

BMG NEWS

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2020 Prefects

Selection for a Prefect position involves a lengthy process, including a written application, panel interview, speech, and participation in a Leader's Day. Students must also have achieved School Colours and be an active member of the School community.

It is with great pleasure we announce our School's 2020 Prefects. Congratulations to all students on their selection to represent our school and I am confident they will do the School proud.

Mr Andrew A. Neal

Mia Stanley	School Captain
Callum Thomson	School Captain
Alexandra Dellar	Vice-Captain
Alejandra Camacho	Vice-Captain
Declan Xerri	Vice-Captain
Indiana Bowden	Vice-Captain
Eliza Wales	Vice-Captain
Arshnoor Singh	Vice-Captain
Elana Penny	Academic Captain
Jenna Franks	Academic Captain
Chantal Thomas	SRC Prefect
Irena Loh	SRC Prefect
Nikita Wright	Braeside House Prefect
Tylah Wright	Hilton House Prefect
Yianna Ross	Bacchus House Prefect
Sarah Holland	Pentland House Prefect

Majella McColl	Prefect
Caitlyn Welch	Prefect
Madalyn Ewert	Prefect
Mackenzie Kelly	Prefect
Eden Noonan	Prefect
Olivia Rivette	Prefect
Angelique Ross	Prefect
Laura Beard	Prefect
Alexandra Eley	Prefect
Avanish Dhaliwal	Prefect
Eliza Galvin	Prefect
Elizabeth Grosshans	Prefect
Miles Seager	Prefect
Olivia Way	Prefect



Temporary road closure at Parwan Road level crossing

All parents need to be aware of the temporary road closure at the Parwan Road level crossing in Maddingley. This is effective from Wednesday 13 November until Sunday 17 November.

This will impact all traffic to and from school including buses. Please refer to the information/map from Regional Rail Revival Victoria (RRRV) at the end of the Newsletter.

It is important that all parents who drop off and pick up students allow extra time to get to school and be familiar with the alternate route indicated by RRRV. Students who walk to school are required to walk over the train station overpass.

Community Service – Making Poppies for Remembrance Day

Year 9 students who have been undertaking their Duke of Edinburgh Award are required to complete a Community Service focus and we chose to make felt poppies to donate to the Ballan RSL. These poppies were made by a group of students in Year 9, with some assistance by School Prefects and the guidance of Mrs Loton. Together, this small group of students have worked together to make nearly 300 poppies.

Poppies are a symbol of remembrance around the world and adorn the war memorials around Australia, as well as having a presence in many local RSLs. We recently presented these poppies to Mr Rick Campey (pictured right with Mrs Hunter), President of the Ballan RSL.

The Ballan RSL are celebrating their 100-year anniversary this year and are a pillar of service and community spirit.

We hope these poppies can be displayed in the RSL and highlight to the wider community the importance of commemoration and respect to those who have and continue to serve.



Tashi Saini and Sarah Zakeer – Year 9

Sport Updates

Amelia Wilson: Gymnastics

Amelia Wilson is a very talented gymnast, who works very hard at her sport. Over the long weekend, she competed at the Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG) Victorian State Championships. This is where the top 100 gymnasts of each level, from around the State compete for the Victorian Title.

Amelia did an outstanding job achieving some 'personal bests'. Along with this, she also won **Gold, for Vault and was crowned the 2019 Victorian State Vault Champion for her level**, she placed 4th on floor (missing out on 3rd place by 0.3). Amelia placed 6th overall in the State. Congratulations Amelia, we are very proud of her hard work and achievements.

Region Finals: Basketball

Well done to the boys who competed in the SSV Region Basketball finals on Wednesday. They were successful and will compete in the State Final later this term. More to come next week.

Mr Nick Sher - Coordinator: Sport Years 3-6

Deakin Inspired Minds Program 2019

During weeks 3 and 4 this term, sixteen Year 9 students participated in the Deakin Inspired Minds Program, provided in partnership with Bacchus Marsh Grammar by Deakin University, Burwood.

The Deakin Inspired Minds Program is a challenging and highly rewarding experience, designed to give students a real taste of what university education involves, beyond the typical 'open day' experience.

The program involved two visits to Deakin's Burwood campus. Students first experienced academic lectures in four faculty areas, followed by a Q&A session with the lecturers later in the week. At school, students worked with Bacchus Marsh Grammar staff and the Deakin Student Ambassadors to prepare and research a research question based on the topic of their choice. They developed an understanding of tertiary study skills and academic requirements including: effective secondary research, using the Harvard referencing system and learning about how to conduct and analyse effective primary research.

Students worked incredibly hard to produce research reports of around 1000 words. They also prepared presentations to accompany the written report, presenting these to parents and staff in the Lecture Theatre on Wednesday 30 October. Topics covered were: Rugby Union in Australia, recycling practices, teachers and government exercise guidelines and cyber crime education.

- **First prize:** Emily Thistlethwaite, Daniella Camacho and Jack Boddington for their work on cyber crime.
- **Second prize:** Duraiz Dhingra and Bronte Stevens-Kelso.
- **Third prize:** Mehr Chhabra, Mehtab Dosanjh, Gurnoor Aulakh.

The full list of participants include: Gurnoor Aulakh, Haley Bidwell, Paige Blake, Jack Boddington, Daniella Camacho, Mehr Chhabra, Duraiz Dhingra, Sadewni Dissanayake, Mehtab Dosanjh, Khushleen Kaur, Bronte Stevens-Kelso, Grace Riddell, Jaimie Robinson, Emily Thistlethwaite, Madeline Wilson, Sarah Zakeer.

Congratulations and thanks to all our worthy prize-winners and to all the participating students. Their enthusiasm, diligence and academic achievement is to be commended.

Mrs Jennifer Clark - Deakin Inspired Minds Program Co-ordinator

Student Achievements

Support for Isaac Busuttil – Edge Pledge

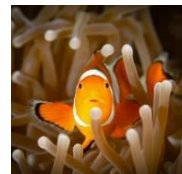
As part of Edge Pledge, Isaac is wishing to raise funds and awareness for the Orange Clownfish, which is suffering from depletion of their habitat. To try understand the feeling of this traumatic displacement he has come up with three challenges around this issue which includes:

1. Camp outside for a night (symbol of loss of habitat)
2. Hike over 20km to the Green Australia office (symbol of travelling long distances to find a new home)
3. Volunteer at Eat Up, making sandwiches for Aussie kids who don't have lunch (symbol of loss of food source)

All people have to do is visit the weblink below and vote for the challenge they wish for him to do.

<https://www.edgepledge.com/pledges/isaac-busuttils-pledge-b45a2eff-9420-4321-88e6-469126fae7f7>

All donations are tax deductible and go straight to Green Australia Reef Aid.



SRC News

During Term 4 we are running two different fundraising events: Breadtags for Wheelchairs and The Neighbour's Place Food Train.

We are collecting breadtags at the Administration Office and donating them to a charity that uses the plastic to create market items that are then sold to raise funds for wheelchairs. More information can be found at the following website: <http://www.breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za/collections.html>

We are also collecting non-perishable items for the annual Christmas Food Train that is then donated to The Neighbour's Place here in Bacchus Marsh to help those in need: dried pasta, pasta sauce, canned fruit, canned fish, rice, soup, etc.

Any questions please see Miss Bowers or Mrs Humphrey.

Miss Caitlin Bowers

School Administration

Parent Contact Details

The way the School will be communicating with families will be changing to an electronic communication system. Please ensure that your email and mobile telephone details are updated on the [MyBMG Portal](#).

Mrs Michelle Graham – Executive Assistant to the Principal

School Bus Information

VCE students travelling on buses

Public/private buses are not recommended for VCE Unit 3/4 exams that begin at 9.00am.

Students should aim to arrive thirty minutes before the commencement of all Unit 3/4 examinations.

The Victorian Curriculum And Assessment Authority (VCAA) state that students arriving late will not be given allowance for reading time.

Students arriving after 30 minutes of writing may not have their responses accepted by VCAA.

There will be NO private buses to Bacchus Marsh Grammar on Monday 4 November due to the mid-term break. Students sitting an exam that day will be required to make their own arrangements to and from School.

Late Bus

Any Year 12 students needing to catch the Late Bus during Term 4 are required to pay \$15.00 per trip to Reception upon signing up for the bus.

Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator

Conveyance Allowance

Families in rural and regional Victoria can get help with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest school or campus. This is known as the conveyance allowance.

The conveyance allowance is available to students travelling by:

- public transport
- private car
- private bus
- or to students whose nearest school is not serviced by a free school bus.

The conveyance allowance is a contribution towards transport costs and is not intended to cover the full cost of transporting children to and from school.

Eligibility

The conveyance allowance is available to families who meet certain criteria.

Students attending a school must:

- attend their nearest government or non-government school/campus appropriate to their year level at which admission is permissible
- be enrolled at a school/campus outside Melbourne's metropolitan conveyance boundary
- reside 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from that school/campus attended
- be of school age at the time of application, and reside in Victoria.

Please note that a Private Bus or Private Car conveyance allowance is not available if the journey could have been made using a free school bus or public transport service

Following a recent decision by the Student Transport Unit of the Education Department, it appears that there may be some movement the way the Department makes a judgement on what is the nearest appropriate school. This comes after considerable work by the school on your behalf.

Conveyance Allowance information continued.....

If your decision to send your children to Bacchus Marsh Grammar was because you felt that it was the nearest appropriate school that both respected ecumenical values but did not require your child to participate in religious instruction or religious celebration; then you may (subject to other Conveyance Allowance rules) be eligible for the Conveyance Allowance. If this statement applies to you, whilst I can make no guarantees, I believe it in your interest to submit a Conveyance Allowance Application for 2019. The application should be **accompanied by a simple letter** stating the reasons why you believe Bacchus Marsh Grammar is the nearest appropriate school because of its values and its lack of a requirement to participate in religious instruction or religious celebration of any particular faith.

Please contact Kerryn Browne for an application form or for further information.

BMG Cafe

BMG Café is our very own, on-site hospitality training centre for students in Years 9-12.

Opening from 7:30am to 8:30am each morning, allows our student baristas to prepare your favourite beverage with friendly and professional service.

Supporting our café provides the hospitality students with an authentic learning experience, mirroring the typical workload and responsibilities of employees in small cafés and restaurants, and allows our students with opportunities to further develop and reinforce the skills learnt in class.

Parents, staff and students are all welcome, so we hope to serve you soon!

Mr Jaike Ludewig – Food Technology

BMG Community Contacts

Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop

Blazer needed for Year 5 - 2020

Yes, it's that time of year for Year 4 students and parents. Your child will need a blazer for Year 5 in 2020.

Please be forward thinking and drop into the On Campus or Werribee Uniform Shop to try on and lay-by a blazer for next year. We fit with some growing room and you can always exchange in January if you need to.

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.

Enrolment is now completed online. For full information please visit the [school website](#).

Maddingley Campus: South Maddingley Road, Maddingley, Victoria 3340

Woodlea Campus: Frontier Avenue, Aintree, Victoria. 3336

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

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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

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- Personal best awards program
- Annual end of season club championships
- Option to compete in relay teams, and regional track and field championships
- Potential to compete in State championships, subject to qualification



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- Come and visit on Saturday mornings and see the events in action
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WORKS NOTIFICATION

Temporary road closure at Parwan Road level crossing, Bacchus Marsh

Major works are continuing on the Ballarat Line Upgrade to enable more frequent and reliable services as well as better stations, for thousands of passengers every day.

From Wednesday 13 November until Sunday 17 November, the level crossing at Parwan Road in Bacchus Marsh will be temporarily closed.

Traffic management and detour routes will be in place.

WHAT WE ARE DOING

From **12.01am Wednesday 13 November to 11.59pm Sunday 17 November**, we'll be temporarily closing Parwan Road between the Grant Street roundabout and South Maddingley Road.

Work on Parwan Road level crossing will include:

- Laying new track across the level crossing to tie into the new second rail track between the station and Kerrs Road in Maddingley
- Rebuilding and asphaltting the road approaches to the level crossing
- Painting new line markings.

These works will occur day and night.

DETOUR ROUTES AND TRAFFIC IMPACTS

Detour routes and traffic management will be in place:

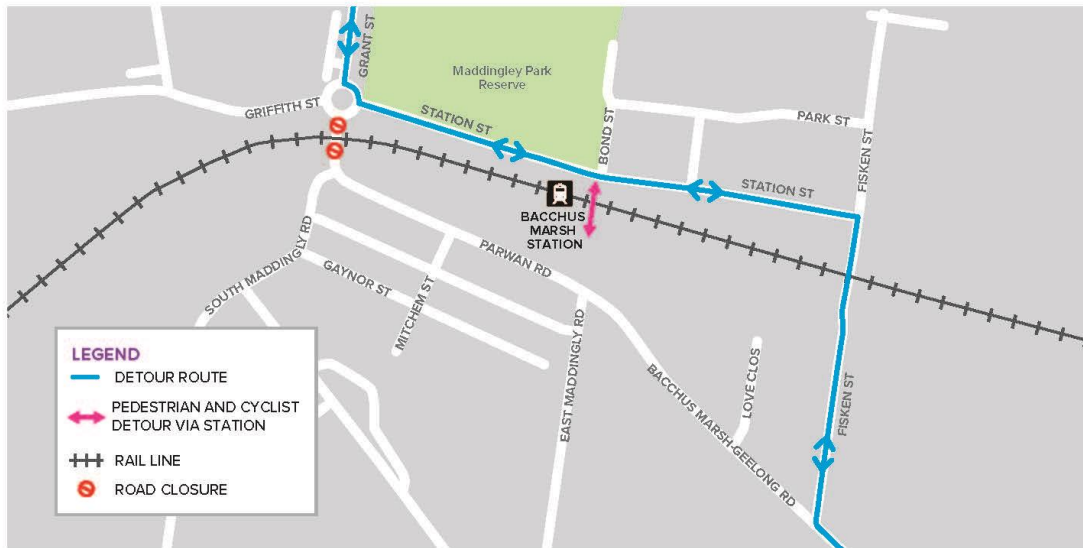
- **Southbound traffic:** Station Street to Fisken Street
- **Northbound traffic:** Geelong-Bacchus Marsh Road to Fisken Street
- **Pedestrian and cyclist access:** via ramps on the Bacchus Marsh Station pedestrian overpass

During this time, we encourage you to plan ahead by allowing extra travel time and considering alternative routes.

WHAT TO BE AWARE OF

- Machinery and workers near level crossings, on local roads and within the rail corridor
- **Reduced speed limits, signs and traffic management staff**
- Dust generation. Where necessary, water carts will be used for dust suppression
- Increased lighting and noise at the level crossing and in the rail corridor

Access to homes and businesses will be maintained at all times on either side of the level crossing.



PLAN YOUR JOURNEY

During the road closure, school children are encouraged to plan ahead and leave earlier to ensure they get to school on time.

The Ballarat Line Upgrade is also working with event organisers of the annual Strawberry Festival so that people visiting Bacchus Marsh from the south can access the weekend festival via Fiskien Street, Woolpack Road or Bacchus Marsh-Balliang Road.

Between Saturday 9 November and Sunday 1 December, coaches will replace trains on the Ballarat line as construction continues. Please plan ahead by visiting vline.com.au or calling **1800 800 007**.

CONTACT US

For more information about the Ballarat Line Upgrade:

	regionalrailrevival.vic.gov.au/ballarat
	regionalrailrevival@railprojects.vic.gov.au
	1800 105 105 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week)
	facebook.com/ballaratlineupgrade



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