

BMG NEWS

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Staughton Vale

The unseasonably warm weather continued last week and created a wonderful learning environment at Staughton Vale for our Year 6 students. They were greeted by early morning fog that slowly lifted across the Brisbane Ranges to provide beautiful sunny days.

The year six students used the opportunity to continue working outdoors in the natural environment. In small groups they gathered objects and pieces from around the farm and used them to construct their group 'mandalas'. These wonderful art pieces demonstrate the cycle of life.

The vegetable patch had a clean up after the holiday break, which will assist with the production of the last seasonal produce before students begin raising seedlings in the green house and discover options for winter planting.

Students also looked at the relationship between predators and prey by looking at the diet of the masked owl and how its presence on the farm can assist in maintaining a healthy environment.

Bryce Durham



Year 9 and 10 Parent Teacher Interviews – Debra Ogston – Head of School, Years 9-12

Interviews will be held for Year 9 and 10 parents on Tuesday 8 May and Thursday 10 May commencing at 3.30pm. Appointment bookings are to be made via the myBMG Parent Portal and will close at 5pm on Monday 7 May 2018.

Price Check On Revolution!

Good luck to all students and staff for the Secondary School Drama Production for 2018. Tickets are still on sale via the BMG website. www.bmq.vic.edu.au/news-events/buy-tickets/

"The Rise and Fall of the Bargainmart King is about the workers of a suburban supermarket who revolt against their mean and oppressive bosses in an effort to improve conditions for all. When the anti-shoplifting system is activated, and the entire staff and the customers find they are locked in, a new leader emerges with an outrageous plan to build a new society, but not everyone agrees with his new world order. Everyone must take sides. Revolution isn't all it's cracked up to be!

The Production Team



New Look and Layout for the School Website and Changes to BMG News

BMG is excited to showcase its 'new-look' website. Key improvements include:

- a populated event calendar displaying upcoming excursions and key dates.
- News or blog articles will be published each week

We encourage our Community to visit the site frequently to read updates on key School events, results and news articles.

Additionally, the newsletter will move to being published on Fridays. If you have not already subscribed to receive the newsletter, please do so, or visit <https://www.bmq.vic.edu.au/news-events/enews/> to read the latest information.

Casey Ryder

READY, SET GO; PREP – Year 2 Fun Run

A fantastic morning was had by all at the annual Cross Country Fun Run held last Wednesday morning. The students had been working hard on their fitness in Physical Education classes over the past month, so they were well prepared.

It was great to see so many parents, families and friends come along to enjoy the morning, with many walking and running with the students.

Here is what some of the students had to say...

- "I really liked the Fun Run. My mum got to run with me and my brother" – **Harrison (Prep E)**
- "I had fun at the Cross Country Fun Run. Coming first at the end and getting a ribbon at the end was the best" – **Lucas (1B)**
- "The best thing about the Fun Run was beating my dad!" – **Maya (Prep E)**
- "The best thing about the Fun Run was that my friend Milly slowed down so I could catch up with the rest of the kids." – **Austin (2B)**
- "The Cross Country Fun Run was the best thing when I was in Prep A, Prep C and 1B. At the Cross Country Fun Run me and my dad forgot to warm up before starting, but we still ran well and we didn't stop once." – **Vivaan (1B)**

- "My friend told me not to sprint at the start, so you have enough energy to sprint at the end." – **Abby (2B)**

Thank you to all who participated and cheered. Thank you also to the wider school community for understanding the need to close the carpark and keep students safe.

Nick Sher



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Victorian Interschools Snowsports Championships

The 2018 Subaru Victorian Interschools Snowsports Championships will be held at Mt Buller from the 20 – 26 August. Building on the schools success in this competition over the past couple of years, we would again like to enter a team to represent our school at this prestigious event.



The Victorian Interschools Snowsports Championships is an excellent opportunity for students to participate and compete in a state level competition, and test and develop their snowsports skills against students from other Victorian schools. If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Mr Leigh Park at school via email at parkl@bmg.vic.edu.au, or Mr Nick Sher at shern@bmg.vic.edu.au by **Friday 11 May**.

Nick Sher

HOST FAMILIES – for International Exchange Students

Thank you to the families who have offered to host our visiting French students. We are still in need of a host family for a French male student at the beginning of Term 3.

In addition BMG will be hosting twelve students from our sister school in Kumamoto, Japan, who will be here from the Tuesday 31 July until Saturday 11 August. If your family can assist with hosting a student during this time, please complete the attached "Host Family Form" attached to the newsletter and return it to Fiona Erhardt, Head of the LOTE Department.

Fiona Erhardt

ICCES Athletics – Lakeside Stadium Melbourne

Congratulations to the athletes that have been chosen in the BMG Mustangs Athletics Team to compete in the ICCES Athletics Carnival on Thursday 10 May at Lakeside Stadium in Melbourne. Events will start at 11.30 am. Students are asked to return their permission notice ASAP. **Please be advised that students will return to school 20 minutes later than the scheduled time on the notice due to the addition of two extra events on the athletics schedule. Returning time is now 6.05pm.**

ICCES Winter Tour

The ICCES Winter Tour will once again take place in Shepparton this year on the final two days of term, June 21 and 22. Athletes are busily training for teams in; Basketball, Soccer, Hockey and Netball.

The Winter Tour involves two days of competition and teams will stay together over night in Shepparton. Notices for successful athletes will be distributed on team selection.

Singapore Sports Tour

An information night will be held on Wednesday 16 May in the Lecture Theatre BMG at 7.00pm for all athletes and their parents regarding the Singapore Sports Tour. At this evening information regarding travel, spending money, insurances, uniform, medical requirements etc. will be provided.

Mrs Daniel, Miss Nicolle, Mr Durham and Mr Perks will be attending and look forward to meeting parents at this evening.

Andrew Perks

Mother's Day Stall - Wednesday 9 May 2018

BMG is hosting a Mother's Day stall for Junior School Students. There will be a range of gifts to choose from for the special women in their lives. Gifts are required to be paid for online through the **Qkr App and selecting the Mother's Day Stall Tab no later than Sunday 6 May 2018 by 5.00pm. All gifts are \$5.00 each**. Students will be given a voucher/s through their classroom and will visit the stall at allocated times during the school day. **Don't forget to send along a bag to ensure the gifts make it home safely. Any questions please contact Cathy Perconte on 5366 4800.**

Careers News

The BMG Careers Expo will be taking place on Friday 11 May for students in Years 9-12. Students are encouraged to pre-plan their expo visit and will be having conversations about future career planning with their Tutor Teachers.

Middle School Musical - Peter Pan - Term 2 Rehearsal Schedule (Weeks 4-7)

Rehearsals - Week 4 - Wednesday 9 May

Students Required: Tinkerbell – Ella Fowler/Wendy – Abi Bradford/John – Tristan Kleiner/Michael – Murphy O’Connor/Peter – Ashley Siketa/Hook – Abbey Xerri/Smee – Joss Emini/Chief Tiger Bamboo – Lochie Pantazis/Tiger Lily – Eloise Driver/Performing Arts Captains - Marlee Wilson/Kristina Bogic
6 Pirates/3 Indians/6 Lost Boys/6 Mermaids/Pirate Chorus/Indian Chorus/Lost Boys Chorus

Rehearsals - Week 5 - Wednesday 16 May

Students Required: Wendy – Abi Bradford/John – Tristan Kleiner/Michael – Murphy O’Connor/Peter – Ashley Siketa/Hook – Abbey Xerri/Smee – Joss Emini/Chief Tiger Bamboo – Lochie Pantazis/Tiger Lily – Eloise Driver/Performing Arts Captains - Marlee Wilson/Kristina Bogic
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Rehearsals - Week 6 – Wednesday 23 May

***ALL STUDENTS REQUIRED**

Rehearsals - Week 7 - Wednesday 30 May

***PHOTO WEEK – ALL STUDENTS REQUIRED**

Bus Information - ROLLCALL Parent Portal

Rollcall Parent Portal is the school's new bus management system. This portal allows parents/guardians to manage children's absences, set notifications that you want to receive (e.g. arrived at bus stop) and even track the bus that your child is riding on.

Parents/guardians have been sent a “Welcome email” to their email address registered with the school to enable access to the Rollcall Portal. Once parents have set their password they you can then access the portal in two ways:

- Go to: <http://bmg.rollcall.com.au/parent/login> on desktop or tablet; or
- On your phone, open a browser and go to the same link to get the mobile version that you can then save to your home screen.

School Photos 2018

2018 School Photos will be taken during Term 2 on the following dates:

Years 7-12

Tuesday 22 May and Wednesday 23 May

Prep Reception - Year 6

Tuesday 5 June and Wednesday 6 June

All students from Prep/Reception to Year 12 will have school photographs taken. Students will be required to wear full Winter uniform, which includes jumpers, blazers and ties for students in Years 5 to 12, and jumpers and ties for students in Prep Reception to Year 4. Letters and ordering forms will be sent home to families shortly.

School Leadership Photos

School Leadership Photos will be taken in Term 3 on Monday 30 July from 9.00am. Please note Year 6 and Year 12 Graduation Photos will be produced in a composite format. The size of the Year levels have grown and the traditional group photos were becoming an OH&S and logistical given the size of the scaffolding and stands required.

REGULAR CONTACTS & INFORMATION

Absentee Line - 5366 4889

Health Centre direct number - 5366 4873

The Learning Hub - 0408 548 058

The Sport Hub - 0428 315 081

Email - hubprograms@bmg.vic.edu.au

Senior School After School Classes

Tuesdays – English (NBlock) and Science (Room01)

Thursday – Mathematics (MBlock)

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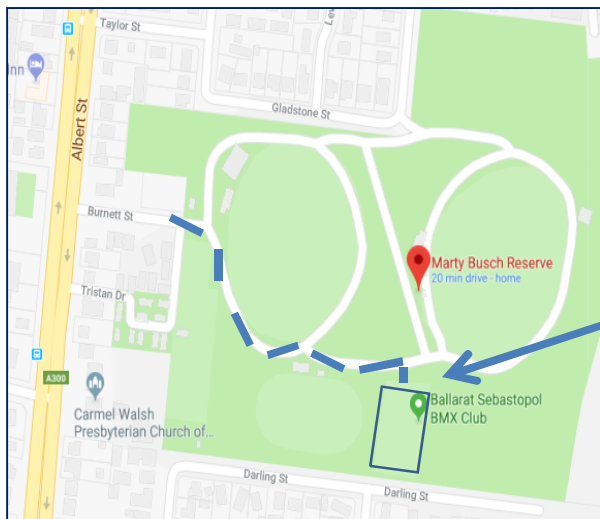


WHAT IS BMX?

BMX (Bicycle Moto Cross) is one of the fastest growing sports in Australia. It's a sport where the whole family can participate and riders of all ages (from 2 - 50+) can compete in organised race meetings throughout Australia.

BMX racing ranges from club level to state level and right through to national and world championships events for all ages.

BMX is also an elite Olympic sport! Any rider (subject to qualification requirements) has the chance to ride at the Australian National Championships and compete in World Championships! Come along to the Ballarat Sebastopol Cycling Clubs BMX Division track on Sunday **May 6th** and see what its all about.



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Enter via Burnett street

Head towards the right around the football oval.