

# BMG NEWS

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## From the Principal

With the further easing of restrictions related to COVID there will be a number of changes at school.

### Activities

The range of activities at the school will move towards normal. House and Interschool sport will recommence, and a broader range of excursions and camps will be allowed.

### Entrances to School

The major entry points to the school will remain. Students will no longer require hand sanitizing by staff from today. Hand sanitiser will remain available for students particularly those coming off the train. Students will still be required to have their temperature taken automatically at entrances.

### Masks

Students over the age of 12 will not be required to wear masks unless they are unable to appropriately social distance. Secondary students are asked to have a mask with them for such occasions. Masks are still to be worn on the school bus and public transport.

### Movement on site

Daily movement around and on the campus will remain limited. A program of activities and events for parents particularly Years Prep to 4 will be announced separately. If a parent has a need to be in the learning space of the school, they are asked to enter and sign in at either the Gatehouse (Maddingley Campus) or Reception (Maddingley/Woodlea). Pick up arrangements will remain as they are.

**Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal**

## School Vice Captains 2021 - Introductions

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### Lachlan Beard



It is an honour to receive the position of Vice Captain in 2021. I arrived at this school in Year 7 and I have always looked forward to being in the Leadership Team at Year 12.

Over the years, I have enjoyed participating in many different extra-curricular activities ranging from ICCES sports to Senior School productions. I have also enjoyed acting as a leader wherever possible and challenging myself to take on more responsibilities within the school.

This year, I hope to implement a project which will assist students with their transition from primary school to secondary school and help younger students learn how to deal with stressful situations.

When I finish Year 12, I hope to pursue a career in acting in theatre and on screen, and I would like to eventually study at VCA. If this plan doesn't work out, I would like to pursue a career in fire

fighting.

### Ella Beazley



I am honoured to have received the role of Vice Captain for 2021. I have been a student at Bacchus Marsh Grammar since I was in Year 5 and have loved the learning environment and community that has surrounded me and for which I am very grateful.

I have had the opportunity to be active in the school community through the SRC, The Before School Reading Program and school productions, as well as many leadership activities.

Outside of school I have studied dance since I was three and have also helped in volunteer programs at the Footscray Hospital. I hope to bring my skills which I have developed through these opportunities to the school.

I look forward to my future at university and am excited to have received a guaranteed early admission to study Education in areas such as Psychology, Drama and History. In my last year at school, I plan to contribute my best to the Bacchus Marsh Grammar community which has been so supportive of me.

I believe that we can all be our best if we support and encourage each other and work hard.

### Cole Healy



My name's Cole Healy and I am one of the Vice Captains for 2021. I have attended BMG for five years and involved myself in the school's Leadership Team as much as possible. Being a member of the SRC, as well as a Year 9 Leader and a House Captain, has provided invaluable experience that I hope to utilise throughout my time as a Vice Captain. During my time as a Vice Captain, I hope to assist the school in any way possible. I particularly hope to optimise the school's Creative and Critical Thinking Program by ensuring that the time is used wisely by all students. I cannot state how grateful I am for this opportunity and I look forward to serving the school to the best of my ability.

### Megan Llana



I am honoured to be part of the 2021 Leadership Team as one of the School's Vice Captains.

I have been at Bacchus Marsh Grammar for almost six years and, in experiencing different parts of the school during that time, I have recognised some things I would like to work towards as a part of the Leadership Team.

The main one would be to provide more showcase opportunities for students prominent in music, media and the arts. There are so many talented artists at our school and their work deserves to be shared and appreciated, not only to give them the recognition they deserve, but also to enrich the lives of the student body and expose it to culture and performances from which it could draw inspiration.

With the help of our School Captains, Prefects, and my fellow Vice Captains, I am certain we will be able to make 2021 an unforgettable year for the school.

## School Vice Captains 2021 – Introductions – continued.....

### Victoria Ly



I am honoured to be given the opportunity to be a part of the 2021 Leadership Team as a Vice-Captain. I am excited to be presented with this position as I would like to not only support students and teachers, but also give back to the school community.

I have been involved in many areas of the school including ICCES, the Before School Reading Program and SRC. My involvement in these areas has helped me grow as a person and develop my communication, problem solving and leadership skills.

As part of the initiatives for this year, I would like to incorporate more hands-on learning in all areas of study and have support programs for those who are struggling with the ongoing pandemic - academically and mentally.

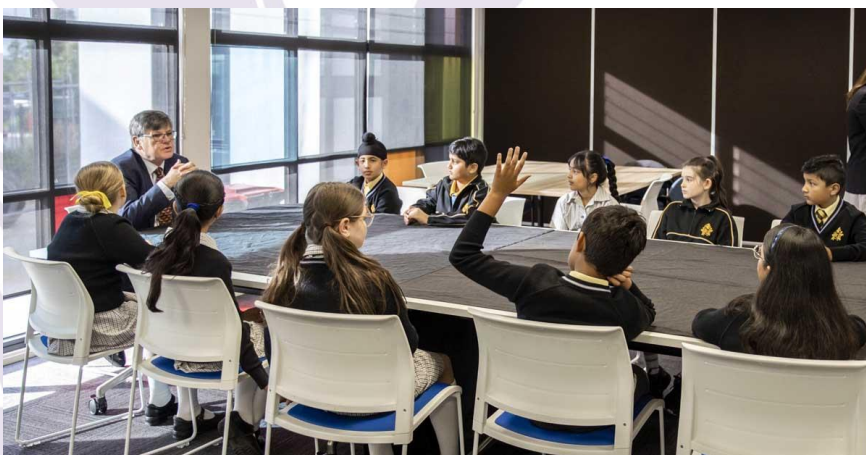
I look forward to working with the 2021 Leadership Team and endeavour to bring new opportunities to the school community.

### Mia White



I am extremely privileged to have been selected as a 2021 Vice Captain. As a student of BMG for the past 6 years I have always appreciated the encouragement to become actively involved within the life of the school. Some of the many opportunities that BMG has offered that I have been actively involved in include debating, public speaking competitions, annual school productions, Deakin Inspired Minds, Youth Parliament and more. As a member of the Leadership Team, I aim to target the stress surrounding VCE and provide safe spaces for students around the school. I hope to implement many programs to assist the welfare of BMG students whilst guiding them in this pivotal growth period. After school I aim to pursue a career in the medical profession to continue to support others and extend my knowledge.

## Woodlea - Service Leadership



Our Year 4 Junior Service Leaders at Woodlea had the opportunity to meet with Mr Andrew Neal last Thursday and discuss leadership at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. The students listened intently as Mr Neal shared stories of the history of the school, as well as important details on service leadership. They also enjoyed a special morning tea together. Included in the special morning was the chance to talk with the Year 8 School Captains and Vice-Captains. It was a wonderful event for everyone involved.



In further leadership news, all Woodlea student leaders have begun completing the BMG Woodlea Leadership Program. This program is designed to develop students' skills in understanding service, as well as improving their public speaking techniques and inter-personal capabilities. We look forward to continuing to work with our young leaders as they develop their competencies and actively contribute to the school.

**Mrs Sarah Hunter – Deputy Head of Woodlea Campus**

## Woodlea Co-Curricular

BMG Woodlea has successfully launched its Middle School after school classes/ clubs for 2021. Monday's after school classes are currently focused on Maths and English. These sessions are an opportunity for students to receive enrichment tasks and advance their skills or seek extra assistance to make improvements in numeracy and literacy. If your child attends these sessions, please ensure that they are attending a session appropriate to their skill set. Enrichment sessions are particularly challenging. Only students who are working well above their grade level should attend enrichment sessions.

Thursday's co-curricular opportunities in chess, sport, art and community service were also very popular. Students in attendance happily participated in all events. We look forward to the addition of external coaches for our chess students, as well as hosting Ms Lou Callow as our Artist in Residence. Ms Callow will be supporting the art team as they work at beautifying the school grounds.

In further news, BMG Woodlea will begin Futsal training for U13 girls and boys on 11 March. These training sessions will be held in the school gymnasium on Thursday each week. Students and families will receive more updates via email.

Please contact Mrs Sarah Hunter on 5366 4900 or [hunters@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:hunters@bmg.vic.edu.au) if you have any questions about the Woodlea co-curricular program.

**Mrs Sarah Hunter – Deputy Head of Woodlea Campus**

## Maddingley Junior School Information

### Maddingley Prep and Year 1 dismissal arrangements as of Tuesday 9 March

Now that the Prep and Year 1 students have settled well into the school year, dismissal time will now be 3pm each day. Students will continue to be collected from the same dismissal point, as per previously provided map. Older siblings may still pick up their younger sibling from their classroom and walk up together at 3:05pm. Considering the short gap in dismissal time, you may like to consider your Prep child being taken to the Gatehouse to meet you at 3pm and meeting other siblings at the pickup point as designated by you. Please make sure you inform your child's teacher of these arrangements. This has no effect on bus travellers.

**Mrs Elizabeth O'Day – Senior Deputy Principal**

## Hospitality News

Last week, students undertaking Hospitality Café presented a range of snack and lunch food products as a culmination of a product design process undertaken in class. Working with the brief of developing a suitable food product for staff at BMG, students exhibited critical and creative thinking skills when outlining their constraints and considerations prior to planning their designs. From this starting point, student groups investigated popular themes and food trends among adult consumers, before collating a range of sweet and savoury ideas to suit their chosen themes.

Once menus were developed and pre-orders were locked in, students worked feverishly to produce a set number of packs before selling them at recess and lunch on their chosen days. Customer feedback concerning the student designs was widely positive, and we commend all students for their efforts throughout this task. We would also like to share our thanks to all staff and students who supported this assessment by purchasing a snack/lunchbox and providing their feedback.



**Mr Jaike Ludewig - Learning Area Coordinator: Food Technology**

## Maddingley - Year 7 - Get To Know You Day

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Over the past couple of weeks our Year 7 students have taken time out from classes to visit the Staughton Vale Campus. At our 200 acre farm location, students found themselves exploring a range of activities.

All students were taught the importance of culture, belonging and service as these are some of the key principles of Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Their sense of identity and belonging were channelled into thoughtfully painting a personalised piece of artwork that will be combined with every student's artwork to be showcased on permanent display as a reminder that they are part of a much bigger whole.

During the day, groups of students went on a trek to reach the Observation Centre. Built high atop the ridge line of the property, it affords a view of the picturesque Brisbane Ranges and the city in the distance. Other students developed their skills working in small groups with challenges involving obstacle courses for marbles, speed response games and boat making and racing. There were also large wooden puzzle games that other groups of students enjoyed.

Year 7, and school in general, is a journey, as are the relationships we form during this journey. It is vital that experiences like this are provided to students so that they can learn together and bond with each other and their teachers as a cohort.

A huge thank you must go to all of the Tutor Teachers who planned their amazing activities and to Mrs Nicole Heywood for her culture-based art activity.

**Mr Dean Pепlinkhouse - Head of Middle School & Mrs Lisa Degnen - Year 7 Coordinator**



## Careers News

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### Career Events

A number of tertiary providers are hosting online and on-campus events for senior students in Years 9 to 12. Popular events will feature on Schoolbox News. Students can view these events on their Schoolbox dashboard.

### Year 12 Career Interviews

Individual career meetings for Year 12s are continuing this term through to Term Two. Year 12 students must organise their own appointment times through the Careers Booking System.

### Language Studies Outside of BMG

Students studying a **VCE Language subject at the Units 1 & 2 or Units 3 & 4 level** at a provider **outside of BMG** (typically at the Victorian School of Languages), are reminded to complete and return the 'Assessing Schools Enrolment Form' found at: <https://schoolbox.bmg.vic.edu.au/homepage/9382>

This form must be completed and returned to the Careers office or emailed to [careers@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:careers@bmg.vic.edu.au) ASAP to ensure that these VCE units are reflected in the student's program of studies through The Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA).

**Mrs Alice Wu-Tollis - Careers & Course Counselling: Practitioner**

## Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) Information

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Information was emailed to families this week 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 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 18 June 2021 (last day of Term 2). Parents must meet the eligibility requirements by:

- Eligibility Date: 27 January 2021
- 2nd CRN validation date (for failed CRNs only): 19 April 2021

Parents who received the CSEF at Bacchus Marsh Grammar in 2020 do not need to complete an application form in 2021, providing there has been no change to their family circumstances.

Enquiries should be directed to Ms Sharon de Vries at [accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au)

**Ms Sharon de Vries – Finance Officer**

## Conveyance Allowance

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We request that parents who have emailed their Conveyance Allowance application to the School, also submit the original copy of their application to the office.

Please contact Kerryn Browne on 03 5366 4800 if you have any questions.

**Ms Kerryn Browne - Risk, Compliance and Policy Manager**

## Bus Information

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### Maddingley Late Bus

The late bus will operate from Maddingley Campus each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. The late bus is available for students who are involved in after school activities or after school classes. The late bus is only available to students in Year 4 to Year 12. Students must sign up for the late bus in the Administration Office prior to 1.30pm on the day of travel. The cost of travel is \$15.00 per journey. A copy of the timetable is available on the [school website](#).

### Woodlea Late Bus

The late bus will operate from Woodlea Campus each Monday and Thursday afternoon. The late bus is available for students who are involved in after school activities or after school classes. The late bus is only available to students in Year 4 – Year 8. Students must sign up for the late bus in the Administration Office prior to 1.30pm on the day of travel. The cost of travel is \$15.00 per journey. A copy of the timetable is available on the [school website](#).

### Updated Timetables

All buses have been monitored over the past 3 weeks for timings and routes in the am/pm and timetables have been adjusted accordingly to real live times, taking into account traffic and road works. We ask parents and students to familiarise themselves with the new timetables and minor changes to the bus bays. Timetables that have been updated have been emailed to parents with an effective date of Tuesday 9 March 2021. Updated timetables are available on the [school website](#).

### Student ID Cards

By the end of this week (Friday 5 March) ALL students will have been issued their Student ID cards. Students must use their Student ID cards to tap on/off the bus for each journey, including travelling on the late bus. Students who continually travel without a Student ID Card to tap on/off the bus will be reported to their Year Level Co-ordinator.

**Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator**

## Events Calendar

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Dates for upcoming events/excursions and day camps can be viewed via the events calendar on the [school website](#).

## Book Club News

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Read more information relating to the latest Book Club News, via the [school website](#).

## 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.

Enrolments are completed online. For full information please visit the [school website](#).

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

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

## Regular Contacts

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### Student Absentees

#### Maddingley Campus

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# BMG Futsal

Training for U10, U12 & U15 School Teams



**WOODLEA**  
Soccer Academy

Bacchus Marsh Grammar and Woodlea Soccer Academy are thrilled to work together to build BMC School Teams for the Under 10, Under 12 and Under 15 school team (both boys and girls teams).

We are now inviting Expression of Interest for this program. Please contact Sarah Hunter (Assistant Principal, Deputy Head of Woodlea Campus) or Liam Gill (Specialist Teacher: Head of PE, Woodlea Campus)

**The teams will be coached by Mineiro (Head Coach) ex-Brazil FIFA World Cup player and his team.**

Mineiro is a former Brazil National Team player and featured in the 2006 FIFA World Cup Squad. He has played for some of the top clubs in Brazil (Sao Paulo FC), Germany (Hertha Berlin SC) and England (Chelsea FC). In 2018, Mineiro was inducted into the Sao Paulo FC Hall of Fame for scoring the winning goal against Liverpool in the 2005 FIFA Club World Cup Final.

**Tel: 5366 4900**

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