# BMG NEWS

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#### **BMG in Concert – Wednesday 15 August 2018**

Bacchus Marsh Grammar music students and staff invite the school and wider community to an evening of musical performances at the Wyndham Cultural Centre in Werribee. Audience members will enjoy a diverse and entertaining program including solo and group acts. The concert will commence at 7pm. Last term students performing at this upcoming concert recorded some of the repertoire they have been rehearsing throughout the year. These recordings will be available free of charge online via download codes which will be printed in the concert programs.

All ticket sales are coordinated by the <u>Wyndham Cultural Centre</u>, <u>www.wyncc.com.au</u>. Tickets are on sale from the Wyndham Cultural Centre Box Office, 177 Watton St, Werribee. Tickets may be purchased in person or by phone using VISA or MasterCard during business hours (Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm). Phone: 8734 6000 at a cost of \$10.00 per ticket.

Tickets are also available to purchase online: Visit the <u>Wyndham Cultural Centre website</u>. *Please note all online bookings will incur an additional charge of \$1.95 per ticket*.

Mr Dean Thomas - Director of Music

#### BMG Student Representatives to Place a Wreath on the Avenue of Honour Trees

This Saturday 11 August at 12.00pm Bacchus Marsh RSL will be commemorating the 100 year anniversary of the planting of the Avenue of Honour trees. The RSL are seeking the assistance of local school children to place a wreath on a tree in the Avenue. Students from Bacchus Marsh Grammar have been invited to meet at **Tent 6** marked on the map attached to this newsletter. Parents are asked to accompany students. Students may dress in their school uniform or 100 year costume.



Earlier this week Senior students wrote messages of support and decorated small crosses that will be displayed by the RSL. The school would like to thank Thomas and Abbey Smith (pictured left) who will be representing BMG on Saturday.

On the day of the event, your contacts are: **Kat Barbuto** (Moorabool Shire Council) **0447 523 753 Bruce Lawton** (BM RSL) **0411 178 067.** 

Please note **The Avenue of Honour will be closed to vehicle traffic** from 11.00am until 2.00pm.



#### **Bacchus Marsh Grammar Open Day**

Bacchus Marsh Grammar would like to invite past students, parents and staff to celebrate our thirty year milestone at an Open Day on Friday 7 September.

The school will conduct tours at set times throughout the day. If you would like to be a part of the celebration, please book your place on a tour by visiting the School's website under "Celebrating 30 years".

Celebrating 30 Years Please note bookings are essential.

#### **Prep Pizza and Pyjama Day**

During week 5 of Term 3 the Prep students were learning about the letter 'p' and the sound it makes. On Friday 3 August students celebrated their learning and understanding of this letter by participating in a Pizza lunch and Pyjama Day. Prep students as well as Prep teachers spent a fun and meaningful day in pyjamas!

During the day, the students were involved in various literacy and numeracy activities to correspond with the sound 'p'. They also enjoyed a pizza lunch. They came to school with all different styles of comfortable PJs. They studied, played and ate, all in the comfort of their pyjamas. There were so many smiling faces at school on Pyjama Day.











#### **Middle School Sport**

#### **Division Mixed Netball Carnival**

Congratulations to our Mixed Netball Regional finalists along with their fantastic coaches Mrs Rachel Dale and Miss Lauren Majewski the team has now made it through to the state finals after winning the Western Metropolitan finals. Fantastic achievement good luck with the States.

Ms Rachel McMahon - Head of Junior School Phys. Ed, Camps and After School Programs

#### From the Coaches:

A huge shout out to our mixed netball team! They have produced a stellar performance every game they have played and been nothing but positive and supportive team members of each other and their opponents.

The students have been an absolute pleasure to take out and represent our school and region and we couldn't be more proud of our team. Call it a stroke of luck or as we like to think, fate – they will be playing on Friday 14 September in the State finals, the day before we lose three of our star players who leave on the second Vietnam trip on Saturday 15 September.....phew! Bring on the state finals.

Mrs Rachel Dale and Miss Lauren Majewski - Coaches

#### **Years 7-12 ICCES News**

#### **ICCES Debating Report**

On Tuesday 31 July, BMG hosted the ICCES Debating and Chess tournaments. There were twenty-two students involved across the Junior and Senior sections. Because of our involvement with the DAV competition, our students did extremely well, winning seven of eight debates on the day. They put into action lots of feedback that they have received in recent months, which was great to see.

Our Junior debating students (Year 9) debated on the topics 'That handwriting has no value anymore' (both affirmative and negative) and 'That mobile phones are harmful' (both affirmative and negative). It is pleasing to see the progress that these students have made over the last year, with the help of their coach, Ms Alyce Coyne.

Our Senior debating students (Years 10-12) debated on the topics 'That Modern Society no longer has a place for printed books, and we need to embrace online reading' (affirmative) and the particularly challenging topic 'That it's not always best to tell the truth' (negative). These students have had a challenging year, having to overcome many forfeits in the DAV competition, but it was great to see many of them finally have the chance to debate in front of a home crowd. It was a bonus that they won all of their debates in the Senior division!

Overall, we achieved 2nd in the competition.

We would also like to thank and congratulate Aine Murphy on all her hard work this year coordinating all debating events. The success of our students in a credit to her. The following students debated: Andrew Donohue, Aya Taniguchi (Best Speaker), Nazeeha Moosajee, Danny Osman (Best Speaker), Jaime Patterson, Georgia Horell, Yasmin Matthews (Best Speaker), Declan Xerri, Elana Penny, Nikita Wright, Ubaid Ahmed, Arshnoor Singh, Cole Healy, Molly Koorn (Best Speaker), Tara Parkhill (Best Speaker), Todd Robinson, Lloyd Slimmon (Best Speaker), Kate Streeter, Lily Trethowan, Neha Vinu, Sophie Wall (Best Speaker) and Mia White.

Miss Aine Murphy - Coordinator: Debating and Public Speaking 7-12

#### **VCE ICCES FOOTBALL**

On Tuesday 7 August the Bacchus Marsh Grammar boys VCE football team ventured to Ballarat Grammar to play in the annual ICCES matchup. After losing by 72 points last year, the boys were keen to make amends for the previous year. Captain Michael Rubino won the toss and BMG started quite well hitting the scoreboard early with a couple of first quarter goals by Hudson Shaw and Joel Williams. Ballarat Grammar pinched a goal late in the first quarter which pegged the margin to five points at quarter time in BMG's favour.

Defending against the wind is always a tough assignment. BMG were rewarded for their efforts and kicked two goals against the breeze from Cooper Stevanov and Hudson Shaw. Josh Ingham was instrumental in both stopping Ballarat's attack and setting up BMG's forward thrusts, which had a big impact on the first half. At half time, Ballarat Grammar held a slender six point lead.

Confidence was brewing in the BMG camp with a serious chance to win. Josh Thomas lifted his work rate off half back and the midfield, linking up with Mitchell Hearne a number of times. The majority of the play was in BMG's forward half but unfortunately did not reap the full rewards, kicking two goals and five behinds. Joshua Ullrich and Joel Williams hit the scoreboard in the third quarter with BMG having a 10 point advantage.

In the final quarter the stage was set for a defensive minded fight to maintain the lead BMG had worked so hard for. Ballarat Grammar peppered the goals. BMG with all their effort couldn't break down the wall Ballarat Grammar had set and fell agonisingly short by five points. A fantastic team effort from the entire team. Amazing what belief and scoreboard



pressure can do for a team. The BMG team consisted of current football players, umpires, athletes, Ultimate Frisbee representatives and soccer players with the camaraderie, bond, belief and enjoyment of just playing with your mates. I was extremely proud of the way they represented the school took pride in performance. I would have loved to have the win, but the delight of their efforts was clear to see on their faces.



Thank you to Mr Trent Oldaker and Mr Scott Faulkner who assisted on the day with amazing support. Also, the staff and parents who made the trip the support the team, I know they appreciated it as much as I did. Let's hope for a result in our favour next year.

**Final Score** - Ballarat Grammar 5.17 – 47 defeated Bacchus Marsh Grammar 6.6 – 42

**Best players -** Mitchell Hearne, Joshua Ingham, Daniel Wilson, Hudson Shaw, Michael Rubino, Joshua Thomas.

**Goal Kickers** - Hudson Shaw 2, Joel Williams 2, Cooper Stevanov 1, Joshua Ullrich 1.

Mr Evan Long - ICCES VCE Football Coach

#### SCIENCE NIGHT IS COMING - Tuesday 21 August

Science Night this year promises to be another fun-filled night exploring the discoveries and inventions that have changed our world. Come along and experience lots of hands-on activities including a Chemistry Show and ice-cream made with liquid nitrogen, not to mention the Science Fair of student projects.

The BMG Observatory will also be open for viewing the planets, weather and visibility permitting. Put the date in your diary and come along for a night of Science fun! **Ms Krosby and Mrs Patterson** 

Date: Tuesday 21 August Time: 5.00-7.00pm Location: W Block

#### Senior School Musical Production 2019 – "Once Upon A Mattress"

The Senior School Musical Production for 2019 will be "Once Upon A Mattress". The production is based on the story of "The Princess and The Pea", but if you thought you knew this tale, you may be in for a walloping surprise! Did you know, for instance, that Princess Winnifred actually swam the moat to reach Prince Dauntless the Drab? Or that Lady Larken's love for Sir Harry provided a rather compelling reason that she reached the bridal altar post haste? Or that, in fact, it wasn't the pea at all that caused the princess a sleepless night?

Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, by turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melodic, this rollicking spin on the familiar classic of royal courtship and comeuppance provides for some side-splitting shenanigans. Chances are you'll never look at fairy tales quite the same way again.

Applications are now open for students in Year 9-11 2019 to take part in this exciting event. Actors, singers, dancers, musicians, backstage crew and prop makers are all encouraged to register their interest by completing an application form available from the Administration Office and the Senior School Musical Team (Ms Helena Stratakos, Mr Dean Thomas, Miss Sally Durham and Mr Shane McNee). **APPLICATIONS CLOSE THURSDAY 23 AUGUST.** 

Ms Helena Stratakos - Head of Drama 7-12

# **Careers News**

#### Assistance with Tertiary Applications for 2019 Entry

At 7pm on Wednesday 15 August, VTAC will run a free evening webinar for Year 12 students and parents covering all aspects of the application process. This webinar is hosted by the CEAV. More information and registration is available on the Eventbrite website.

On Thursday 23 August, the school will be hosting a Parent Tertiary Applications Evening at the Lecture Theatre from 6.30pm-7.30pm. A letter has been sent to all Year 12 parents/guardians and final year VCAL student families.

EducationUSA will be holding an online information session about 'Navigating The U.S. Admissions Process' on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 10:00 am–10:45 am. This may be an opportunity for consideration for parents/guardians of students who wish to study in the USA post Year 12. Register on the <u>Education USA website</u>.

The BMG Careers newsletter is also available for the latest careers news on the BMG website.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

#### Father's Day Stall - Thursday 30 August 2018

BMG is hosting a Father's Day stall for Students in Years Prep Reception to Year 6. There will be a range of gifts to choose from for the special men in their lives. Gifts are required to be paid for online through the Qkr App, Father's Day Stall Tab no later than 11am Friday 24 August. All gifts are \$5.00 each.

Students 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.

#### Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students who have recently completed the Challenge; *Fateh Badesha 4G, Luke Berry 3A* and all students in *Prep F, Prep G, 1C, 1G, 2C.* 

#### **Bacchus Marsh Grammar Annual Creative Writing Competition Years 2-6**

Topic: Once I Found a Key

Entries are now being accepted and must be submitted by 16 August (No LATE entries will be ACCEPTED)

If you have any questions feel free to ask Mrs West, Grace Strang (6C), Ella Benson (6D) or Anika Kanneganti (6E)

Let your imagination run wild and Good Luck.

#### Prep - Year 6 Instrumental Concert Series.

During Week 7 the BMG Music Department will be holding our annual Junior Instrumental Concert Series. This event provides our instrumental students and co-curricular ensembles with an invaluable performance opportunity. The concert series will commence on Monday 27 August and will conclude on Thursday 30 August. The concerts will take place in Wilson Hall from 3.30 – 5.00pm.

We would like to extend a warm invitation to parents, family and friends to join us for what will be a wonderful performance opportunity for our up-and-coming young musicians. Please contact Mr Westgarth with any queries.

#### Royal South Street Eisteddfod - Additional choir rehearsals

There will be additional rehearsals scheduled during Targeted Tuition Time for both the Senior Vocal Ensemble and Middle School Choir. Please pay attention to the Daily Bulletin and ensure that you attend as required.

Mr Steven Bell - Assistant Director of Music

# Middle School Musical - Peter Pan Jr Term 3 Rehearsal Schedule Wednesdays until 4:30pm

Week 5 - Wednesday 15 August - All Students Required - cast and crew in the Dance Studio

Additional rehearsal for selected cast – Thursday 16 August periods 5&6

Week 6 - Wednesday 22 August - All Students Required - cast and crew

Week 7 - Wednesday 29 August - All Students Required - cast and crew in the Dance Studio

Week 8 - Wednesday 5 September - All Students Required - Final Rehearsal at school

Additional rehearsal for all cast and crew – Wednesday 5 September periods 5&6

#### Show Week - Week 9 - Wyndham Cultural Centre

Technical Rehearsal for selected students - Monday 10 September

Rehearsal and Performance – All cast and crew - Tuesday 11 September

Rehearsal and Performance – All cast and crew - Wednesday 12 September

#### Important Enrolment Information 2019

Please note registrations of interest for Prep and Year 7, 2019 have been confirmed and now closed. Applications for 2019 for the Woodlea Campus in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 will be placed on a waiting list.

### **BMG COMMUNITY CONTACTS**

#### **Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop**

#### Open times and days

Monday 12.30 – 4.30 Wednesday 8.00 – 12.00 Friday 12.30 – 4.30

Phone Orders - 5367 4072

You are welcome to make phone orders and pay with a credit card. Once payment is complete your order maybe delivered through the pigeon hole system to class and tutor groups.

#### Handy Hints.

- If I don't answer the phone, please leave a message and I will call you back.
- Please know the item and size you want.
- Please know your child's tutor group.
- Please have your credit card ready.
- Please expect next day delivery.
- Please put a note in your child's diary to alert their teacher that you are expecting a delivery from the uniform shop.

All these tips will make the ordering process run smoothly THANK YOU. Trish Shilton.

#### Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) - YMCA Ballarat

YMCA Ballarat now operate the Out of School Hours Care at Bac The relevant handbook and enrolment form are available via the <a href="School website">School website</a>. Additionally, families can request an information pack by making a request through the student diary. For more information regarding the OSHC programs offered by YMCA Ballarat please contact:

Mobile: 0438 154 842 or Email: bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au

#### REGULAR CONTACTS & INFORMATION

Absentee Line - 5366 4888 or Absentee Email - student absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au

Health Centre direct number - 5366 4873

Senior School After School Classes

**Tuesdays** – English (N Block) and Science (Room 01)

Thursdays - Mathematics (M Block)

Visit the <u>BMG Events Calendar</u> for the latest upcoming events.

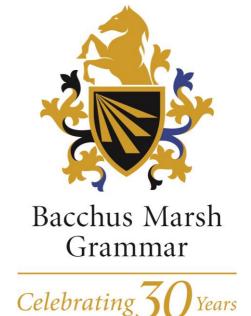
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# Free Two Day Workshop for Parents and Carers

Daylesford 29 & 30 August 2018

# Positive Partnerships is coming to a location near you!

Join us for 2 days of learning with other parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. Our workshops are for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximise their young person's learning.

# What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school
- Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parents/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to your child

# **Workshop details**

Venue: Grange Bellinzona

77 Main Road

**Hepburn Springs VIC 3461** 

When: Wednesday 29 & Thursday 30 August 2018

9.30 am - 2.30 pm (Registration from 8.45 am)

**Catering:** Morning tea and lunch is provided. Please advise any dietary requirements upon

registration.

Register Online: positivepartnerships.com.au Registrations open 15 June 2018 and close one

business day prior to the workshop. Register early as places are limited!

Questions? If you are not able to register online please call the Positive Partnerships

Infoline: 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au



