



# BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE

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Some of the 2014 Leadership Group, for names please see the end of the Principal Report.

## Upcoming Events

**Tue 5th Nov.**

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY  
CUP DAY**

**Thur 7th & Fri 8th**

**November**

**Poppy Selling in  
CBD**

**Monday 11th**

**November**

**Remembrance Day**

**Yr 7 to Cenotaph**

**10.15 - 11.45**

**Tuesday 12th**

**November**

**Grade 6 transition  
evening @ PAC**

**Wednesday 13th**

**November**

**LAST DAY YR 11s**

**Fri Nov 22**

**GD DISTRICT  
TRIATHLON**

**Fri Dec 6**

**LAST DAY YR 10s**

## Principal's Notes

### Year 12 :

I have had a lot of feedback about the final assembly for our Year 12 students and about the Year 12 Dinner over the last week. I must agree with the sentiments that have been expressed. That is overwhelmingly that the assembly and the dinner were an outstanding reflection of the positive culture of Baimbridge College, its students and staff. The celebrations reflected a very respectful, caring and good natured relationship between our college, its students, parents and staff. I would like to think that the positive relationships that we saw reflected last week will continue into the future of Baimbridge College. I would also like to thank those members of our community who made the effort to pass on the positive comments. Thank you !

### Year 12 Exams :

These began yesterday with the English exam and will continue until mid to late November for many of our students. I would like to again wish our students good luck with their exams and trust that they all earn their way into their desired course of tertiary education and future career.

### Student Leaders :

The process for determining 2014 student leaders is now concluded. Our School Captains were elected last week and I would like to congratulate Stephanie Granziera and Alex McIntyre to represent the school and student body next year. They will of course be capably supported by student leaders, Tyler Fehsler, Darcy McCallum, Sophie Gilbert and Mikaela McCallum. Our Music Captains are Kelly Sarena and May Udarbe and the House captains can now be announced publicly. Congratulations to Kyrra Leigh & Leah Williams from Laver, Cameron Delahoy & Bec Vankalken from Bradman, Tom Fitzgerald & Maddie Elliott from Fraser and Jackie Barker & Kelsey Lester from Cuthbert.

### Welcome :

I am delighted to welcome Mr Roger Lewis to Baimbridge College. Mr Lewis will take over the position of Integration Co-ordinator. He comes with considerable experience in the field and I ask that everyone make him feel welcome in his new role.

### Italian Visitors :

I have just heard that there are 12 students from Italy waiting to visit us next year for two months. They will arrive in the first week of term three and will stay with us for the full two months. The visit is now confirmed and I would again like to ask for families who are prepared to host one of the students next year. I have had some responses but still need more. If you are interested in this wonderful experience for your family and child please contact me at school so that I can add you to my list.

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## 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—4 CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr John Hill

MIDDLE SCHOOL

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Scott McFadden

YEAR 8 CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr David Fisher

YEAR 9 CO-ORDINATOR:

Mrs Narelle Kelly

YEAR 10 CO-ORDINATOR:

Miss Sheba Gurm

VCE Yr 12

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mrs Sue Smith

VCE Yr 11

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mrs Grace McGarigle

STUDENT WELLBEING:

Ms Cath McGowan

VET / VCAL

CO-ORDINATOR:

Mr Steven de Man

### Poppy Selling :

Baimbridge College will again be supporting the Hamilton RSL with students selling poppies for Remembrance Day next Thursday and Friday. As usual students will need to return permission slips that are available from our assistant principals and they will need to be in full school uniform in order to be allowed to represent Baimbridge College publicly. Remembrance Day is on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November and Year 7 students will attend the ceremony held at Melville Oval and the whole school will observe a silence in a sign of respect during the morning.

### Mark Byron :

I mentioned in a previous newsletter about Year 11 student Mark Byron participating in the State Constitutional Convention at Parliament House recently. Mark has agreed to write an account of his experience which is included later in the newsletter.

### 1:1 Computer Program :

We are currently in the process of finding a supplier for the individual computers to be offered to 2014 Year 7 students. It was agreed at a recent meeting at school that Year 11 and 12 students will be given the opportunity to participate in the 1:1 computer program the same as students in Year 7 and 8. In this way all students at Baimbridge College will be able to access 21<sup>st</sup> century learning. Parents will notice that this year our booklists for Year 7 – 10 will replace paper text books with electronic text books making students' texts much more portable and affordable.

### Compass :

Your log on details and password were posted out during term III.

The website is [baimbridge-co.vic.jdlf.com.au](http://baimbridge-co.vic.jdlf.com.au) and can be accessed anywhere the internet is available.

### 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 please contact our front office on 55722788, so that you 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 John Hill and Miss Rosemary Morgan or the relevant Co-ordinators.



Back Row L-R: Sophie Gilbert, Jackie Barker, Mikaela McCallum, Darcy McCallum  
Middle Row: Kyrra Leigh, Tyler Fehsler, Cameron Delahoy, Tom Hiscock, Alec McIntyre, Kelsey Lester  
Front Row: Maddie Elliott, Kelly Sarena, Mae Udarbe, Leah Williams  
ABSENT: Stephanie Granziera & Bec Vankalken.

### HEALTH WARNING

There are several cases of Gastroenteritis in Hamilton. If your child has symptoms please keep them home so as to limit the spread within the school.

Thank You

# 2013 Australian Constitutional Conference

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2013 I attended the State Constitutional Convention representing Baimbridge College.

This is a great programme which sees one hundred students from Across Victoria gather at the Parliament House of Victoria, in Melbourne, to debate the nature of Democracy in Australia. The Convention itself was held in the Legislative Assembly. It was a pleasing experience to sit in this grand room and be a part of a stimulating debate about democracy in Australia and how it may, or may not, be improved.

The one hundred students were split into smaller groups of 10 students and we participated in a mock Cabinet Meeting. The aim was to determine a specific course of action to improve democracy in Australia which was then voted on by all the students in attendance.

It was an excellent day which was a highly successful educational event made interesting by the views brought to the Convention by students of many different ethnic and political backgrounds.

Mark Byron Year 11



## GRADE 6 TRANSITION



A FREE information night for parents and students

**Tuesday November 12, 2013**  
from 7.00-8.30 pm

Hamilton PAC (light supper provided)

Open to ALL Grade 6 students and their parents/carers

Topics include: What to expect, relationships between school & families, student to student, and student to parent.

RSVP to your local Primary School by November 8th to reserve your spot.

Further details available from  
Belinda Carroll, Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN  
Phone: 5571 9502 or your school's Grade 6 teacher

Proudly Sponsored by Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN

Even though your child may be attending their chosen Secondary School in Baimbridge College it is important to be aware of the transition process they will undergo when being recognised as a Secondary student next year.

Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN is holding an information evening for parents and students on what to expect. We strongly recommend attendance at this evening to ensure you are well informed and prepared for next year.

## Careers

Year 10 students are undergoing a mock job application and interview process over the next two weeks. Many have completed their job applications and now await the interview. Students will be interviewed, in the main, by people outside the school who will ask questions and evaluate their job applications, resumes and interviews. Each interview will be for a period of 15 minutes and will occur on November 12 and 13.

This experience is recommended for all students and is not seen to be a threat or something to shy away from. I expect all students to go through the interview process to gain experience, not only for prospective employment, but also for future leadership positions at the school.

The students are expected to dress appropriately for the interview in neat casual attire.

Gerard Sheehan

Careers Teacher

<http://www.baimbridge-co.vic.edu.au/careers.html>

## 1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching Managing difficult behaviour in children



Open to the general public

A parenting program to create a more peaceful household, less arguing and fewer angry moments.

1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching program is easy to learn, easy to use, down to earth parenting program to help parents gently and firmly manage the behaviour of children in the 2-12 year old age range. Parents, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts and Carers all welcome.

The program aims to help parents gain practical tips on how to get children to:

- stop doing the things that drive parents crazy like arguing, fighting, yelling etc.
- start to do things parents want children to do
- develop children's emotional intelligence

1-2-3 Magic provides parents with strategies to sort between different types of behaviour and use less talk, less emotion which lessens both parent and child feelings of emotional stress and helps children to understand and better manage their emotions.

Date: MONDAYS: 25th Nov, 2nd Dec and 9th Dec—3 Week commitment

PHOTOS

Time: 9:30am—11:30am

Venue: Centacare Office, Level 1, 142 Timer Street, Warrambool.

Cost: \$45 (\$20 Concession) RVP: Wednesday 20th November 2013

(Sorry, no child care available)

For enquiries and bookings phone: Angela on: 5559 3000.



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Daktari Sport/Port Fairy Surf School will be hitting the beach this summer with VEGEMITE SurfGroms.

The first national junior participation surfing program available anywhere in the world, VEGEMITE SurfGroms offers youngsters aged 5-12 years old an opportunity to learn to surf and to develop strong ocean awareness and beach safety skills at a very influential period in their lives, that they will enjoy and embrace for a lifetime.

Since its launch in October 2011, almost 20,000 children have experienced the thrill of surfing in Australia for the first time through VEGEMITE SurfGroms.

Daktari/Port Fairy Surf School will be launching their VEGEMITE SurfGroms programs on Saturday November 2nd when parents and children can come down to Port Campbell Beach and check out the program from 9.00am till 11.00am. Also in Warrambool at Worm Bay car park Main Beach from 2.00pm till 4.00pm. On Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> we are in Portland at Nunns Beach between 9.00am and 11.00am then in Port Fairy between 2.00pm and 4.00pm

This is a FREE taster day where kids can experience the program with all boards and FULL LENGTH Wetsuit provided.

"It's such a fantastic program to introduce children to the ocean," said Chris Sharples of Daktari/Port Fairy Surf School

"We love our beach lifestyle and it's important the kids are made aware and be taught about surf safety and at the same time have so much fun with their friends learning to surf.

"The program gets the kids outside and they learn a skill they will be able to enjoy for many, many years."

Parents can contact Port Fairy Surf School for further information on 0409 947 362

VEGEMITE SurfGroms is proudly supported by VEGEMITE, Quiksilver, Wahu, Surfing Australia, the Australian Sports Commission, Surfing World, Coastalwatch and Channel 9.



REGISTER NOW



The 5th Hamilton Vitality Fun Run will take place on  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2013

Events include:

21Km Run

10Km Run

4.2km Run including Under 14 Boys and Girls  
event

Cash Prizes to be won



Two Youth Sports Scholarship to be awarded

Register on line now at [www.hamiltonfunrun.com](http://www.hamiltonfunrun.com)



## INVOLVE YOUR KIDS – BUSHFIRE SURVIVAL PLANNING EBOOK



The Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre (Bushfire CRC) has produced an ebook for parents on how to talk to children about bushfire preparation and safety. The ebook, *Making a bushfire plan? Involve your kids!* is based on the PhD research of Briony Towers from RMIT University, which has been presented in many research and industry forums in recent years.

The ebook is designed as an interactive PDF that can be read on a computer or any tablet device, as well as printed. Download it for free at the Bushfire CRC website—<http://www.bushfirecrc.com/resources/product/involve-your-kids-bushfire-survival-planning-ebook>

## ST MARYS XMAS EXPO

Saturday 7th December

Expo in the PAC from 9.30-3.30pm.

With the Parade along Gray Street from 10.30am.

Pre purchase ride wristbands from St Mary's Primary School.

1=\$15    2=\$25    3=\$40    Or \$20each on the day

Lots of new and exciting traders this year including many local traders, petting zoo and Santa's Fun land

Have you ever wondered what it is like to be a Girl Guide? Then come along to our "OPEN NIGHT" to be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November at the Hamilton Guide Hall, Foster Street, Hamilton between 4.00pm & 5.30pm. Stay for 10 minutes or the entire program. For more information phone Margaret on 55723438 or 0409168400 or Lorraine on 52415540. email: [lotway@guidesvic.org.au](mailto:lotway@guidesvic.org.au)

**BE PREPARED TO HAVE FUN!**



MCG Open Day,  
Sunday November 17, 10am to 4pm

**EXPERIENCE THE 'G  
LIKE NEVER BEFORE.**

On Sunday November 17, as part of the MCC's 175th birthday celebrations, we're opening our doors to you and your friends and family to enjoy our magnificent stadium for free. There will be plenty of fun for the kids!



Southern Grampians Shire Economic Development and Tourism Unit invites you to a

## MAJOR INDUSTRIES UPDATE FOR THE GREATER HAMILTON REGION



Be updated on the latest information on plantation timber harvesting, learn about the prospects for mining around Glenhompson, the latest news from Iluka, the Hamilton Red Meat Innovation Centre, the Coles supermarket expansion and other developments in the Greater Hamilton region.

This free session will provide information and explain the opportunities for businesses to benefit from these major investments.



**Where:** Hamilton Cinema, Brown Street  
**When:** Monday 18 November, 2013  
**Time:** 5:30pm - 7:30pm [ Finger food & refreshments available ]

**Register:** Economic Development and Tourism Unit  
Ph: 5573 0256 or email [marketplaceadmin@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au](mailto:marketplaceadmin@sthgrampians.vic.gov.au)  
by Thursday 14 November, 2013

## CANTEEN 2013 Term 4

### East Campus—Start time AM Shift 10am, PM Shift 12.50

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Oct 28 - Nov 1	28 T. Sartain	29 L. McIntyre	30	31	1 Jo Bennetts
Nov 4 - 8	4 J. Golding	5 L. Battista	6	7 L. Hall	8 A. Broadbent
Nov 11 - 15	11 N. Teasdale	12 V. Kearney	13	14	15 G. Downes

### West Campus—Start time AM Shift 10am, PM Shift 12.50

DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Nov 4 - 8	4	5	6	7	8
Nov 11 - 15	11 J. Golding	12 G. Hiscock	13 L. Warburton	14	15 K. Price
Nov 18 - 22	18 P. Speirs	19 K. Goodman	20 D. Evans	21	22
Nov 25 - 29	25	26 L. Duncan	27	28	29
Dec 02 - 06	2	3	4	5	6