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## NEWSLETTER



Farewell Year 12, 2012

### PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

#### ***Vietnam-Cambodia Trip***

Preparations are now well under way! The final parent meeting will be held next Monday 29th, at which Dr Mark Johnson will speak on his experiences in Cambodia. All prospective tourists have now had their immunisations and are busy packing their bags and researching their tour destinations.

A trash and treasure stall held last Sunday raised \$870 toward this tour.

#### ***Super 8s Cricket:***

Last Thursday our school entered four teams—2 girls and 2 boys—from Years 9 and 10. The teams each played 3 games against 8 different

schools. Both boys and girls teams were finalists against Monivae, with Monivae defeating the girls, while our boys team defeated Monivae. This boys team will now progress to the next stage at Melton.

#### ***Year 12:***

It has been a momentous week for our Year 12s with two official farewells in the form of a special assembly attended by Years 9, 10 & 11, the Year 12 parents and other guests; and a dinner which will take place at the PAC tomorrow evening. I would like to take this opportunity to thank their Level Coordinator Mrs Sue Smith

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### TERM 4

### OCTOBER

**Friday 26** Year 12 dinner PAC

**Tuesday 30** Half day stoppage (am)

**Wednesday 31** Year 7 Information night, VCE Centre 7.00pm

### NOVEMBER

**Thursday 1** SRC casual day

Year 12 exams begin

**Monday 5** Professional Development—**no students at school**

**Tuesday 6** Melbourne Cup Day—public holiday—**no school**

**Thursday 8/Friday 9** Remembrance day poppy selling

**Sunday 11** Remembrance Day Service—all Year 7 and 2013 Student Leaders

**Wednesday 14** Years 7 & 8 Super 8's cricket, Pedrina Park

**Friday 16** Year 11 exams begin

**Wednesday 21** GD triathlon; Year 11 exams conclude

**Friday 23** VCE second hand book sale Study day Year 11

**Monday 26** Years 6-10 exams begin

### DECEMBER

**Friday 6** Years 7–10 second hand book sale

**Tuesday 11** Orientation day

**Wednesday 12** End of year program

**Wednesday 19** Awards night, PAC

**Thursday 20** Last day for students. Reports issued. 3.30pm dismissal.

who has had the primary responsibility for guiding and looking after this cohort for the past two years.

I would also like to thank those Year 12 teachers who have also supported and inspired the students to achieve the best they can. We of course wish all the students themselves, the very best for the examinations, their future studies, career and life. We will follow their future paths with interest.

### ***The Examinations:***

Year 12 will commence their examinations on Thursday November 1st in English. Year 11 examinations will then follow on Friday November 16th, and Years 7—10 will start on Monday November 26th. This year Years 7—10 will take exams in SOSE (History) and Year 9 will additionally sit an exam in Human Development (core subject).

All years 7—10 will of course complete exams in English and Mathematics. It is not too early to start preparing for these, by checking book work/notes are in order and establishing with teachers what content will be examined.

### ***Acknowledgement from the Glenthompson and District Community Association:***

Year 8 recently received a very nice letter from Mrs Dorothy Williams, Hon. Secretary at Glenthompson, thanking them for “the superb work you allowed us to exhibit at our Medieval Tavern on 6th October at the Glenthompson Hall.” All the students’ work was much admired and read especially those whose names were known to the guests. I would like to thank Mrs Heather Ward for her liaison and coordination of the submission of the students’ projects.

### ***Mr Vecchiet’s return:***

This is the final week of Mr Vecchiet’s Long Service Leave and we are hoping to see him returned much refreshed on Monday 29th October after his overseas holiday. I would like to thank my fellow Assistant Principal Mr Tony Speed for his additional work and support over this time, and also that of all

Year Level Coordinators and Staff.

### ***Year Seven, 2013:***

On Thursday November 8th parents of students enrolling Year 7 in 2013 are invited to participate in a school tour with the Principal and Middle Years Coordinator Mr Scott McFadden.

Scholarship interviews have now taken place. We had many students of outstanding merit apply. Successful students’ names will be published in next week’s newsletter.

The Year 7 2013 Information evening will take place in the VCE Centre at 7.00pm on Wednesday 31st October and the Orientation Day for all prospective students is on December 11th. WE look forward to welcoming them all officially that day..

### ***Mobile Phones and Body Piercing :***

A reminder to our community that we do not allow mobile phones at school and that students that do not hand them in to assistant principals or level co-ordinators at the beginning of the day will find that they are confiscated until the end of term and they will incur two after school detentions. There is no need for parents to phone or text students during the day on mobile phones as we have staff answering school phones all day and any messages will be passed on. Equally parents will understand that students should be concentrating on their classwork not being distracted by messages or incoming calls. We also have quite clear rules about body piercing that do not allow students to have visible body piercing other than a pair of studs or sleepers in the ears. Students who ignore this rule will not be able to attend classes until the piercing is removed. These are well established rules that we have been applying for many years and they have worked well for the school.

### ***Access to Newsletters :***

Any parents experiencing problems accessing the newsletter can 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

### ***Rosemary Morgan Acting Principal***

<b>CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4—WEST CAMPUS</b>					
<b>DATE</b>	<b>MON- DAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>October 29— November 02</b>	29	30	31	Nov.01	02
<b>November 5—9</b>	05 PD day—no students	06 Melbourne Cup Day	07	08	09
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<b>October 29— November 02</b>	29 Jody Golding	30 Robyn Rich- ardson (am)	31 Jenny Cumming	Nov.01 Lesley	02 Glenys Downes
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**SCHOOL SPORT  
SHORTS**

New school sport shorts have arrived at Accurate Clothing, Gray Street, Hamilton.

\$31.50 (all sizes)

## ***Baimbridge College Tour of Vietnam and Cambodia 2012.***

In 39 days 19 students and 4 adults leave Australia for the trip of a life time. We have all paid our money got our travel insurance and sent our newly acquired passports away to get Cambodian and Vietnamese Visas. The Journal has been printed and the Polo shirts have been designed and printed. Dr Johnson has given us our injections and we are starting to think about what we are going to put in our bags.

Our trip allows us to meet the local peoples, learn about the history of both countries, and lets us experience their culture and the environment, both natural and built.



Our students wanted to make a difference in the lives of children in Vietnam and Cambodia. As a result of this we are visiting the Banteay Prieb Mission which re-educates those who have lost limbs, the Green Gecko Project for street kids, as well as several schools. We have raised money to make a donation to each of the places that we visit. The group has sold raffle tickets, ran a film night, had a concert, cooked food, held a stationary drive and finally conducted a stall at the last Sundays Trash and Treasure.



Each student is researching one of the days of our tour and then sharing what they have learnt with the rest of the group. This has been most exciting and makes it all seem a bit more real. Many of the students have read the book "First they killed my father" and next Monday we are watching the Movie, The Killing Fields. At our parent meeting Dr Johnson will further prepare us for what we will see when we investigate firsthand the legacy of Pol Pot's reign.

Preparing for this trip has been an exciting experience and through regular meetings the students are gaining new friendships and confidence as well as preparing themselves for the adventure ahead. The staff of Heather Ward, Kerren Collins, Steven Constantine, and Hazel Saligari feel privileged to have the prospect of spending two weeks in an exotic location with such a responsible group of young adults.



## **CAREERS NEWS**

**CHILDHOOD:** Year 12 students applying for the new Deakin course in Early Childhood Development need to obtain a summary sheet from me to accompany their application.

**PERFORMING ARTS:**The Australian Film Television and Radio School is based in Sydney but has many online links for further information.

<http://www.open.aftrs.edu.au/>

Tailored Workshops for students (filmmaking, screenwriting etc) <http://www.open.aftrs.edu.au/courses/courses+for+schools/for+students> and teachers(to teach teachers to teach film) <http://www.open.aftrs.edu.au/courses/courses+for+schools/for+teachers>

**TRAINING NOW:** Transfield Services Apprentice Lineworkers

I am writing to tell you about a fantastic opportunity for your students to join the Transfield Services training programme in Nunawading, Victoria.

We are currently recruiting Apprentice Lineworkers for our Electrical Services division. On our training programme, students will get the training, portable skills and career opportunities that will set them up for life! They will also be earning from the first day they join us.

Applications officially close on 7 November 2012. We'll be looking at applications as they come in, so please encourage students to apply as soon as possible to be considered.

More information on the Trainee Training Programme can be found by visiting <http://www.tradeupcareers.com.au>. Please direct students to this website in the first instance. If you would like to learn more about Transfield Services as an organisation, please visit <http://www.transfieldservices.com>.

**PLUMBING:**My name is Wes Primrose and I am the coordinator of Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre Apprenticeship) . We are looking to fill a group for the start of February 2013 and we are looking for anyone who is interested in pursuing a career in the Plumbing Industry. It would be starting early February. This course will run over 15 weeks 8am to 5pm four days a week. If you have any enquires please contact me on any of the numbers below.

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Career Planning and Help Available at: myfuture (<http://myfuture.edu.au/>) is Australia's free national online career information and exploration service, helping people to make career decisions, plan career pathways and manage work transitions.

**myfuture is pleased to announce the launch of its YouTube channel,** <http://www.youtube.com/myfutureaustralia>. The channel features popular occupation videos from the myfuture website, as well as previously unpublished videos from the 2011 myfuture video competition.



## Year 11 Biology field Trip 2012

To consolidate classroom learning of Unit 1, Year 11 Biology took part in an excursion to Werribee Zoo, Queenscliff Marine Discovery Centre and Ecolinc.

We immersed ourselves in the marine environment looking at reproductive strategies of the Australasian Gannet in Port Phillip Bay during a cruise on the water. We compared the form and function of different local fish species during a fish dissection at the discovery centre.

Students also compared the skulls and teeth of herbivores and carnivores found in Werribee Zoo so they could get an insight of what they ate. Neither Mrs Kyle nor James A were too pleased about the very up close and personal interaction with a Boa Constrictor which had been confiscated from Tullamarine airport!

Finally we were able to use Ecolinc's state of the art science facilities to look at asexual reproduction in plants.

Overall, it was a very busy but extremely informative and fun experience. We were very proud to accept the compliments of many people who remarked on the positive behaviour of the students.





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