

## Year 7 - Getting To Know You

Over the last fortnight, all Year 7 students have taken time out from classes to visit the Staughton Vale Campus. At this 200 acre farm location, students found themselves exploring a range of pastoral activities led by their enthusiastic Tutor teachers. Throughout these days, some students explored the apricot orchard and market garden and discussed their successes of the first few weeks of school as they slowly sampled the ripening fruits and vegetables.

Large groups of students also trekked through humid conditions to reach the observation deck. From high atop the ridgeline of the property, they marvelled at the picturesque Brisbane Ranges and surrounding district. And as they walked, they found themselves learning fascinating facts about the local environment, spontaneously laughing throughout numerous activities all the while getting to bond with their Tutor teachers.

Other students cooked mouth-watering tacos. They revelled in filling them to capacity with heaped spoonfuls of creamy guacamole, mountains of tasty cheese and ripe tomato slices. As they ate, many shared stories of their own family's food history and recipes and from these conversations came a sense of togetherness.

Throughout the day, all students were taught the importance of culture, belonging and service as these are some of the key tenets of Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Their sense of identity and belonging were channelled into painting an individualised laser-cut piece of woodwork. Their artwork will be combined with every student's artwork to be showcased on permanent display and be a reminder that they are part of a much bigger whole.

Excursion experiences like these are supported by Pastoral Care programs within the classroom. The Pastoral Care program aims to foster the growth and wellbeing of each student, as well as the broader school community. It also focuses on cultivating an environment and culture that supports the physical, social, intellectual and emotional development of every student.

Year 7, and school in general, is a journey and it is relationships that help to underpin its success. Whether they are student-teacher, peer, or parent-child relationships, it is vital that experiences like this are provided so that students and teachers can learn, laugh, and bond together.

A huge thank you must go to all of the Tutor teachers who planned their amazing activities, to Mrs Heywood for her culture based art activity and to Mrs Degnen for her help with the organisation of this experience.

**Mr Dean Peplinkhouse - Head of Middle School**



**Reminder – Orders for 'Special Food Days' during International Week close midnight Friday 28 February**

Click for details [Maddingley](#) and [Woodlea](#)

## School Vice Captain introduction

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### Indiana Bowden

My name is Indiana Bowden and as a Year 12 student at Bacchus Marsh Grammar I was fortunate enough to receive a position as a School Vice Captain for 2020. I have also had experience in being a Year 9 and 10 leader in previous years. Over my years at Bacchus Marsh Grammar, I have enjoyed involving myself in the school community by participating in activities such as the debating team, interschool sports teams such as netball, completing my Duke of Edinburgh award in 2018, being in the vocal ensemble, performing in the annual BMG in Concert, school productions such as 'Hairspray', 'Legally Blonde', and 'Once Upon a Mattress', and the annual House events such as swimming, athletics and cross country.

I have been a part of overseas trips with the school including the Singapore Sports School Tour for netball where we competed against other countries. I was also part of the school's World Challenge Expedition to Nepal last year where I was able to gain a greater appreciation of the world and people around me. This experience taught me some vital leadership skills that I am now able to incorporate into my everyday life and also the ability to be independent and self motivated.

A leader to me is someone who is a strong role model, someone who empowers and inspires others. I believe I embody this by leading by example, and putting my hand up for everything. I believe that everyone should get involved in the school community and the wonderful opportunities that we have here at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Being a part of the leadership team to implement change and make a difference, has always been one of my goals.

My aspirations for the future would be to travel to places I haven't been before to get a greater knowledge of the world around me, and then to continue my studies in environmental Engineering and Sustainability as that's what i'm passionate about.



### Arshnoor Singh

**"Leadership is about vision and responsibility, not power."**- Seth Berkley

This year, I have been fortunate enough to be awarded with the position of School Vice Captain for Bacchus Marsh Grammar. I intend to hold this position to empower the wider community within the school, and its campuses, namely Maddingley, Woodlea, and Staughton Vale.

Throughout my journey to Vice Captain, I have taken part in many elements of our school's culture, having held the positions of Year 9/10 Leader and Braeside House Leader. I have been an active member of the Debating Team for the school, as well as being the longest serving member of the Student Representative Council. All of these, as well as my Duke of Edinburgh Silver and Bronze Awards, have allowed me to become the leader I am today.

I acknowledge that Year 12 is a demanding year in your school life, but it is also one of the most treasured years of schooling, and paired with this leadership role, I hope to leave a legacy within the school that is esteemed for many years to come. My goal, as part of the Senior Leadership Group, is to essentially add to the School Community in every way possible, and unite all those involved with Bacchus Marsh Grammar, because together, we can do so much more.



## Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) –Applications Due

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**This is applicable to families who hold a valid Centrelink pensioner concession or Health Care Card number (CRN).**

If you are yet to return your CSEF form, please make sure this is returned to the Administration Office no later than Friday 19 June 2020 to ensure ample time for your application to be processed. Further information and the CSEF application form can be downloaded from the [School's website](#).

Enquiries and soft copy forms can be emailed to Rachel Davidson at [accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au)

**Ms Rachel Davidson – Finance Officer**

## BMG Strategic Planning

*“Patience is not passive; on the contrary it is a concentrated strength.” - Bruce Lee*

The next phase in Bacchus Marsh Grammar’s Strategic Planning will occur in Term 2, with whole-school staff involvement, many of whom are *also* parents (past and present) of students at the school. It is important for us to acknowledge that during and beyond this process, Bacchus Marsh Grammar is resolute in striving to further strengthen educational outcomes, fostered by an accentuated focus on student health and well-being. Above all, our quest is to enable each boy and girl to develop skills to identify their strengths and develop the capacity to apply them in their studies, their extracurricular and cultural activities, the way they communicate with one another and with their community, and how they serve.

The aim is to achieve this by developing each child to:

- be more motivated to excel;
- become more organised, harder working, diligent, self-disciplined, and achievement-orientated; and
- embrace new learning experiences, where each values and understands why they need to invest in their individual and collective learning.

These are our primary focuses these may further evolve. To enable this to occur, our pedagogy, broader culture, structures, programs, facilities, leadership and more, must all align to optimise the opportunities and environment for every child who studies at Bacchus Marsh Grammar.

Five strategic priorities have been identified, namely:

- Teaching, Learning and Curriculum
- Wellbeing and Pastoral Care
- Leading, Managing and Governing
- Culture
- Facilities, Resources and Administration

The Strategic Planning process will take several months to evolve, and several staff focus groups will be established to collate and process information sought (from every member of staff ) to establish guiding principles, objectives and action plans that will take the school forward in the coming years.

**Mr Bruce Simons - Associate to the Principal**

## Maddingley Middle School Leaders

The Middle School leaders for 2020 were acknowledged at the most recent Middle School Assembly. As part of the acknowledgment, both Middle School Captains, Hayley Carlesso and Jake Parton (Year 8), spoke to the gathering of students expressing to express their desire to serve the Middle School and wider community.

Mrs Dilges and I along with all of the Middle School Staff, look forward to their leadership, ideas, passion and service in 2020. Congratulations!



## YEAR 8 MIDDLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

<b>Captains</b>	Hayley Carlesso	Jake Parton
<b>Vice Captains</b>	Zack Burston	Ishnoor Gill
<b>SRC</b>	Riya Khandhar	Pari Patel
<b>Literacy</b>	Weerawardana De Silva	Saoirse Aykens
<b>STEM</b>	Rohan Krishnan	James Murphy
<b>Wellbeing</b>	Oliver Zaccaria	Marlee Wilson
<b>Performing and Visual Arts</b>	Aria Daly	Murphy O'Connor
<b>House and Sport Captains</b>	<b>Pentland House</b>	<b>Bacchus House</b>
	Freya Lidgett-Egan	Amy De Wit
	Summer Wray	Siennah Neskovski
	<b>Braeside House</b>	<b>Hilton House</b>
	Eleonora Milkovic	Kobe Shirra-Gibb
	Oscar Burt	Harry Jackson

## YEAR 6 MADDINGLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS





<b>Captains</b>	Chloe Lang	Aysha Masood
<b>SRC</b>	Ori Daniel	Ruby Gorton
<b>Literacy</b>	Tilly Campey	Alana Fenech
<b>STEM</b>	Gus O'Donnell	Lachlan Hunter
<b>Wellbeing</b>	Charlotte Muir	
<b>Performing and Visual Arts</b>	Aashi Goregaonkar	Talia Micevski
<b>House and Sport Captains</b>	<b>Pentland House</b>	<b>Bacchus House</b>
	Tayla Wray	Chloe Vo
	Justin Robins	Hunter Knight
	<b>Braeside House</b>	<b>Hilton House</b>
	Kayden Hopkins	Olivia Shin
	Mackenzie Copland	Zachary Dalli

Mr Dean Peplinkhouse - Head of Middle School

## Sport Updates – Swimming Results





### 2020 OVERALL MIDDLE SCHOOL HOUSE SWIMMING SHIELD RESULTS

 <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> Pentland Panthers 2,014 Points</p>	 <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> Hilton Hornets 1,854 Points</p>
 <p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> Braeside Bears 1,852 Points</p>	 <p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Place</b> Bacchus Broncos 1,648 Points</p>

### MIDDLE SCHOOL - YEAR LEVEL CHAMPIONS

<b>U/11 Female Champion</b> Ruby Gorton - BRAESIDE	<b>U/11 Female Champion</b> Ruby Gorton – BRAESIDE
<b>U/13 Female Champion</b> Maddison Weeks - PENTLAND	<b>U/13 Female Champion</b> Maddison Weeks – PENTLAND
<b>YEAR 7 Female Champion</b> Ella Ward – BRAESIDE Alisha Conway – HILTON	<b>YEAR 7 Female Champion</b> Ella Ward – BRAESIDE Alisha Conway – HILTON
<b>YEAR 8 Female Champion</b> Freya Lidgett-Egan - PENTLAND	<b>YEAR 8 Female Champion</b> Freya Lidgett-Egan - PENTLAND

### 2020 OVERALL SENIOR SCHOOL HOUSE SWIMMING SHIELD RESULTS

 <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> Bacchus Broncos 2,275 Points</p>	 <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> Pentland Panthers 2,223 Points</p>
 <p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> Braeside Bears 1,994 Points</p>	 <p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Place</b> Hilton Hornets 1,978 Points</p>

### SENIOR SCHOOL - YEAR LEVEL CHAMPIONS

<b>YEAR 9 Female Champion</b> Ava Wood - PENTLAND	<b>YEAR 9 Male Champion</b> Jackson Brown - BRAESIDE
<b>YEAR 10 Female Champion</b> Nava King- PENTLAND	<b>YEAR 10 Male Champion</b> Liam Wilson - HILTON
<b>Open VCE Female Champion</b> Sophie Parton - HILTON	<b>Open VCE Male Champion</b> Joshua Patterson - PENTLAND
<b>Tunnecliffe Race Female Winner</b> Nava King - Year 10 PENTLAND	<b>Tunnecliffe Race Male Winner</b> Joshua Patterson – Year 11 PENTLAND

Mr Evan Long - Coordinator: Head of Houses

## Equestrian News

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On Friday 21 February, we (Kane and Chanel Radburn) headed off to the first interschool showjumping competition of the year at Boneo Park. We entered four horses and they all jumped really well with Kane winning one of his rounds on his pony 'Jacko'. It was a great event and we are looking forward to the next showjumping competition of the year which takes place on Friday 28 February at Geelong Grammar.

Chanel Radburn – Equestrian Team

## BMG Easter Raffle 2020

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The BMG SRC (Student Representative Council) is holding its annual 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 **Friday 13 March 2020**.

A booklet of 10 tickets has been sent home to each BMG family. Tickets are 50 cents each and families are asked to return unsold, sold tickets and money to school by **Friday 13 March 2020**. Ticket butts need to include the purchaser's name and contact a number written clearly.

The raffle will be drawn at school on Friday 20 March and winners will be notified.

The prizes being raffled are Baskets of Easter Eggs.

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



## Canteen Ordering

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Lunch orders can be placed through the Qkr! App – see [school website](#). Friday is a very busy day for lunch orders and sometimes the Qkr! App times out or is slow in these busy periods. Canteen orders can be placed up to 2 weeks in advance and can be cancelled up until 9:30am on the fulfilment date.

Please refer to the website for further information on ordering and menus (<https://www.bmg.vic.edu.au/community/canteen/>).

## Conveyance Allowance

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Following a recent decision by the Student Transport Unit of the Education Department, it appears that there may be some movement on 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.

If your decision to send your children to Bacchus Marsh Grammar was because you felt that it was the nearest appropriate school that respected ecumenical values but did not require your child to participate in religious instruction or religious celebrations, 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 is in your interests to submit a Conveyance Allowance Application for 2020. 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 celebrations of any particular faith.

Please ensure that you complete the form that applies to your child's travel. Forms are available from the main office at both the Woodlea and Maddingley campus. Please be aware that no allowance is payable if the journey, to and from school, can be made using a free bus service.

Please contact Kerryn Browne if you have any queries.

Ms Kerryn Browne - Risk, Compliance and Policy Manager

## Music News

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### Maddingley Junior Showcase

On Friday 20 March, the Music Department will be hosting our first Junior Showcase for 2020. The event will take place at 9:00am in the John Leaver Gymnasium and will feature performances from the following classes/ensembles:

- Year 3 Students - Singing Item
- Year 4 Students - Singing Item
- Year 3 / 4 Choir

Parents and families are welcome to attend and we would love to see you there.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please do not hesitate to contact Aaron Marshall on (03) 5366 4800 or at [marshalla@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:marshalla@bmg.vic.edu.au).

Mr Aaron Marshall – Music Department

## BMG Community Contacts

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### Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop

#### 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.

Uniform information and shop business hours are listed on the [school website](#).

### 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](#).

**Email:** [chrisshie.ashmore@ymca.org.au](mailto:chrisshie.ashmore@ymca.org.au) **Phone:** 0490 178 638 **W:** [www.ballarat.ymca.org.au](http://www.ballarat.ymca.org.au)

#### Maddingley:

[bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au)

0438 154 842

Located: South Maddingley Road, Maddingley, Victoria 3340

#### Woodlea:

[woodlea.oshc@ymca.org.au](mailto:woodlea.oshc@ymca.org.au)

0490 490 362

Located: 111 Frontier Avenue, Aintree, Victoria. 3336.

## Regular Contacts

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### Student Absentees

#### Maddingley Campus

Absentee Line 5366 4888 or Absentee Email – [maddingley\\_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:maddingley_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au)

#### Woodlea Campus

Absentee Line 5366 4988 or Absentee Email – [woodlea\\_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:woodlea_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au)

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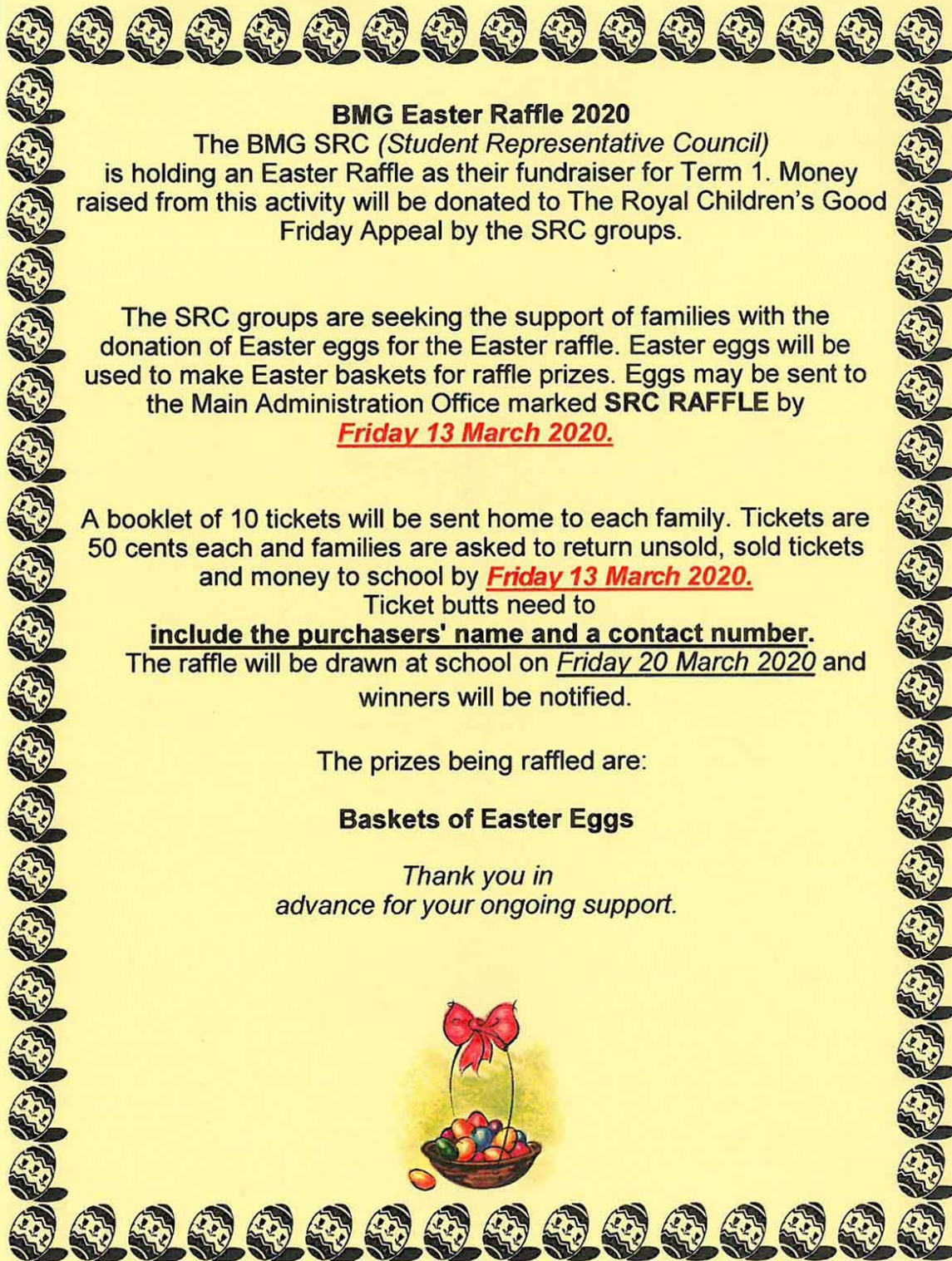
#### Woodlea Early Learning Centre

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Aintree VIC 3336

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School Website: [www.bmg.vic.edu.au](http://www.bmg.vic.edu.au)



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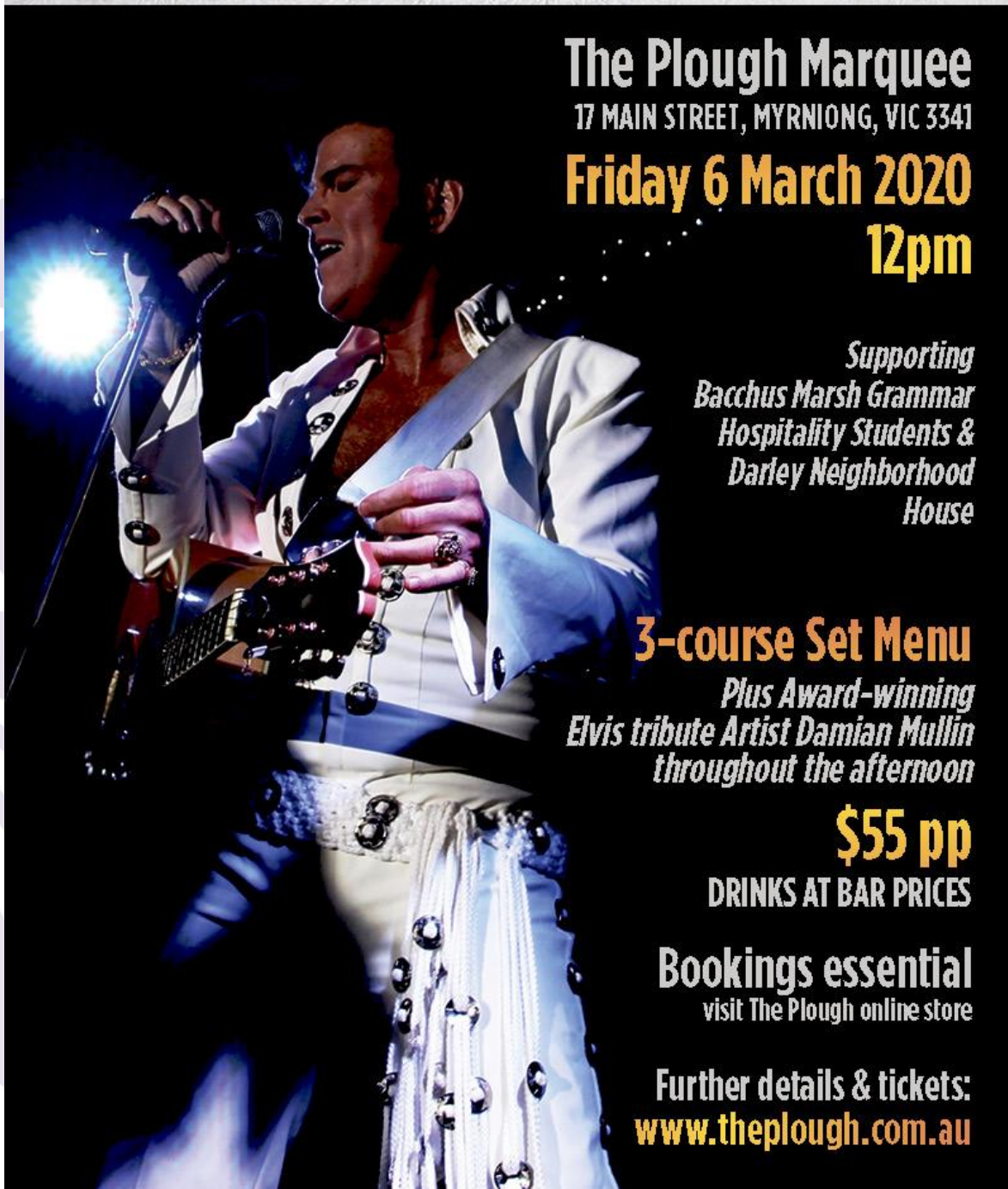
The prizes being raffled are:

**Baskets of Easter Eggs**

*Thank you in advance for your ongoing support.*







## The Plough Marquee

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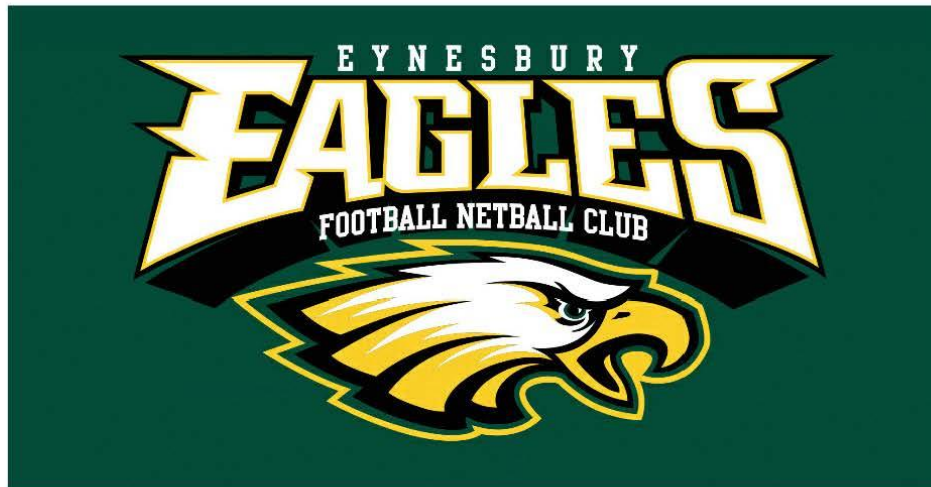
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