



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

## Upcoming Events

**Monday Feb 8th**  
Student Leadership  
Induction

**Wednesday Feb 10th**  
School Photos  
**SUMMER UNIFORM**  
**SCHOOL JUMPER**

**Friday Feb 12th**  
Year 7 Immunisations

**Tuesday Feb 16th**  
Swimming Sports  
House Colours

**Wednesday 17th Feb**  
Grade 6  
Transition Day  
**2016 INFORMATION**  
**EVENING**  
6pm West Gym

**Thursday 18th Feb**  
**PRINCIPAL TOURS**

**Wednesday 24th Feb**  
New Parent  
Luncheon  
1pm VCE Centre

**Thursday 25th Feb**  
Glenelg Division  
Swimming

Casual Day, wear red  
to support CFA.



Our Year 7 cohort are off on camp in Halls Gap this week.

### Welcome :

I would like to welcome everyone back to school for 2016. In particular, welcome to all of our new students to Baimbridge College. From our new prep students and our large group of Year 7s right through to the many students who have joined us in all the other year levels. I would like to welcome the families of these students to our community and trust that being part of Baimbridge College leads to a satisfying experience and a rewarding pathway in life.

I would also like to welcome back all of our 2015 students from their summer holidays and wish them a successful 2016.

### Dux :

Congratulations to Barbara Sealy who was our dux of Year 12 last year. I would like to congratulate all of our Year 12 from 2015 and wish them success in their tertiary studies, gap year or career as the case may be. It was very satisfying to see our students offered tertiary places in their desired field as well as our senior vocational students moving into much sought after apprenticeships and traineeships. Students were accepted in university course including nursing, teaching, health science, food nutrition, media, arts and agricultural science just to mention a few. Congratulations to all on a successful secondary education.

### New Staff :

At the end of 2015 a number of Baimbridge College staff took leave from teaching with us for 2016. They were Mr Baldev Josan, Mr Johnny Chen, Mrs Lisa Guegan - Brown, Mrs Nadia Foley, Mr John McIntyre and Mr Scott McFadden. I would like to thank them for their contribution to Baimbridge College and the education of the young people of the district.

As a consequence of the vacancies created we are pleased to introduce a number of new staff to our college to fill the roles that have been vacated. They are Mr Anthony Kingma (maths), Mr Ross Potts (foods and hospitality), Mrs Rachel Rose (Year 9/10 co-ordinator), Mr Matt Toffolon (music), Mrs Julie Lamont (art) and I would like to welcome back Mrs Chelsea Carter (maths). Also new to our college in the Hamilton District Skills Centre is Mr Lee Killen (cert II Automotive).

### School Review :

The major undertaking for us early this term is our School Review that comes around every four years. We really want input from parents about various aspects of school operations ( student achievement, wellbeing and engagement) and we have already sent a survey out via Compass. Your opinions are important to us so please take the time to have your say. In addition to parents we are looking for students and staff opinions that we will organise at school. You may even get a phone call one day soon from Miss Morgan, Mr Hill or me asking you for your opinion.

## Issue 01

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## Principal's Notes



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

## Principal's Notes Continued

If you have any concerns please contact:

**PRINCIPAL:**

Mr Robert Vecchiet

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS**

**EAST CAMPUS:**

Miss Rosemary Morgan

**WEST CAMPUS:**

Mr John Hill

**P—6 CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr John Hill

**YRS 7 - 8 CO-ORDINATOR:**

MR EWAN MACDONALD

**Assist Co-ordinator:**

Mr Alan Thomas

**YEAR 9 & 10**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mrs Rachel Rose

**Assist Co-ordinators:**

Mr John Sly &

Mrs Lorraine Liston

**Yr 11 & 12**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Ms Lyn Collins

**Assistant Co-ordinator:**

Ms Sharon Herreen

**VET / VCAL**

**CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr Steven de Man

**DEVICE CO-ORDINATOR:**

Mr Dean Banfield

**STUDENT WELLBEING:**

Ms Kelly Taylor

Mrs Bernie Cook

**INTEGRATION**

**COORDINATOR:**

Mr Roger Lewis

**Awards Night :**

I would like to congratulate all the students who received awards or scholarships at the awards night at the end of last year. I would also like to thank the different clubs, organisations and individuals who make scholarships and prizes available to our students to support and encourage them in their studies.

**Year 7 Camp:**

As I prepare this newsletter all of our Year 7 students are packing for their orientation camp at Norval Camp in Halls Gap. They are accompanied by their form teachers and year level co-ordinator as well as other staff who will guide them through introductory and team building activities in preparation for their membership of and study in Year 7 this year. Also in attendance to support our new students are student leaders and peer support leaders all of whom have the intention of smoothing the transition to secondary school for everyone in Year 7. They will have spent three days in Halls Gap before returning and we will have more information in next week's newsletter about their activities.

**Uniform Guidelines :**

Two issues have arisen this year that I will address here to ensure everyone is clear about our policies. The first is hair colour, it seems that this fashion has re-emerged after a number of years of hibernation. Some students have come to school with bright hair colours such as blue and pink – they have been told that while they will not be stopped from attending classes they will not be allowed to represent the school at any official occasions. The school has always, and continues to, reserve the right to determine who represents it at public events.

The second issue is visible piercings - our uniform guidelines specify that students can only have a total of two studs or sleepers in their ears. That means one in each ear or two in one ear, NOT two in each ear. The other guidelines about visible piercings do not seem to have caused the same amount of discussion.

I hope this clears up any confusion.

**School Jumpers :**

I have been led to believe that Accurate Clothing has run out of Baimbridge College jumpers and is waiting on a delivery. Those families affected by this can send their son or daughters to school in a different top for warmth, navy would be preferred if possible. If it is necessary for a student to be out of uniform, parents are asked to send a note of explanation so that an 'out of uniform' pass can be issued. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Reporting Process :**

After much discussion at school Baimbridge College has chosen to increase the level of feedback about student achievement to parents as the term progresses. Instead of providing only a tick the box interim report and then a final semester report, faculties are working on publishing 'Learning Tasks' on Compass so that parents can see the work students are being asked to do and also their assessments on those tasks as they progress during term. For example in the Science faculty meeting I attended last week it was agreed that there would be at least 3 separate Learning Tasks per semester, each providing assessment and feedback to parents and students as the term progresses and work is completed. Different faculties will have different numbers of Learning Tasks.

In the case of Science this means that by the time reports are due at the end of semester 1, parents will have already seen the three lots of work required and the assessments achieved along the way. This of course means that we need to think about what we actually put in the semester report so that we are not duplicating information. We will be looking for parent opinion about this as part of the review I mentioned above during term 1. I look forward to hearing what parents have to say.

### **Transition Information :**

In keeping with the trend set by other schools in the area, Baimbridge College will hold its Year 6 to Year 7 transition day early again this year, on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February. State Primary Schools in the area are aware of this arrangement and we are inviting all Year 6 students to attend a day of schooling at Baimbridge College to discover what we have to offer. This will be followed by an Information Night also on the west campus on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February and then tours of the school during the day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February.

We trust that aligning our transition information with other schools will enable parents to make a realistic comparison of educational settings for their children.

We look forward to welcoming Year 6 students and their parents to our school and showing them the wonderful opportunities that Baimbridge College has to offer.

### **Year 8 :**

As a result of the transition day on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February, we will be sending a note home to parents of Year 8 students asking them if they could keep their son or daughter home on that day to assist us in releasing staff and resources for our visiting Year 6 students.

### **Baimbridge College Website ([www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au](http://www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au)):**

I would like to remind parents that Baimbridge College has a website thanks to the wonderful work of Mrs Jill Robinson. I encourage parents to familiarise themselves with the website as it contains a very comprehensive list of school information. I would like to thank Mrs Robinson for the excellent job she has done constructing and maintaining the new site.

### **Compass :**

Our online student management system, Compass, will be enhanced this year. Parents should have their own personal log on which is different to their son or daughter's. The system is accessible anywhere the internet is available on computer, smart phone, tablet or other mobile device. The website is <https://baimbridge-co.vic.jdlf.com.au/login.aspx> If you require more information accessing the system please contact the school. There is a link on our website to help you should you forget the address.

### **Access to Newsletters :**

Baimbridge College produces a newsletter each week that will be distributed to parents by email or via the Baimbridge College website. To ensure you receive your newsletter you can contact our front office on 55722788, so that they can be placed on our email distribution list OR just log on to our website each week.

If there are any questions or concerns I urge parents and guardians to contact myself, our Assistant Principals Mr John Hill and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant Co-ordinators listed on the previous page.

*Robert Vecchiet, Principal*

## **"WIZARD OF OZ" DVDs**

These are now available from Mr Bell at \$10 for the two discs. For orders, please e-mail him at [bell.john.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:bell.john.d@edumail.vic.gov.au) or through Compass.

The discs can be collected at the East front office.



## **DO YOU TAKE THE BUS TO OR FROM SCHOOL?**

PLEASE READ THE DOCUMENTATION ON THIS LINK BELOW REGARDING THE CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/safety/Conveyance%20Allowance%20Policy.pdf>

# ***Australia Will Be There: Victorians in the First World War (1914-19) from the Shrine of Remembrance.***

*This exhibition was developed to commemorate the centenary of the First World War and will be travelling throughout regional Victoria until 2019.*

*The exhibition presents a chronological view of the war through use of 114 images, some never previously publically displayed, in 100 frames. The Victorian perspective is developed through the use of private diaries and letters to caption the images. Regional stories are the focus of an interactive kiosk populated with stories, both frontline and homefront, illustrating the variety of wartime experience.*

*The exhibition will retell the stories of the First World War and review the mythology that we have inherited over the past 100 years. Visitors today will not have had direct experience of this period in our history and many Australians, now descended from diverse origins elsewhere in the world, will view it from perspectives which have not traditionally formed part of our national narratives.*

The Exhibition will run from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>, January until February 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Humanities Faculty intends to take all year 7 to 10 students to see this exhibition over the next few weeks. Staff from the Shrine will run sessions for our students on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Below is a copy of the time table for these sessions which cost \$4 per person.

Time	Staff	Year group
Tuesday 9.30 to 10.30	Julie Lamond	7C
Tuesday 11.45 to 12.45	Ewan Mac Donald	7A
Tuesday 2pm to 3pm.	John Bell	10 C
Wednesday 9.30 to 10.30	Lorriane Liston	9D
Wednesday 11.45 to 12.45	Richard Thatcher	9B
Wednesday 2 to 3	Heather Ward	8A
Thursday 9.30 to 10.30	Lyn Collins	7B
Thursday 11.45 to 12.45	Sam Adams	8B
Thursday 2 to 3.	S Adams	8C



The cost will be \$4 per student and each session will run for 1 hour & payment is to go to the classroom teacher.

All other students will visit the Art Gallery at a time determined by their classroom teacher. This will incur no cost as we will not have the expert knowledge of the staff from the Shrine.

Any questions about this activity is to be directed to your classroom teacher or Heather Ward.

Some images from last year's FISHER CUP. The Fisher Cup is a house competition that is held at the end of the End Of Year Activity program where the houses compete in various activities for the much coveted Fisher Cup, named after our much loved Mr David Fisher, a former PE teacher.



## Career News

The 2016 school year has only just begun. However, the amount of email traffic on Careers is astounding. I draw your attention to the Weekly Career News that is posted in the Careers Section of the Baimbridge College web site. This information is mainly for senior students and parents but there may be useful information for everyone.

Our Year 12 VCE students will attend the Tertiary Information Session at Monivae College on April 19, 2015.

Gerard Sheehan  
Career Advisor

## Baimbridge College Students - Bring Your Own Device Program

### All Students:

If you have not brought your device in to be reimaged, you must do so immediately to EB8 "Techies". Students who have not brought in device to be reimaged as was requested at the end of last year must do so immediately. Your device will not work at the school until it is done.

### Year 7 Students:

Year 7 students need to have their devices ready on Tuesday for inspection. Please make sure devices are fully charged. Please bring your device and charger. Make sure you have your name clearly labelled on them.

### New Students 2016 (Years 8 – 12)

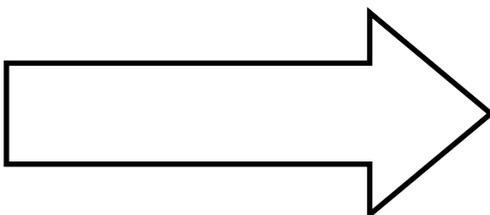
Any new students in Years 8-12 need to bring their devices to EB8 "Techies" to be inspected immediately. This should be done during recess and lunch times.

Regards,

Mr Dean Banfield

ELearning Coordinator

Please contact Ms Jayne Cogger directly via calling the College on 55 722 788 or emailing her via Compass if you are interested in the Volunteer Training Day.



## "Volunteer Training Day"

for the brand new Great South Coast Victoria Disabled Surfers Branch

WHEN? Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016 – check in by 8.30 am sharp.



WHERE? At the Warrnambool SLSC – look for the signs

Volunteers will be taken through the level 1 certificate DSAA 'Train The Helper' course to enable the new branch GSCVDSA to offer 'Hands On Days' for the full SWV disabled community.

The DSA started back in 1986. Now in 2016 there are 16 active branches across Australia & NZ. DSA events are experiential and are only conducted in waist-depth broken waves with minimum helper to participant ratios of 6:1, setting world's best practise for the past 30 years!

If you are coming, and of course you are, obviously bring a wetsuit – there are practical (wet) as well as theory components.

**\*\*At the conclusion of the training, there will be an initial 'Hands On Day' for the wider disabled community. Sign-in from 11.30am in front of the Surf Club – look for the tents\*\***

Volunteering is open to anyone with a good heart who has an interest in giving up a morning, only a couple of times a season, to help any disabled have a safe surfing experience. You don't have to be a surfer yourself but water oriented people are particularly welcome. It is simply about putting back with our sole aim of achieving "Smiles on Dials - Safely".

Want to know more? Contact GSCV president Justin Houlihan (0417 320 721), Aidan Nicolson GSCV Sec 0488 181 981, Nick Ansell: Ocean Grove DSA secretary (0425 713 208) or national secretary Daffy Chiisholm (0458690455) or check out [www.disabledsurfers.org](http://www.disabledsurfers.org)

# Compass Insights

Don't forget to log in to Compass to complete the Parent Insight Schedule to give us your opinion on the College for our review. It's your chance to have your say on how we do things and where we should be heading.

To access the schedule you need to log in to Compass and click on the link in the top of your news feed.



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## NETBALL VICTORIA CLINIC

Saturday 27 February, 2016

**VENUE**  
Hamilton Netball Courts  
Pedrina Park, Hamilton

**TIME**  
Junior 2:30pm-4:00pm \*Senior 4:30pm-6:30pm

**AGES**  
Junior Clinic for 8-15yrs; \*Senior Clinic for 16+

NETBALL VICTORIA  
MELBOURNE VIXENS

PLAY BELIEVE ACHIEVE

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Summer Basketball Season

Commencement Dates

\* Women: Tuesday 23rd Feb

\* Men: Wednesday 24th Feb

Team entries due 5/2 to clubs or:

[hamiltonaba@bigpond.com](mailto:hamiltonaba@bigpond.com)

\* Juniors

Monday 22nd & Friday 26th Feb.

Juniors – please contact your

Clubs as teams are due 10/2/16

New players can find

Club details on the Web page or

Email: [hjba@bigpond.com](mailto:hjba@bigpond.com) with

Your interest.

Age Groups are:

U10: Born: 2007 & 2008

U12: Born: 2005 & 2006

U14: Born: 2003 & 2004

U16: Born: 2001 & 2002

Expressions of interest are being sought for an U8 Comp

U8: Born 2009

Please email names to:

[hjba@bigpond.com](mailto:hjba@bigpond.com)

It's not too late to come along!

Juniors

Wed 3/2/2016 Pedrina Park 6pm

Wed 10/02/2016 Ped Park 6pm

Wed 17/02/2016 Ped Park 6pm

Seniors

Thur 11/02/2016 Ped Park 6pm

Sun 14/02/2016 Ped Park 4-6pm

Thur 18/02/2016 Ped Park 6pm

## ROOS SELECTIONS 2016



The Hamilton Base Bikers Murray to Moyne Movie  
Night Fundraiser Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 6.30pm Tickets \$20  
including drinks and nibbles before the movie  
Contact 5551 8683 or email [Kate.Coote@wdhs.net](mailto:Kate.Coote@wdhs.net)



# Sandford Village Market

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February  
2016  
9am - 1pm

**Our Market is on St. Valentine's Day!**  
**Come join us!**

Sandford Mechanics' Hall, 16 Burke St. Sandford, Victoria 3312



Want to get your kids into  
tennis?



Professional tennis coaching will be  
available in Term 1 at

**The Hamilton Lawn  
Tennis Club**

With award winning coaches of  
Tennis Australia's

**ANZ Tennis Hot Shots,**  
children from 4 years can learn the  
game with modified courts, balls and  
racquets.

An extensive program will also be  
available for older beginners and  
accomplished players.

**Interested?**

**Call 5562 6539**



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# GENR8 CHANGE

**CONNECT, SHARE & LEARN**

MAKING THE HEALTHY CHOICE THE EASY CHOICE



Celebrate the achievements of  
our community, connect with  
others working in this space, learn  
and be motivated to help drive  
change as we continue to make  
the healthy choice the easy choice  
in the Southern Grampians.

**WEDNESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY, 5:30-7:00PM**  
**AT MELVILLE OVAL GRANDSTAND**

# Canteen Roster

## Term 1, 2016

### February 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Jody Golding	2 Kerry Goodman	3 Leanne	4 Lyn Duncan	5 Sally Wheeler
8 Kate Mibus	9 Gill Hiscock	10 Melanie Rhook	11 Lyn Battista	12 Kerry Price
15 Phyllis Speirs	16 Genevieve	17 Kim Sparrow	18 Janelle Tooley	19 Aileen
22 Tracey Sartain	23 Val Peters	24 Anna Topia	25	26 Dianne Evans
29 Nicole Symth				

### March 2016

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Lisa McIntyre	2 Suzanne Connolly	3 Lyn Duncan	4 Sally Wheeler
7 Jody Golding	8 Kerry Goodman	9 Leanne Warburton	10 Lyn Battista	11 Kerry Price
14 LABOR DAY	15 Gill Hiscock	16 Melanie Rhook	17 Janelle Tooley	18 Aileen Broadbent
21	22	23	24	25

The canteen is always in need of volunteers, as you can clearly see by the gaps in the above roster we are in need of more assistance. We are very grateful for all that we receive - if you can help out at any time please call Adie on 55 722 788

Starting Time 9:00 am. If unable to do duty as rostered please ring 5572 2788

# Canteen Price List

## CANTEEN PRICE LIST – 2016

Green – Always

Amber – Occasionally

Red – Rarely

### HOT FOOD

Pie	\$3.50
Flavoured Pie	\$3.70
Nachos	\$4.50
Party Pie	\$1.20
Long Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Half Sausage Roll	\$1.70
Chiko Roll	\$2.20
<b>Chicken Nuggets</b>	<b>\$2.10</b>
<b>Flaming Chicken Nibble</b>	<b>\$1.10</b>
Focaccia	\$4.80
Croissant	\$3.80
Noodles	\$2.50
Toasted Sandwich	\$4.00



### SANDWICH

Assorted Sandwiches	\$4.00
Assorted Wraps	\$4.50
Roll to be ordered	\$4.50
Mini Wraps	\$2.20

### SALAD PACK

Small (salad only)	\$3.50
with meat	\$4.50
Large (salad only)	\$5.50
with meat	\$6.50



### DRINKS

Oak 600ml	\$2.80
Oak 300ml	\$1.60
Ice Break	\$2.90
Nippy's	\$2.20
Cool Ridge Water	\$2.00
Ice Tea	\$3.00
Fresha Juice <i>Large</i>	\$2.50
<i>Small</i>	\$1.60
Glee	\$1.50
Smart Water	\$3.00
Focus Water	\$1.50
Juice Box	\$1.20
Cup of Tea / Coffee	\$1.50

### \* TERM 2 & 3 ONLY \*

Dim Sim (Steamed Only)	1.00
Vegetarian must be ordered	\$1.20
<b>Potato Cake</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
Soup (Packet)	\$1.50
Pasta, Rice Dishes, Curries	
Sm \$2.50 Med \$3.50 Lrg \$4.50	

### SWEET TREAT

Cookies	\$1.40
Banana Bread	\$1.10
Apple Scrolls	\$2.00
Hedgehog	\$2.70
Jelly Slice	\$2.70
Apple Slice	\$2.70
Vanilla Slice	\$2.70
Caramel	\$2.70
Mint	\$2.70
Lemon	\$2.70
½ Slice	\$1.40
Muffins	\$2.70



### \* TERM 1 & 4 ONLY \*

Fresh Fruit Salad	\$3.50
Jelly	\$1.50

### \* SOMETHING DIFFERENT \*

Egg & Bacon Muffin	\$3.00
Sushi	\$2.50

### CHIPS

Large	\$1.80
Small	\$1.10

Cutlery 10c

Sauce 20c

\* ASSORTED DAILY SPECIALS – CHECK BOARDS \*

**CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM**

School Name

School REF ID

**Parent/legal guardian details**

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  **OR**

Foster parent\* **OR**  Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

**Student details**

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.

• information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date    /    /

## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible\* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

\* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

### Closing Date

Parents are encouraged to lodge the application form by 29 February 2016, so that payments can be made from March 2016. However schools can accept parent applications up until 03 June 2016.

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. .

**For ungraded students**, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**Year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.

Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

**Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.**