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NEWSLETTER

Special guests after our 'Kony 12' assembly – (l-r) Mr Arnold Kruger, Dr Katrina Rainsford, Laura Bennetts, Jessie Milligan, Mayor Bob Penny.

PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Student Representative Council :

On Monday morning we ran our second General Assembly for the term. The theme for the assembly was set by our Student Representative Council. SRC President Laura Bennetts spoke to the school explaining what the SRC was trying to achieve in 2012. She also presented Baimbridge College with a framed certificate in recognition of the fund raising the SRC undertook in 2011 to support a child in Africa.

The main part of the assembly focussed on Joseph Kony in Uganda and his crimes against humanity. The awareness raising session was lead by Year 10 SRC representative Jessie Milligan. The school was shown a short film that is available on the internet. Students were told specifically that the intention was not to raise money but to raise awareness and that they could show their support for the removal of Joseph Kony by signing a document after the assembly. Over 200 students had signed the document by the end of Monday. Jessie also invited special guests to be part of the assembly and we welcomed Mayor Councillor Bob Penny, Councillor Dr Katrina Rainsford and RSL representative Mr Arnold Kruger. Apologies were received from the Hon Dan Tehan MP, Mr John Lowcock from the RSL and Lisa Cameron from the Hamilton Spectator. I

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

TERM 1 -MARCH

Thursday 29 State swimming
Friday 30 **Reports issued**
End Term 1 2.30 dismissal

TERM 2—APRIL

Monday 16 School resumes
Tuesday 17 School photos
Wednesday 25 **ANZAC DAY**
Thursday 26 Parent Teacher interviews 4.00—6.00; 6.30—8.00

May

2-4 Year 12 uni. Trip
Corrected date—apologies for last week's error
Friday 4 Year 7 immunisations
7-11 Year 8 Bogong camp
Monday 7 Senior football div. 2
Tuesday 8 Senior football div. 1
Monday 14 Bob Templeton Shield football Year 9 div. 1
15, 16, 17 NAPLAN
Thursday 17 Year 9 football div. 2
Tuesday 22 ICAS test—comp. skills
Wednesday 23 Open Night
Tuesday 29 'Verbal Combat' Brainstorm Productions
Wednesday 30 GSSSA cross country
Tuesday 5 ICAS Science test
Wednesday 6 4-6 football
Monday 11 Queen's birthday
Wednesday 13 VCE exams
Thursday 14 VCE GAT
Monday 18—Friday 29 Year 10 work experience

School Council – 4th Monday of month

would like to commend the SRC, and Jessie in particular, on their sense of community and global awareness.

Sunsmart :

Baimbridge College has a sunsmart policy that requires all students to wear a hat while outside during term I and IV of each year. I would like to commend our students and staff on their wearing of hats. The vast majority of our school population complies with these requirements well and I feel that we are making a difference to the health of our students in particular. Hats will not be compulsory in term II or III but will be required again in term IV.

School Review :

Baimbridge College is undertaking its four yearly School Review this year. A number of meetings have already been held to determine progress since our last review in 2008. Data from student achievements in NAPLAN testing and VELS levels, Student Attitude to School Surveys and both Parent and Staff Opinion surveys is being used to determine whether goals have been achieved and the directions to set the school for the next four years. Four year goals will be set under the headings of Student Learning, Student Well-Being and Engagement and Student Transitions and Pathways. Miss Rosemary Morgan is overseeing the review process and there will be opportunities for student and parent input as we get closer to our review date. An independent reviewer has been appointed to take us through the process with our initial meeting taking place in the first week of term II.

School Council elections:

Nominations for School Council are now closed. The parent nominations were equal to the number of position so I would like to welcome new member Mr Russell Milligan to School Council. I would also like to welcome back to council Mr Shaun McIntyre and Mr Ian Roberts.
I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Liz Anagnostou who did not re nominate for Council this time around. Liz has been a valued member of our School Council and I hope she will be able to re join us in the not too distant future.
Once our two staff positions are filled we will meet with the new Council on Monday 23rd April to fill the two community member positions that are being vacated by Mr Graeme Scott and Mrs Geraldine McDonald.

Reports :

Staff have written interim reports for students for term I. These reports are a brief guide to how students are progressing and will be distributed at the end of the school day tomorrow at 2.30pm. We will follow up the distribution of these reports with a parent / teacher interview afternoon/ evening on Thursday 26th April. This interview process provides the opportunity to discuss student progress and for parents and teachers to meet early on in the academic year. Students will be provided with information about the time and venue for the interviews when they return from the term I vacation.

Student Insurance :

School Council have asked me to pass on information about student insurance to parents and families. We have received information about 24 hour per day insurance for students and feel that families should have the opportunity to investigate this further. I would like to make clear that School Council is not endorsing this product. School Council is simply making the information available to parents for them to make their own value judgements. Information is available at www.studentcover.com.au

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 from their son or daughter can have alternative access via the Baimbridge College website or by contacting Mrs Heather Armstrong in our front office, 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list.

End of Term :

Tomorrow, Friday 30th March is the last day of term I and students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Students are required back for classes to begin Term II on Monday 16th April.
I would like to wish everyone a safe holiday period and look forward to seeing everyone bright and ready to go at the start of term II.

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 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

FORTHCOMING EVENTS (continued)

June

Monday 18	ICAS writing test
Tuesday 19	ICAS spelling test
Wednesday 20	4—6 football
Friday 22	Presentation Ball
Friday 29	Term 2 ends 2.30 dismissal

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2
WEST CAMPUS

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
April 16—20	16 Phyllis Speirs	17 Lyn Duncan	18 Kerry Goodman	19 Julie Breban	20 Danae Sciascia
April 23—27	23 Jody Golding	24 Sally Wheeler	25 Lea-Anne Warburton	26 Rosemary Rowland (am)	27 Lyndel Delahoy

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2
EAST CAMPUS

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
April 16—20	16 Jody Golding	17 Tracey Sartain	18 HELPER NEEDED	19 Lesley	20 Glenys Dow-nes
April 23—27	23 Danni Sarena	24 Lisa McIntyre	25 Jenny Cumming	26 Lesley	27 Jo Bennetts

STANDING TALL REMINDER

Can all parents who have not yet returned Program and Photographic permission forms and survey, please return them in the provided stamped and addressed envelopes or return them to Tracey or Jane at the Standing Tall office.

FOR SALE
CAS CALCULATOR (colour)

Brand new (never used). Suitable for years 9,10, 11 and 12 maths. Price $160.
See Mrs Smith in the VCE Centre or as at the east general office if you are interested.

Hamilton Soccer Club 2012
Activities for Juniors 6 to 14 years

- **Commencing** Saturday 21 April to 15 September (Terms 2 & 3)
- **Warrnambool & District Soccer League Under 15 Competition – Hamilton will enter a full 11 a side team**
- **Warrnambool & District Soccer League Under 12 Competition – Hamilton will enter two full 11 a side teams**
- From **9.30am to 11.00am**
- Register on 21 April & 27 April from 9.00am
- **Mitchell Park, Mt. Napier Road, Hamilton**
- Junior Girls and Boys welcomed including beginners
- Emphasis on fun, having a go and healthy outdoor exercise
- Coaching and training take place in appropriate age groups
- Membership Fees for 2012 (includes registration & insurance with Football (Soccer) Federation Victoria: **$65 per child** under 18 years at 01.01.2012
- **$60 per child** with two or more from one family registering
- Each session includes a small-sided game
- The Club's Under 12 competition runs from June to September
- We arrange occasional "friendly" matches against other clubs
- Parents and volunteers interested in coaching and managing the age groups on Saturday mornings are asked to register their interest with Ralph Behrendt 5572 1144

For any enquiries please contact Ken Cameron on 5572 5654 or email hamiltonsoccerclub@gmail.com

HAMILTON PASTORAL & AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.

Sheepvention Student Inventions Competition 2012.

To encourage student's creative thinking.

Criteria:
Innovative idea, with a working model.
Idea can be anything to do with agriculture, home and garden, computer programs, technology or environmental.
Idea can be simple, or complex.
Open to all prep to year 12 students.

Requirements:
Description of idea, and its use. (Written)
A working model or a computer generated demonstration (computer program), models can be made of any material ie meccano, wood, steel, lego etc.

Entries
Free Entry.
Junior and Senior school sections.
A maximum of 5 entries per school per section.
Entries presented for display during Sheepvention by 12pm Sunday the 5th August

Awards
Best overall invention 1st, 2nd and 3rd
Best Innovative idea 1st, 2nd and 3rd
Best working model, or program 1st, 2nd and 3rd
Encouragement Award Primary
Encouragement Award Secondary

Entries will be available from April 2012, for more Information please contact:
Sheepvention office 55 722 563
Simon 0428722661
trade@sheepvention.com.au

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Not many sleeps until the Easter Bunny comes now, to all the good children.

In the lead up to the holidays though, we will be holding our Junior Sports day on Thursday followed by a make-your-own healthy lunch in the Junior kitchen, so sports uniforms should be worn on Thursday and you don't need to provide lunch on the day either. Just snacks for the morning.

Next term we will be having swimming classes at HILAC from April 23rd to 27th, with Anzac Day out, so we will have four, one hour sessions of intensive swimming. The cost will be approximately $35, but you'll be notified of final figures by the end of this week.

We have all had a wonderful first term and we are looking forward to an even better second term.
KEEP READING!!
We wish you all a very happy and safe holiday with lots of yummy Easter eggs, hot cross buns and lots of laughter.

Junior School Team

CAREERS NEWS

*Arrangements are progressing for the Year 12 tour of Tertiary/University options covering five universities and 7 campuses.
Year 10 & 11 students are always recommended to attend the many open days these institutions have each year. Look at it as a shopping trip for your future.

*Careers Faculty have been approached to offer second year Youth Worker Students from RMIT a project to work with later in the year. A suggestion of community engagement strategies for the year 10 group through Careers and SOSE classes was suggested. The students view the offers given and take them on if they are interested.

*Students looking at Career options in Law, Commerce & Environment will be invited to an afternoon /evening with their parents to be organised by the Hamilton Careers Teachers Network around week 6 of term 2. Keep your eyes open for updates.

*TIS – Tertiary Information Services
Representatives from each of Victoria's universities, TAFEs and several independent colleges travel across the state helping Year 12 students to finalise their post-secondary study options.
Each year representatives cover hundreds of kilometres and speak to around 75 per cent of Victoria's Year 12 students providing information on the application process for tertiary courses and the range of study options available.
Keep the 18th of April free (the first Wednesday of Term 2) for the Hamilton TIS event from 1 – 3:30. Letters will be sent home this week with year 12 students giving details of the event.

*About VTAC
The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) is the central office that administers the application and offer process for places in tertiary courses at university, TAFE and independent tertiary colleges in Victoria (and a few outside Victoria). VTAC receives and forwards application information and supporting documentation to the course selection authorities at institutions. After selection decisions have been made by the course authorities at institutions, VTAC sends offer letters to successful applicants on the institutions' behalf.
The VTAC guide offers all the information needed for course selection and is available later in the year. This is the book that offers the most up to date information. Changes this year are that there will be fewer printed and the details of each course will be available on the internet.
Copies of the VTAC Guide will be available for pre-purchase via CourseLink from 7 May 2012.
Copies to the public will go on sale, via newsagents' week beginning 30 July 2012.
For more information: VTAC CourseSearch and the VTAC website.

BRONZE RESCUE PROGRAM
Bronze Star and Bronze Medallion

Bronze Star is a secondary student award that aims to develop safe water knowledge, rescue and survival skills and includes learning basic resuscitation skills. Candidates need to be able to swim 300m using various strokes prior to participating. Candidates may be under 14 years to participate in Bronze Star.

Bronze Medallion award holders are recognised as having gained a minimum standard as a qualified lifesaver so the course will develop the level of knowledge, judgement, technique and physical ability required to carry out safe water rescues. It is advantageous if candidates hold the senior swim and survive and bronze star awards. The minimum age is 14 years (or in the year in which the candidate turns 14 years).

The Bronze Rescue skills are highly regarded in the wider community; it may even enhance your chances of starting a career through organisations such as Life Guarding Services, Fire Brigade and Police Departments since they are all employers looking to recruit people with a strong survival instinct.

Course Information:

- **SUNDAY 21st and 29th April**
- **9am – 5pm (both days)**
- **At Hamilton Indoor Leisure and Aquatic Centre (HILAC)**
- **Cost: $180.60 includes the Royal Life Saving Society Australia's award and qualification fees on successful completion of the course.**
- **Full payment due at time of registration**

Registration forms available at HILAC.

For enquiries and further information please contact:
Sarah Byron Swim Programs Coordinator,
☎ 55514306 or email: sbyron@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au

Hamilton Indoor Leisure & Aquatic Centre

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS LIBRARIES

Easter School Holiday Library Programs

Preschool storytime

Continues every Tuesday 10am

Easter Craft Activities
Tuesday 3rd April @ 3pm to 4pm
Come and create awesome decorations and gifts

The Art of Upcycling
Come and learn all the wonderful things you can make with your old books.
Wednesday 11th April
@ 11am to 12 noon

netsetgo!
JUNIOR NETBALL

Would you like your child to learn how to play net-ball or to play non-competitive netball?
Every child between 5 and 14 years of age is welcome. Boys and girls..

The Coleraine Junior Netball Association Inc is currently preparing for the 2012 season. We conduct an accredited NetSetGo program (focusing on ball skills and netball techniques) as well as non-competitive weekly games for more advanced participants.

Start date: Wednesday 18 April. Meet at Turnball St courts at 4.20. Game starts 4.30pm. Season finish Wed 27 June.

Cost NetSetGo $60
Junior netballers born pre 31/12/2000 $50
Junior netballers born after 31/12/2000 $40
Fees due by third week of play.

Can the names of all players please be submitted to Narelle or Alison (to allow team lists to be compiled pre season start)

All enquiries to Narelle Ness (President) 55752692
Alison Wooldridge (Secretary) 55791372

Auskick Starts 21st April, 2012 – Urgent!!! Register and pay online by March 30th to receive Four Free AFL Tickets!!

Hamilton Auskick will commence in 2012 at Pedrina Park between 9:00am and 10:30 am on Saturday April 21 and concluding Saturday June 23. Online registration is preferred however if this is not possible please contact the centre coordinator Malcolm Sharp on 0419 874535. Cost $55.00 plus credit card fees. Auskick packs available on Saturday April 21 between 8:00am and 9:00am or after 10:30am at the completion of Auskick. Auskick is open to ages between Prep and Grade 6 inclusive.

*All participants that **register and pay online** by Friday, March 30, are eligible for the AFL Gameday Club Connect offer of four free tickets to selected AFL games. Go to www.aflauskick.com.au .*

HAMILTON JUNIOR TABLE TENNIS

Begins on Tuesday 13th March at 6.45pm at the Table Tennis Centre at HILAC and continues every Tuesday night. Boys and girls aged 7 to 15 are welcome and equipment is provided. Playing fee $3 per night, registration for the year is $25.00.

For more information please contact Junior Coach Darryl Lacey on 0400336652.

YEAR 9/10 SPORT EDUCATION—TENNIS REPORT

We played our third round of matches last Wednesday. With a couple of players away on camp, pairs were changed so everyone got a game. The ladder after 3 weeks is 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw, 1 point for a loss.

Ladder after 6 matches

Darcy and James	17
Brad and Thomas	16
Lawrence and Adam	15
Sam and Oscar	15
Alex and Josh	12
Eric and Cinty	12
Jake and Caleb	12
Flick and Elisha	12
Casey and BB	10
Taylor and Aaron M.	10
Chris and Blake	10
Amanda and Mr Fisher	10
Aaron McI and Maddy	9

There is one more week before finals, so many teams are still fighting for the top four spots on the ladder.

Felicity Gordon
Publicity Officer

Do you love computer games?

Then this 2 day course is for you!

LET'S GET MINECRAFTY

2 DAY COURSE

Change your world with our new course, Let's get Minecrafty! Using Photoshop, students can transform the look of their Minecraft universe, from the zombies and cows right down to the diamond ore found deep underground! **All students must have a minecraft profile.**

Location: Hamilton District Skills Centre
Mt Baimbridge Road, Hamilton

Date: Thursday 12th and
Friday 13th April

Time: 9:30am - 4:30pm

Age: 11 – 18 years

Cost: $95.00

Includes lunch and refreshments for both days

Bookings & information:
HDSC (03) 5571 1708

AIE
Academy of Interactive Entertainment
www.aie.edu.au

hdsc
Hamilton District Skills Centre
www.hdsc.net.au

WDHS
Western District Health Service
www.wdhs.net