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VCAL Grampians Expedition

The BMG VCAL class consisting of Year 10, 11 and 12 students headed to the Grampians for a hiking expedition camp last week. This expedition is part of the requirement students must undertake as they work towards their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. Once settled at the campsite the students spent time at Brambuk Aboriginal Cultural Centre in Halls Gap learning about the indigenous culture of the area, sampling traditional foods and even painting their own boomerang. Students assist with the planning of the expeditions which includes food planning and purchasing. The students met their next challenge by bravely heading to the supermarket to purchase the provisions they would need for the next two days. This involved teamwork and determination in order for the students to procure what they needed.

On day two of the camp students hiked up to Pinnacle Point. The route taken was both physically and mentally challenging. The students exhibited remarkable resilience during the activity, which saw them push themselves to their limits. Once at the top the students were able to enjoy the spectacular views before descending back to our campsite. The students finished off their day by cooking a barbeque for themselves and the staff.

Day three saw our students take part in an early morning yoga class on the oval opposite Halls Gap Camp Ground. The students realised that yoga isn't as easy as they thought and once finished headed back to the campsite to pack up before returning to BMG. We are very proud of the students and the determination they showed during the camp.

Mr Michael Howell - Duke of Edinburgh Award Coordinator



Reminder

Monday 11 March is a Public Holiday – No students or staff at school.

School Captains Introduction



My name is Ben Campey and I am one of the School Captains for 2019. I started at the school in Year 7, having completed Primary school at Ballan Primary.

Since starting at the school, I have participated in numerous leadership programs, having been in SRC, a Year 9 and 10 Leader and now part of the Year 12 Leadership team.

I have received many awards within the school, including Academic Excellence and Outstanding Effort commendations.

Outside of school, I am heavily involved as a volunteer with the Ballan RSL, part of a key group in its revival after its near closure.

Currently, I work at the Paul Sadler Swimland in Bacchus Marsh as a swimming instructor, and am finding it a highly rewarding occupation.

I believe a leader is a person who listens to the people, placing everyone else's needs before their own and encouraging everyone to strive for their best.

I'm looking forward to the coming year and the opportunities it will bring.

Ben Campey



I am so honoured to be one of the Bacchus Marsh Grammar School Captain's for 2019. This has been a position that I have always admired and aspired to hold.

I have attended Bacchus Marsh Grammar since Prep Reception and have been actively involved in a number of leadership activities in both Junior and Senior School. During my secondary years, I have enthusiastically involved myself in the diverse activities that Bacchus Marsh Grammar so proudly offers, including public speaking and debating competitions, productions, sporting teams and the Student Representative Council.

Personally, leadership means being a strong role model, inspiring and empowering others. I do this by leading by example, as I truly believe a leader is only as good as their followers.

My one piece of advice is for everyone to get involved and really embrace the opportunities we are so fortunate to have access to at Bacchus Marsh Grammar.

After the completion of Year 12, I aspire to complete my Bachelor of Business Management where I am planning on double-majoring in marketing and human resources, as this is an area of study I am extremely passionate about.

I am fortunate enough to be currently participating in the Deakin Inspire program allowing me to get a head start on my University degree as part of my Year 12 studies. I look forward to seeing what my final year at Bacchus Marsh Grammar has in store for me, and I am truly grateful to be able to attain such a high standard of education.

Elexis Chapman

Student Wellbeing

ThinkUKnow

ThinkUKnow was started in the United Kingdom by the Child and Online Protection Centre and was developed for Australian Audiences by the Australian Federal Police in 2009. It is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Commonwealth Bank, Microsoft and Datacom working toward delivering resources to parents, carers, teachers and young people.

ThinkUKnow provides information on the technologies young people use and aim to provide the necessary tools to create a safe online environment for young people.

The ThinkUKnow website offers a wide range of resources including a 'Parent Portal' that contains fact sheets, information on parental controls, decoding terms and conditions on social media services and much more. We encourage you to explore the ThinkUKnow website.

Mrs Rosalind Pittard - Assistant Principal - Student Wellbeing and Pastoral Care

2019 Business Notice and Polices

BMG families were emailed on 4 December 2018 advising of the 2019 School Fee Schedule and release of the 2019 Business Notice.

Unfortunately, not all families have completed the 2019 Acknowledgement of Business Notice & Policies, and we remind parents to log into the myBMG Parent Portal via the School's website to complete this process at earliest convenience.

If you are still requiring assistance, please contact Administration on (03) 5366 4800.

Exclusion from Multimedia

The School is active in photography and videography within the school grounds and when recording key assemblies, activities, camps and excursions throughout the year. These forms of multimedia* are utilised to communicate to our School Community main achievements, notable news and events, via our weekly newsletter, website blogs, Yearbook and minimally via social media and advertising.

*Multimedia is defined as photography, video, audio or any other form of electronic recording.

It is important that the School is aware of any students who are not permitted to have their photograph or any video footage feature in these forms of communication.

The School has developed a key exclusion from multimedia listing for 2019 based on parents response to relevant sections of the Acknowledgment of Business Notice and policies sent by the Principal in December 2018.

If parents would like to register their child/ren to the 'Exclusion from Multimedia' listing for 2019, it is important that you do so by **Friday 15 March** and follow the link to the <u>School's website</u>, complete the relevant form and return it to the Main Administration office or scan and email it to school@bmg.vic.edu.au.

Should you miss this cut-off date (*Friday 15 March*), or have any questions please contact the Communications Officer on 03 5366 4800.

Senior School Sports

VIS High Performance Manager presents to BMG Athletes

BMG FedUni/ WestVic Elite Sports Athletes were treated to a fantastic presentation on Culture, Talent and Growth by Rob Leeds High Performance Manager at the Victorian Institute of Sport. Rob is a renown HP Coach and Manager having been an Academy Coach with Tennis Australia before taking on his role at the VIS. The lecture gave students a great insight into the importance of failure in creating an elite performer and the sacrifices required to produce meaningful results.



Bacchus Marsh Grammar Elite Sports Athletes with Rob Leeds from VIS

Musculo-Skeletal Screening for BMG Athletes

As part of the Bacchus Marsh Grammar Elite Sports Program all students this week underwent a Musculo-Skeletal Screening conducted by PhD Exercise Physiologists from Federation University working in conjunction with Bacchus Marsh Grammar and the WestVic Academy of Sport. These screenings are vital in providing the program with information that will enable coaches to accurately design and implement programs for the athletes in Strength and Conditioning. These screening are also extremely accurate in "picking up" body misalignments or muscle weaknesses/ imbalances that may result in injuries in the future. Many thanks to the "crew" from FedUni/WestVic Academy of Sport.



FedUni/WestVic Academy Exercise Physiologists with Eliza Wales

Fantastic Individual Sporting Success

Congratulations to the following students who have been performing brilliantly in their chosen sports:

Graeme Frislie and Elizabeth Nuspan – Year 12 FedUni WestVic Academy of Sport/BMG Elite Sport athletes Graeme Frislie and Elizabeth Nuspan have once again excelled at the State Track Cycling Championships gaining them both selection in the Victorian Team for the upcoming Track National Championship in Brisbane on the 3-6th April.

Graeme won Gold in the 1 kilometre Time Trial and Silver in the 3000m Individual Pursuit and the Sprint. Whilst Elizabeth won Gold in the 500M Time Trial and Sprint, she also won a Bronze in the 2000m Individual Pursuit. Congratulations on these wonderful achievements.

Mr Andrew Perks - Director of Sport

Woodlea Campus

Woodlea Middle School Production - Aladdin

Auditions for the Woodlea Middle School Production will be held on Tuesday 12 March. For more information regarding auditions please contact: Natasha Davey – daveyn@bmg.vic.edu.au

Information forms and scripts can be collected from Ms Underwood.

Student Activities

You're invited to join us for High Tea at BMG.

The Year 11 VET Hospitality students are hosting a series of High Teas on nominated Wednesdays and Fridays in the coming weeks. Students and staff wish to invite the BMG and wider community to experience the service provided by the Year 11s as part of their VET program assessments.

Bookings and payments are to be made online via the <u>Schools website</u> using Try booking. Bookings will open Friday 1 March and are strictly limited to 30 people per High Tea.

All funds raised will support a nominated charity. Ticket pricing includes a variety of hot beverages and finger food.

*A thirty-cent booking service fee will apply to each ticket.

Tickets: Adult/Concession - \$10.00 Child 2-5 years - \$5.00

Children under 2 years - no charge (Limited highchairs available)

The High Teas will be held on the following days. Wednesdays 10am – 11am, Fridays 2pm – 3pm.

Rainbow Theme - Wednesday 20 March

Tropical Theme - Friday 22 March
French Theme - Friday 29 March

Mad Hatter Tea Party - Wednesday 27 March

Please note:

- Due to the size of the venue and safety, we would like to advise pram access is not available.
- Please specify any dietary requirements when making your booking.
- Photos will be taken at this event and utilised for school publications (i.e. Year Book, newsletter) and on select occasions used for website content and social media.

BMG Easter Raffle 2019

The BMG SRC (Student Representative Council) is holding an Easter Raffle as the main fundraiser for Term 1. Money raised from this activity will be donated to The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

The SRC groups are seeking the support of families with donations of Easter eggs for the Easter raffle. Easter eggs will be used to make Easter baskets for raffle prizes. Eggs may be sent to Maddingley or Woodlea Administration Offices marked SRC RAFFLE by **Monday 25 March 2019**.

A booklet of 10 tickets will be sent home to each family. Tickets are 50 cents each and families are asked to return unsold, sold tickets and money to school by **Thursday 28 March 2019.** Ticket butts need to include the purchasers' name and contact a number written clearly.

The raffle will be drawn at school on Monday 1 April and winners will be notified.

The prizes being raffled are Baskets of Easter Eggs

Thank you to the school community for your support of the SRC raffle.



Camps Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) Information

Information was emailed to families in January in relation to the CSEF. This is applicable to families who hold a valid Centrelink Pensioner Concession or Health care card number (CRN). The CSEF application form can be downloaded from the School's website.

To encourage people to make an application, the School will provide a rebate equivalent to the Building Levy for those families who submit applications which are approved by The Education Department.

The form which outlines eligibility requirements needs to be returned to the School by 26 April 2019. Parents must meet the eligibility requirements by:

Eligibility Date: Tuesday 29 January 2019

2nd CRN validation date (for failed CRNs only): Tuesday 23 April 2019

Parents that received the CSEF at Bacchus Marsh Grammar in 2018 do not need to complete an application form in 2019, providing there has been no change to their family circumstances.

Enquiries should be directed to Rachel Davidson at accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au

2019 Term Dates

The 2019 Term Dates have been posted onto the school website.

BMG Community Contacts

Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop

Open times and days

Monday 12.30pm - 4.30pm Wednesday 8.00am - 12.00noon Friday 12.30pm - 4.30pm

Phone Orders - 5367 4072

Both Maddingley and Woodlea parents are welcome to make phone orders and pay with a credit card.

Orders will then be delivered at Maddingley through the pigeon hole system to classes or tutor groups, and to the Woodlea Campus Reception on Wednesday afternoons.

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.

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

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) - YMCA Ballarat

YMCA Ballarat operate the Out of School Hours Care at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. The before school program has been closely monitored over recent weeks and the programs viability under review due to daily attendance.

YMCA Ballarat is pleased to announce that the Before School Care program will continue into Term 2, at both Maddingley and Woodlea campuses, as there has been an incline of daily bookings.

The program will remain closely monitored, but at this stage if the attendance continues to increase, I am hopeful by the end of Term 2 it will be where we need the program to be to remain viable and to continue operating uninterrupted. The relevant enrolment forms are available via the school website.

If you would like to offer your feedback regarding our programs, please do not hesitate to contact the OSHC Director Chrissie Ashmore.

Maddingley Campus: South Maddingley Road, Maddingley, Victoria 3340

Woodlea Campus: Frontier Avenue, Aintree, Victoria. 3336

Email: chrissie.ashmore@ymca.org.au Phone: 0490 178 638 W: www.ballarat.ymca.org.au

OSHC Contact details:

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bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au

0438 154 842

Woodlea:

Woodlea.OSHC@ymca.org.au

0490 490 362

Regular Contacts

Student Absentees

Maddingley Campus

Absentee Line 5366 4888 or Absentee Email – maddingley absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au

Woodlea Campus

Absentee Line 5366 4988 or Absentee Email – woodlea absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au

BMG Events Calendar

Visit the BMG Events Calendar for the latest upcoming events.

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Woodlea Early Learning Centre

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General School Email: school Website: www.bmg.vic.edu.au



Community Information

Melton Scout Group

The Melton Scout group has been established for over 40 years and are aiming to increase group membership. Scouts cater for five different age sections from 5 years old to 26 years old. Scouts can help build life skills, friendships and confidence

Scouts is a whole lot of fun, we have overnight hall stays for Joey Scouts 5-7 years old, weekend camps and every 3 years a national 12 day camp, we learn many new skills including craft activities and camp craft. Our leaders at 2nd Melton Scout Group have many years of Scout experience and all have current WWC checks. We always welcome new members.

For more information contact Nicky on 0417 139 730 or visit the Scouts Victoria website.

The Eynesbury Eagles football Netball Club are looking



Looking for girls and boys to join our exciting club. Go online to www.eynesburyfnc.com.au and register now or call us on the below number for further information. Join us today for lots of fun.

Under 9's, 11's, 13's Footy - Michael - 0401 676 990 Auskick - Ryan 0413 986020 Net - Set - Go - Under 11's, 13's, 15's, 17's Netball Brooke - 0419 000 900

