# BMG NEWS

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#### 30 Years on!

Thirty years ago a small group of local families came together to start a school for their children, one that offered opportunities and difference. In 1988 the journey of Bacchus Marsh Grammar began.

Last week the school reflected with students and staff. On Monday 3 September, students in Years 5-12 participated in an assembly with a number of speakers including, Mr John Rizzetti (staff), Mrs Sarah Hunter (staff), Mrs Kelly Dilges (founding student, staff member and parent), Mr Andrew Perks (staff), Mr Bryce Durham (student, now staff) Olivia Peterson (student).

Mr Rizzetti reflected on "the early days" and gave students a visual demonstration inviting fourteen Year 7 students to join him at the front of the assembly. These 14 students represented the Year 7 cohort in 1991 and a total of 112 students in Prep –Year 12 and he knew the first names of each of the students. Having limited resources and facilities Mr Rizzetti got into trouble for spending \$70.00 for a frame to support a white board. In 2018 there are currently 231 students in Year 7 and facilities and resources are fabulous for staff and students.

In 1991 Wilson Hall was "a shed", this was the first assembly space and took shape with staff, students and families lending a hand on weekends to clean, paint and create garden spaces. There was always a question in the back of our minds, was BMG going to survive? Staff posted flyers in people's letterboxes to drum up students as the school needed more students if we were survive. BMG'S survival is unique and quite amazing, which has taken dedication, hard work and vision.





#### Reminder to all Families: End of Term 3 is Friday 21 September

Earlier finish times for Prep Reception to Year 6 Students is -2.05pm and students in Years 7-12 will finish at 2.15pm. Buses will coincide with the early finish times.

# 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Day – Friday 7 September

The School conducted tours on Friday 7 September, open to past students and staff, but also including the broader Community as well.

More than 70 people attended across the day at set tour times. These tours were led by Year 7 students and Year 12 leaders to discuss the history of the School and to show case certain classes and subjects. The feedback received from attendees has been glowing, all highlighting the professionalism of the leaders and the day as a whole.

On display in the BMG Café were nostalgic photos showing how the School commenced to its journey today.

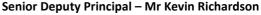
A huge thank you to the Hospitality staff and students for their involvement in preparing coffee, tea, cupcakes and 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary biscuits.

An acknowledgement to the following students (and Mr Steven Bell) for their exceptional performances throughout the day:

-Juulke Castelijn, Eliza Galvin, Ally Eley, Sophie Dunn, Stephanie Trento, Chloe Dragwidge, Dorothy & Josh Quinal, Caitlyn De Kuyper, Makenzie Kelly & Lauren Walmsley.

An additional thank you to all of the staff who collated the historic photos and information in preparation for this milestone. It is greatly appreciated.











#### **Careers News**

The 6th Edition of the BMG Careers Newsletter has been emailed to students in the Senior School. Parents/guardians and the community can access careers newsletters on the School website.

There are many September break career-development activities listed in the newsletter that are well-worth attending.

Students in their final year are encouraged to make VTAC applications for 2019 course entry. Applications need to be made by 27 September. A reminder that SEAS and Scholarship documentation should be completed by Friday 12 October.

Students in Year 9 are strongly encouraged to begin considering potential work experience placements for 2019. Whilst Work Experience is not mandated, it is a requirement of the Year 10 Leadership Program. Many high profile employers, such as the Major Hospitals, Broadcast Media companies, etc, will begin to invite applications for the future year.

Alice Wu-Tollis - Careers & Course Counselling: Practitioner

#### **Year 4 to 6 Sports News**

Congratulations to the 40 students that competed in Divisional Athletics at Werribee. We have 16 competitors going through to Regionals on 16 October. A big thank you to Mr McLoughlin and Miss Majewski for accompanying the team. Well done!

Ms Rachel McMahon - Head of Junior School Phys. Ed & Camps

#### **Years 7-12 Sports News**

#### **Elite Sport Applications Year 9 and 10**

Thank you to all students who applied for the Elite Sporting Program Years 9 and 10 for 2019. Information regarding successful candidates will be released shortly with subject selections.

The standard of applicants was extremely high once again with many athletes achieving either State or National representation within their chosen Sport. I would like to thank all students who went through both the written and fitness testing aspect of this application process.

#### Singapore U/15 International Netball Challenge

In 2019 Bacchus Marsh Grammar will be once again offering students the opportunity to compete in the 11<sup>th</sup> International Singapore Youth Netball Tournament. The dates for this event will be approximately 21 - 30 November 2019. The team will be made up of 15 years and under (As of 1/1/19) Bacchus Marsh Grammar Girls.

This is an outstanding opportunity for our athletes to show case their talents against teams from South Africa, New Zealand, Australia and Asia. The team will be coached by Mrs Daniel with an assistant coach and manager to travel with the team. The approximate cost of the trip will be \$3200.00 inclusive of meals, accommodation, uniform and sight-seeing.

Any girls who have yet to express interest with Mrs Daniel or Mr Perks are asked to do so at earliest convenience. Further information is to follow.

Mr Andrew Perks - Director of Sport, PE & Health

#### **Instrumental Music Program 2019**

All students currently enrolled in the Instrumental Music Program in 2018 will be required to re-enrol for 2019 if they wish to continue lessons.

Re-enrolment forms for the Instrumental Music Program for 2019 will be sent home to existing students this week. **The form must be completed even if you are wishing to cancel out of the program.** This form **MUST** be returned to administration by **Friday 12 October 2018** to secure your child's place in the 2019 Instrumental Music Program or to cancel from the program. If no notice has been received by this date, students may lose their current place in the program and will be added to the waiting list until further notice.

Students wishing to enrol into the 2019 instrumental program who are not currently part of the program, need to complete an <u>Instrumental Music Program Expression of Interest Form</u> which can be found on the <u>school website</u>.

Formal letters of offer will be sent to parents the week beginning Monday 12 November next term.

Please note that allocated teachers may change from year to year due to a number of factors. Every effort is made for students to retain their existing teachers, but this is not always possible.

In the instance that a student is enrolled in a shared lesson format and a suitable partner to share with is not available, students will continue to be enrolled in a shared lesson format but will receive a reduced private lesson of 20 minutes.

Parents are encouraged to contact the Director of Music, Dean Thomas, if they have any queries about enrolment, lesson format, instrument purchase/hire or any other general music enquiries.

Mr Dean Thomas - Director of Music

Year 12 Valedictory Dinner Tuesday 23 October 2018 - Tickets now on sale 2018

The 2018 Year 12 Valedictory Dinner will be held on Tuesday 23 October 2018 at

Etihad Stadium, Bourke Street, Docklands. Ticket sales for this event have available via the School website

Families have until Friday 21 September to finalise their purchase.

Additional tickets may be requested by emailing Cathy Perconte.

#### **Science Week Competition Winners**

We are proud to announce the following Science Week winners – however every student that participated should also be congratulated for their efforts.

#### **Science Fair Group Project Winners**

1st Place Elizabeth Grosshans 10A

2nd Place Alana Cooper, Claudia Runge, Anika Kanneganti & Paris Bennett 6E

Equal 3rd Place Sehaj Grewal 5B

Equal 3rd Place Roxy Ward and Peta Glenn 6A

Highly Commended Abby Barnes 5F

Highly Commended Alisha Conway, Keisha Tau and Imogen Lughermo 5F

#### **Science Poster Winners**

1st Place Isaac Fisher 6B
2nd Place Lily Trethowan 9G
3rd Place Gregory Litvin 5A
Highly Commended Angel Malhotra 5E

#### **Presenter Award Winners**

1st Place Tristian Kleiner 5B 2nd Place Joanne Jospeh 5B

3rd Place Jonah Noonan 6C and Matthew Harbison 6B

#### **Young Scientist Award Winner**

Eloise Grosz 4A

#### **Draw Like Da Vinci**

#### **Year 5 Award Winners**

1st PlaceKaleb Presland Faorlin 5B2nd PlaceRoshyna Attwal 5E3rd PlaceAathanah Akilan 5F

#### **Year 6 Award Winners**

1st Place Demaira Kahal 6B
2nd Place Chimmayi Potluri 6A
3rd Place Peta Glenn 6A

#### **Famous Scientist Competition Winners**

1st Place Christian Funina 4C 2nd Place Gregory Litvin 5A 3rd Place Srikar Buddi 6C

# **Colouring in Competition**

Prep Reception		Year 2	
1st Place	Robinson Duan	1st Place	Jesse Coleman 2A
2nd Place	Noah King	2nd Place	Avneet Kaur 2D
3rd Place	Evie Lancaster	3rd Place	Akshar Thatipelly 2A
Prep		Year 3	
1st Place	Maya Newton Prep E	1st Place	Olivia Karcoushkas 3A
2nd Place	Valentina Stagar Prep F	2nd Place	Kaavya Niranjan 3G
3rd Place	Anabelle Evans Prep C	3rd Place	Baylea Kelly 3D
Year 1		Year 4	
1st Place	Dini Mala 1G	1st Place	Nimah Imtiaz Ahmed 4D
2nd Place	Freya Loong 1C	2nd Place	Liam Donoghue 4F
3rd Place	Billy Masood 1C	3rd Place	Siena-Mae Rossignolo 4A

#### **Canteen News**

The Canteen Provider will be implementing an EFTPOS facility available for students and staff at the senior side of the canteen from the start of Term 4. The system will allow 'Tap and Go' or Swipe and will have a \$5 minimum purchase per transaction with no transaction fees. The system will not allow cash withdrawals.

# **Student Achievements**

#### Congratulations to Noah Karcoushkas (6E) and Oscar Burt (6E)

Congratulations to Noah and Oscar who Co Captained their Werribee Districts U12/2 team to a Premiership.

They were invited to the WRFL presentation night to be officially presented with the cup along with their coach.

#### **Congratulations to Summer Wray**

Summer Wray (6E) competed this week at the Ski & Snowboard Australia Children's Races at Thredbo, NSW. She is congratulated on her efforts competing on World Cup courses, racing the best in Australia.

GS: Race 1 - 21<sup>st</sup> & Race 2 - 21<sup>st</sup>

• Slalom: Race 1 - 17<sup>th</sup> & Race 2 - 18<sup>th</sup>

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES

#### **Book Fair Backorders**

We are now down to a few items yet to arrive from Book Fair. The most recent stock delivery is being distributed this week. As our library staff are extremely busy distribution has been slow. We appreciate your patience.

#### Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge - The challenge has now finished for 2018.

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Challenge over the last week;

Jesse Cutler 3C, Xavier Johnston 3C, Ruby Nathan 3D, Yashwin Joon 4A, Archer Davey 4B, Alana Fenech 4B, Eknoor Kaur Gill 4B, Liam Mardesic 4B, Simran Sehrawat 4B, Amy Whittaker 4C, Aashi Goregaonkar 4D, Eva White 4D, Parnika Mehrotra 4F, Uday Samra 4F, Keneisha Dubey 4G, Arindam Singh Raghav 4G, Rudraksh Sayal 4G, Alexander Lazos 5C, Roshyna Attwal 5E, Himani Arora 5G, Jamasyn Maier 5G and Thomas Morton 6A.

#### Senior School Indonesian Study Tour2019

There will be an information session for all students interested in participating in the Indonesian study Tour in June 2019 on 18 September at 6:30pm. The information session will be held in the Lecture theatre adjacent to the senior school library. All are welcome. Deposit payments for the trip portal for deposits for the Indonesia trip is open and must be made through the myBMG Parent Portal.

#### **Senior School New Caledonia Study Tour 2019**

The New Caledonia study tour is planned to occur in June next year. Deposit payments for this tour are also to be made through the <a href="myBMG Parent Portal">myBMG Parent Portal</a> and will close Monday 17 September.

This is a wonderful opportunity for students learning French to practise their language, whilst enjoying a week away from the Victorian Winter. Please contact Mrs Fiona Erhardt for further information.

Mrs Fiona Erhardt - Learning Area Coordinator: LOTE

# **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**

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

YMCA Ballarat now operate the Out of School Hours Care at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. The relevant handbook and enrolment forms are available via the <u>School website</u>. Additionally, the programs offered over the term break are available on the website also.

For more information regarding the OSHC programs offered by YMCA Ballarat please contact:

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

#### **On Campus Uniform Shop**

Please check that your summer uniforms still fit!

Last day Term Three:

Friday 21st September: 12.30pm to 4.30pm.

**Holiday Hours:** 

Wednesday 3rd October: 10am to 2pm. Thurs 4th October: 10am to 2pm.

Friday 5th October: 10am to 2pm.

First day Term Four

Monday 8th October: 12.30pm to 4.30pm.

**Note to Year Four Students/Parents** 

Please begin thinking about the fact that you will need a Blazer for next year. Please feel free to come in for a fitting

anytime during Term Four. Contact: Ph - 03 5367 4072

# **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)

**BMG Events Calendar** 

Visit the **BMG Events Calendar** for the latest upcoming events.

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#### St Andrew's Parish Werribee

# HOME BASED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM AT ST. ANDREW'S PARISH WERRIBEE

All parents of children attending non Catholic Primary Schools in the Werribee area who are interested in their child attending the Sacramental Program for 2019 are asked to leave their details at the Parish Office on 9741 4144 or email <a href="www.werribee@cam.org.au">werribee@cam.org.au</a>

The program is conducted for children from Grade 3 to Grade 6.

Please note – Enrolments close 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018.



# Bacchus Marsh Soccer Club – Summer Sevens Season

For Further details or registration forms contact: Phone 0434917429

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Email: bacchusmarshscorpions@hotmail.com.au