opportunities to read to as many audiences as possible, especially in the early years to establish strong skills and habits. Please put a note in a diary or phone the school to let us know if you would be willing to help. If you can **read to your child** at home, that is brilliant and enjoyable learning for them and great together time!

Fresh Fruit Fridays

Due to the new Government cutbacks, we will no longer be providing fruit for our students on a regular basis, so please try to put a piece of fruit in their lunch boxes each day as they all love to eat it.

Jump Rope for Heart

We are planning on having our Jump Off day on the 12th September at this stage, so stay tuned for more information as it arrives. In the mean time, get out the skipping ropes and **start jumping**!

Junior School Team

STATE CROSS COUNTRY FINALS

A big round of applause to our Cross Country State Final competitors who ran extremely well in Melbourne last week. Jackie Barker finished 11th in a time of 10.52 and Tom Hiscock finished 42nd out of 150 in a time of 10.26 for the 3km race. We are proud of your performances. Congratulations.

Jayne Cogger
Sport Coordinators

Want to earn some cash over summer or your Gap Year?
Become a lifeguard at the Hamilton Indoor Leisure and Aquatic Centre or one of the Southern Grampian Shire's outdoor pools.
To find out more about what's involved in the job and how to become a lifeguard come to our information session at HILAC on: Wednesday 15th August, 4:00pm – 5:00pm.

CAREERS NEWS

Year 12 students:
VERY IMPORTANT:
Students and Parents Please Note:
There is a VTAC information evening for all VCE students in Hamilton on August 8th at 7pm at Hamilton and Alexandra College. This is an important opportunity to be informed with your parents of the questions you may have about the application and selection process followed to get to university. VTAC are the experts and attendance at this evening is highly recommended for all university aspirants, with or without parents.
There will be an Open Day bus to Melbourne University Sunday Aug 19th available to students and parents for $20 a head -pay now to secure a seat. The bus will leave at approx 6:30am and return approx 7pm. Priority is given to year 12students. If spaces available year 11 and 10 students will be offered space. Book early with Mrs Collins and payment to the East Office please.
We are now into the Open Day period of all Tertiary opportunities. A display has been created in the VCE centre and students are invited to look at all the options.
There are many course guides available to look at and these are also available on the Net if you want to download or read.
All students are encouraged to visit one or two campuses to see what the options are available and to get a feel for the place they may spend the next three or four years in study.
Research on the Net is easy these days and I would expect many students have apps on their phones that keep them up to date with the university of their choice.
All Universities have monthly newsletters and updates on course changes and I would expect any student wishing to attend any kind of tertiary institution would have a link saved in Favourites. If you haven't done that yet try to do so in the next couple of weeks and research events on Open Days. The program at Open Day is usually hectic and you may have to see what is available on line to use you time wisely when visiting a campus.

Open Days are a lot of fun and are a good day out for all the family with plenty of freebies and free entertainment.
Try one and let me know how it went.

TAFE Taster was held last Friday with nearly 30 students from our school looking at TAFE courses in Building, Engineering, Automotive, Media, Makeup and Childcare. Mrs Hogan organised permission slips and lists for the day

Careers in Health Day for years 10 & 11 will be held on the 25th July at the local Hospital. 6 year 10 girls signed up to attend and look at the options.

Careers in Agriculture for year 9 is on the 8th Aug at RIST. Students have nominated to go and selected activities to participate in. Mrs Hogan has been involved in the selection of students and permission slip organisation.

Kerren Collins
Careers

"Casey-Jo Peach and Mrs Crawford at the coffee machine in Cafe On Gray. Mrs Crawford is one of many teachers who volunteered to visit students out on work experience placements and had missed Casey-Jo at the horse stables during the first week. Who then took the photo? Why Mrs Collins of course who did not mind taste testing the coffee as well."

Hooptime at H.I.L.A.C

Baimbridge Breakers:
I improved my running and I had a magnificent day. Most of my team got heaps of throws to each other but we lost by one point. [Kyle]
I had a magnificent day and tried hard but next time I'll try harder after I've trained a lot more and are fitter. [Yasmine]

I think it was a fun and great experience for everyone and I hope I get better for next year.[Dom}
Hoop time was great. I got to meet lots of people from other schools. We didn't win every game but we tried our hardest. [Patrick]
Well I had a fantastic day. My coaches, Jazz and Wade were really nice, helpful and gave us confidence. [Paige]
Baimbridge Bucks:
Our coaches, Sam and Deanna, were encouraging us to play better. Deanna told us easy things to do like run straight through the middle and it easier to throw far so others can run to get it. It was a fun experience and I want to try it again.{ Brianna]
My day was great. We won most of them but the last one we lost as we were all tired. I wish I could do it again.[Mitch]
Our coaches were really supporting and encouraged us to try harder than we were. They were nice.{ Jesse]
The time was really nice and everyone was throwing the ball to everyone so they could have a go. Our coaches, Sam and Deanna were told us to jump and kind of hit the ball to get a goal. [Maddie]
I had a really good day and I improved my shooting and dribbling skills. I was good at rebounds and intercepts. I saw some people from my other school too.[Jackson]
Future Stars:
I had an excellent day and I improved on my running. It was a very fun experience. I learnt to share the ball more often going down the court. [Sam]
I'd like to thank Mrs Jury and Mrs Edwards for organising Hooptime and the coaches. The students behaved well and I hope I can play next year. [Taylor]
Today was a fantastic day and I improved my skills including shooting with two hands. I'm exhausted. [Sophie]
It was a really good experience and I improved my ball skills. Dylan and Jesse were really encouraging and helped score too.{ Joel}
Today was a really awesome and I learnt more skills. Our coaches were fun and very talented as well. My whole time had a fun day. I hope more people put their names down next year.[Caydn]
I reckon our team did a great job. We were very good at passing and shouting. We didn't win many games but tried hard.[Nea]

TAFE TASTER DAY

→ Courtney Kranz and Jess Rigby, year 9 students are seen here choosing makeup for a large eye. This activity relates to a Certificate 2 in Makeup offered at the Hamilton Tafe and was part of the TAFE Taster day program."

The first Tuesday of the school holidays saw the annual school production sleepover - 24 hours in the madhouse, most of which were spent rehearsing. This year's play is The Wedding Singer, based on the 1998 Adam Sandler film, and is set in the 80's. Costumes were brought down on the Tuesday and almost everyone had the opportunity to try on some vintage fashion. Students had intense dance rehearsals for two of the biggest numbers in the show, as well rehearsing and 'blocking' many smaller scenes. On Wednesday we also had the opportunity to practice with a live band, providing a fantastic chance for students to see the musical begin to come together. Of course, it wasn't all work and no play, our down time was filled with pizza, movies, card games and music.

The production sleepover has brought the cast closer as a group of performers, and was invaluable in the creation of multiple scenes. Most importantly, everyone had fun, and that's what production is all about!

QUIZ NIGHT

We would love you to come out for a fun night of quizzical entertainment in support of the *Standing Tall* program

When:

7—10pm on Thursday

2nd August

Where:

Hamilton District Skills Centre

Mt Baimbridge Road

(opposite Baimbridge College near pedestrian lights)

Cost:

$10 per person

What to bring:

A plate of nibbles to share with your table and a brain ready for lots of questions.

HOT & COLD DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED

hdsc Hamilton District Skills Centre

Standing Tall

A school based mentoring program

Bookings:

Call Tracey or Jane to book your seat on 5572 2788

(seats are limited)