

BMG NEWS

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From the Senior Deputy Principal

As we enter the mid-year break, I would like to wish all students and our school community a safe and restful holiday period.

It is my hope that Term 3 commences without any disruptions and students can focus straight onto their study.

A reminder that students recommence on Tuesday 13 July.

ICAS Assessments 2021 – Years 2 to 10

We are delighted to inform parents that Bacchus Marsh Grammar will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS Assessments™ this year.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics and Science. Each assessment celebrates the students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development.

We encourage you to consider entering your child in ICAS this year. The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment that has been running for 40 years. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.

ICAS Assessments are now online, a move that reflects a sector-wide transition to online assessments. These are scheduled to take place in mid-August to early September.

An email notification via Edsmart will be forwarded to parents early next week with instructions on how to sign-up online.

Mr Kevin Richardson - Senior Deputy Principal

The Podium

Achieving Optimal Academic Performance - GRIT

Recently, and unfortunately, we have been in the situation where we have faced uncertainty. The recent “lockdown” has meant that we have had to change the way that we operate as a community and as a school and one of those areas affected was assessment and, in particular, examinations. Chatting with a great many students, I was encouraged by the way that students seemed to display one of the finest attributes that our current generation would seem to require, GRIT. However, what is grit and why do our students, as optimal performance learners, require this attribute to assist them in their everyday lives?

In his recent text, “The Attributes”, Rich Diviney outlines the twenty-five hidden drivers of optimal performance and right at the forefront of these is grit. Grit is often defined as a positive, non-cognitive trait that is based on a person’s perseverance combined with a passion for a long-term goal; however, Diviney, like New York bestselling author and Professor of Neuroscience, Angela Duckworth, see the grit attribute as having four main components.

- Courage – The ability to manage our fears in order to confront danger, difficulty or pain.
- Perseverance – Constancy in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.
- Adaptability - The ability to quickly and calmly adjust to changing circumstances and situations.
- Resilience – The ability to rapidly return to one’s baseline emotional and mental state after a stressful, traumatic or even triumphant event.

The four attributes that are placed under the umbrella of GRIT are more than useful on their own; however, when they are combined or play off each other, we can see the immeasurable benefit of this attribute amongst our students. Let us all continue to work on these areas to promote our academic successes and optimal performances no matter what the circumstances. And in the words of Rich Diviney,

“I would encourage our students through immersing themselves within our academic programs to explore and develop their courage, perseverance, adaptability and resilience – and take advantage of the grit that you already have.”

Mr Andrew Perks - Assistant Principal: Optimal Performance Learning

The Podium - Academic Performance – Music Department

Music Performance I

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved outstanding results:

Rory O’Shea

Camellia Yeh

Olivia Tilling

Shea Cain-Wherrett

Jake Parton

Ella Closter

Murphy O’Connor

Australian Musical Examinations Board (AMEB) Excellence

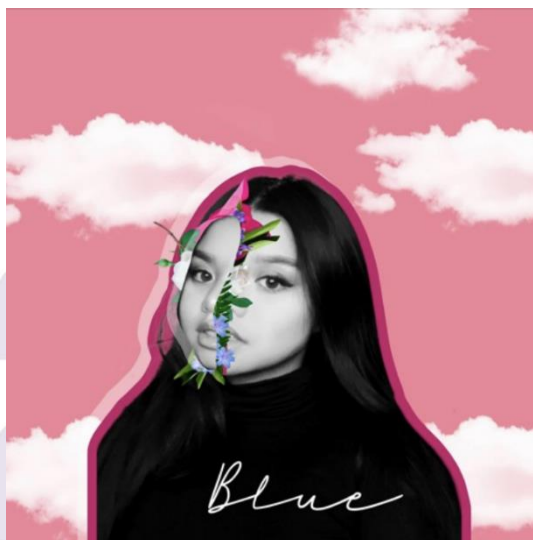
Stefania Robu 4C was recently awarded the outstanding grade of A+ High Distinction for her Grade 6 Piano Comprehensive examination. Her assessor highlighted excellence in her effortless playing style, fluent technique and great attention to detail. Stefania’s assessor also made note of her musically colourful and stylistically diverse programme. This is an exceptional result for any student, let alone a Year 4. Congratulations to both Stefania and her instrumental teacher Mr. Dean Thomas!

Past Student Reflections

Dorothy Quinal

Dorothy graduated from Bacchus Marsh Grammar in 2018 as our highest-scoring VCE/VET Music student on record. She achieved a raw study score of 47 which placed her in the top handful of students in the state.

Dorothy has been a thriving musician for almost 12 years. At an early age, she formed a trio with her siblings known as 'The Quinal's', with Dorothy featuring as both the lead vocalist and bassist. The group performs music from a host of genres including R&B, Soul, Pop, Jazz and Funk, enabling them to tailor their setlists to a wide demographic. Dorothy's group regularly provide entertainment at weddings, corporate events, restaurants and bars. They have recently worked with renowned Filipino artist *Asin* and have also toured with *Bamboo* – both very popular in the Philippines.



Dorothy seized all performance opportunities available to her during school life – assemblies, lunchtime concerts, musicals, annual showcases, weekly choirs and after-school concerts. She also capitalised on gigs in the local community organised by the Music Department – Baby Black Cafe, Bacchus Marsh Rodders Festival, Collarts workshops, Mi Sound Festival, Victoria Police Christmas luncheons and a 1st place at the Royal South Street Eisteddfod, to name but a few. Dorothy also donated her talents to a number of charity fundraisers including 'Relay for Life' and the 'Build a House' project to improve living conditions in the slums of the Philippines.

Dorothy recently completed a Bachelor of Music at the Australian College of the Arts. She currently works as a bass and vocal coach at Soundcheck Studios in Ballarat and is eager to complete further study, with a Master of Music Therapy and a career as a music therapist in her sights.

Dorothy has generously shared a demo from her next release which will be available on all major streaming services:

<https://m.soundcloud.com/dorothy-quinal/blue-demo>

Jayden Bullard

Jayden graduated from Bacchus Marsh Grammar as **Dux of School** in 2016.

Throughout his schooling, Jayden was involved in a variety of activities spanning sports, music, and leadership duties. He fondly recalls music as being the highlight of his time at BMG. Jayden felt that the VCE/VET Music program had established a great culture of support, excellent mentorship and that it facilitated friendships that have lasted beyond school years.

Throughout Jayden's Years 11 & 12 studies, guitar practice often felt like a break from the pressures of assessments and



constant revision. There was an abundance of opportunities which he was able to seize in order to refine his performance skills including live productions, after-school bands and events, music workshops, lunchtime concerts and external eisteddfods and competitions. Jayden enjoyed the support and scope provided by the Music Department upon which he capitalised to discover his own unique playing style. He recalls being thoroughly prepared for his VCE/VET Music Units 3&4 performance examination in which he achieved an elite study score of 43. Jayden was selected to feature in the prestigious VCE Top Acts concert the following year – a showcase of the 'best of the best' Units 3&4 students across all music subjects.

Jayden also achieved a perfect study score of 50 in Business Management and went on to pursue a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Melbourne. He graduated in 2019 with majors in Economics and Finance and obtained a business internship. Jayden is eager to complete further study with an eye on a career in financial planning.

Semester Two

As we head into Semester Two and towards subject selections, I encourage all students to reflect on the following - Dorothy is a wonderful example of a student who had a reasonably clear career path and who made the most of her opportunities at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Similarly, Jayden is a fine example of a VCE student who achieved supreme academic success by simply choosing a balanced program of subjects that he enjoyed, was interested in and was good at.

For both, the following character traits were clear: gratitude, a work ethic and a willingness to volunteer their time and talents to serve the School.

Mr Steven Bell - Director of Music

Student Workshops / Parent Webinars

Senior School - Consent

As part of our pastoral care priorities and our on-going commitment to respectful relationships education, in Term 3, all Years 9 to 12 students will participate in a workshop focusing on consent. These workshops will be presented by Elephant Ed, a leading sexuality education provider to hundreds of schools around Australia. Elephant Ed's workshops are evidence-based, age-appropriate and mapped to State and National curriculum guidelines. Elephant Ed is endorsed by the eSafety Commissioner as a trusted eSafety provider.

We are also able to offer an informative webinar on consent presented by Elephant Ed for parents prior to these workshops being facilitated with the students. We welcome you to join this webinar to support the conversations you may have at home with your child.

The details for this parent webinar are as follows:

When: July 19, 2021 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Topic: Consent

In advance of Elephant Ed's workshops with our students, this webinar will include the following key discussion points:

- Statistics and prevalence of sexual assault
- Legalities surrounding consent
- Avenues to seek help
- Strategies to start the conversation at home

Please note: You are required to register in advance for this webinar. Please use the link below to register:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_oVDQP54IRNu9bsNf1Xcvcg

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Student Wellbeing Team

Maddingley and Woodlea Middle School – Puberty & Embracing Change

As part of the health and well-being curriculum at Bacchus Marsh Grammar, Elephant Education will be conducting a number of sex education and health workshops for our middle school students during Term 3.

These sessions are designed to empower young people to make informed, positive and safe decisions about sexuality, relationships and growing up. The Elephant Ed student workshops will be conducted in class, across both the Maddingley and Woodlea campuses, focussing on age-appropriate themes.

In the lead up to these student sessions, Elephant Ed invites parents to attend an online parent webinar. Please see below for an invitation to a webinar presented by Elephant Ed on Puberty and Embracing Change.

When: July 22, 2021 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Topic: Puberty & Embracing Change

Please note: You are required to register in advance for this webinar. Please use the link below to register:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OyOWSdLoTBymWBIXVOOGGA

Mr Bryce Durham - Head of Faculty: Physical Education and Health
& Mr Dean Peplinkhouse – Head of Middle School

Individual Sporting Success – Athlete Spotlight

BMX rider, Jai Copland is in his first year of the Elite Sport program here at Bacchus Marsh Grammar and has been enjoying the opportunity to productively train during school hours. The program utilises information across all disciplines of sports strength and conditioning and science to aid athletes in developing and/or consolidating conditioning and recovery programs. Jai is also one of our ten scholarship holders within the WestVic Academy of Sport. Jai recently competed in the Victorian and National BMX series achieving some fantastic results.

National Series in Sydney

- Round 1 - 7th in 15 boys & 9th in Junior superclass
- Round 2 - 2nd in 15 boys & 11th Junior superclass

Victorian State Series in Shepparton

- Round 2 - 4th in 15 boys & 4th Junior superclass
- Round 3 - 4th in 15 boys & 3rd in Junior superclass

We wish Jai all the best with his upcoming competitions and hope he continues achieving the goals he has set for his future events.

Mr Bryce Durham - Head of Faculty: Physical Education and Health

Junior and Middle School Sport News

Divisional Cross Country Championships



Well done to the students who represented BMG at the Divisional Cross Country Championships. We had 24 students who competed in their respective races. Congratulations to the students below who finished in the top 12 and will now progress to the Regional Championships on Friday 16 July at Brimbank Park, Keilor East.

Mr Brendan McLoughlin - Head of House: Pentland (MS) / BMPSSA: Sports Coordinator

9/10 Girls	11 Girls	11 Boys
3 rd – Myah Estlick	3 rd – Austin Shea	2 nd – Harry Metcher
6 th – Iyla Robinson	4 th – Jasmine Coady	6 th – Patrick Lovett
9 th – Annie Thomas	5 th – Josephine Gribbin	7 th – Jack Gent
11 th – Alexandra Cassar	6 th – Anika Tran	
	8 th – Tanvi Mushini	
12/13 Girls		12/13 Boys
1 st – Coco Burt		6 th – Xavier Johnston
5 th – Aisha Lidgett-Egan		
7 th – Imogen Lidgett-Egan		

Maddingley - Prep

Term 2 brought one of Prep's favourite Integrated Studies topics – Animals! We started the term with our amazing Australian animal incursion and we used this as a springboard for investigating lots of different animals and their habitats. We have combined some fine motor craft activities with writing information reports about each of the animals. The Prep teachers are so proud of how much the Preps' writing has improved.

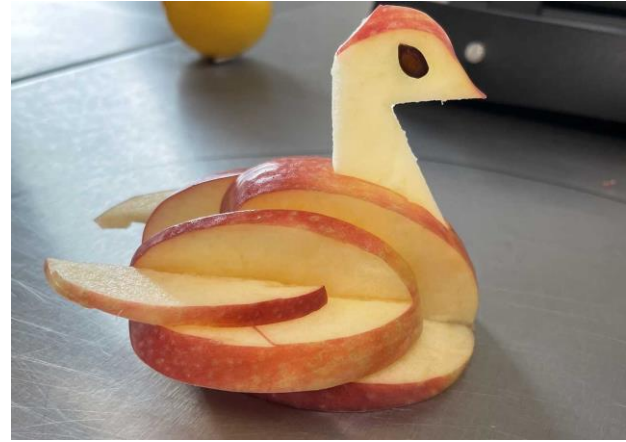
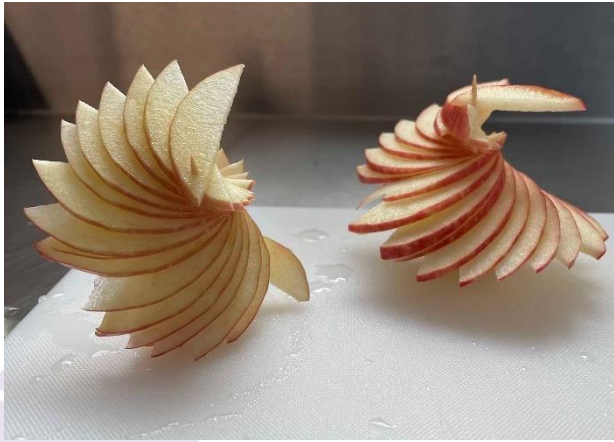
Maddingley Prep Team



Food Technology News

Throughout this semester, Year 7 Food Technology students have been focusing on the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating and making good food choices. This week students combined their developing knife skills and food creativity to make edible decorations of either Apple Fans or Apple Swans.

Ms Kristy Homburg



Product Design and Technology

Year 11 Product Design and Technology students had the opportunity to re-design an existing product. Students were required to work through the Design Process to design a sustainable bag for a specific end user. These products created by the students showed creativity and innovation and were professionally finished.

Mrs Nicole Heywood – Head of Art – Prep to Year 8



Administration News

Annual Report

The 2020/2021 Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 26 May. The 2020 Annual Report was presented to the Board Members and accepted. A copy of the 2020 Annual Report is available for you to view on the [School's website](#).

Administration Office Hours during Term Break

Maddingley Campus

- Monday 21 June to Friday 25 June: 8:30am to 4:30pm
- Monday 28 June to Friday 2 July: **OFFICE CLOSED**
- Monday 5 July to Friday 9 July: 9:30am to 4:30pm

Woodlea Campus

Due to Maintenance works the Woodlea Campus Administration Office will be closed from Monday 21 June to Friday 9 July. Please direct any enquiries to the Maddingley Administration Office: 5366 4800.

Rescheduled School Photo Dates / Family Group Portraits – Term 3

Due to the recent COVID-19 lockdown period we were unable to complete the School Photos for Maddingley Campus and Woodlea Campus had to be rescheduled entirely.

There have also been requests for the school to schedule Family Group Portraits. These will coincide with the rescheduled School Photo Days. Communication regarding how to express your interest for Family Group Portraits will be emailed to families next week.

School Photo Days rescheduled dates Term 3 2021

- **Monday 19 July** - Maddingley Campus rescheduled date for 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D and 6E and Family Group Portraits.
- **26 to 28 July** – Woodlea Prep to Year 8 including Family Group Portraits.

Bus Information

Maddingley Campus

From Tuesday, 13 July 2021, the LIME bus route will be taken over by a new bus provider, Firefly. There are NO changes to the timetable.

Woodlea Campus

From Tuesday, 13 July 2021, the below bus routes will be taken over by a new bus provider, Firefly. There are NO changes to the timetables.

- Brumby, Dingo, Emu, Kangaroo, Koala, Kookaburra and Wombat.

Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator

BMG Community Contacts

Uniform Shop News

A message from Trish at the Uniform Shop:

I will be leaving my position as "Uniform Shop Lady" at the end of Term and you will be seeing some new faces next Term.

I just wanted to take the time to say Goodbye and Thanks You to all the Staff, Parents and Students I have had the pleasure of dealing with over the last 13 years.

It has been wonderful to have helped and served you over the last 13 years and I will miss the chats I have had with many of you and watching all your children grow up.

Warmest regards to you all.

Trish.

Uniform Shop continued.....

An update to Noone: Uniform Purchasing, Ordering and Payments

We will no longer be taking phone orders or payments. You may shop and order and pay in person at the Werribee or On Campus stores.

We also offer online shopping at www.noone.com.au

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

Maddingley:

bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au

0438 154 842

Located: South Maddingley Road, Maddingley, Victoria 3340

Woodlea:

woodlea.oshc@ymca.org.au

0490 490 362

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

Events Calendar

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

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

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Woodlea Campus

111 Frontier Avenue
Aintree VIC 3336

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Woodlea Early Learning Centre

5-7 Quarry Road
Aintree VIC 3336

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General School Email: school@bmg.vic.edu.au

School Website: www.bmg.vic.edu.au



COMMUNITY CLINICS THURS 1 JULY

**BACCHUS MARSH
LEISURE CENTRE**

SESSION 1

9:30AM-12PM

7-11 YEARS | \$40

SESSION 2

12.30PM-3PM

12-15 YEARS | \$40

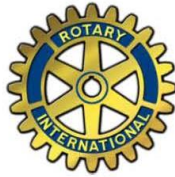
REGISTER NOW

For further details contact maddie.okely@netballvic.com.au or call 0488 634 345



Community News

Notice from : Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh



The Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh

Art Appreciation Writing Competition

To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Rotary Art Show we are conducting a writing competition for students in years five to eight attending schools in the Bacchus Marsh area.

We are inviting students to **select a painting** by an artist completed prior to 2000 and write a personal "emotional response" in less than 250 words.

First Prize: \$150 Second Prize: \$100 Third/fourth/fifth Prizes: \$50

All submitted entries will be on display at the Rotary Art Show in the Bacchus Marsh Public Hall between Thursday 2nd September and Sunday 5th September.

Students may request adult assistance with punctuation, spelling, etc but **not** with the actual wording of the text.

Guidance for a response may also be found by referring to the internet searching "emotional response to art".

Terms and Conditions:

1. The student must be currently attending a school within the shire of Moorabool.
2. One entry per student.
3. The text must be original and unassisted.
4. The entry must be on A4 sized stationery.
5. Font must be no less than size 12 and either Times New Roman, Arial or Calibri with Line spacing set at 1.15 (default).
6. Text may be **bold**, *italic*, underlined or **coloured** for emphasis.
7. Page margins must be at 1 cm or greater.
8. Page should be portrait orientation.
9. The format of the entry should closely resemble the example shown.
10. Printed entries may be submitted on Wednesday 1st September between 3 pm and 6 pm at the Bacchus Marsh Public Hall or lodged electronically in PDF or Word format on or before the date above to the following email: jclucas@iprimus.com.au
11. A parental telephone number should be written on the rear of the entry or included in the emailed entry.
12. Successful student will be notified on Thursday 2nd September.
13. All entries will be returned to schools for distribution to students.

Sunflowers Van Gogh



My emotional response to this painting in less than 250 words.

My Name. My Grade
My School

Any enquiries: John Lucas: 0469 036 448

Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh

This year we will celebrate the 50th Bacchus Marsh Art Show

(taken over by the Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh in 1980)

After the Covid19 affected year of 2020, we are now back on track to celebrate our 50th Bacchus Marsh Art Show.

The Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh is constantly looking for ways to encourage young talent, so for this significant occasion we are offering local school students the opportunity to enter a competition to **design our Art Show Catalogue cover**. The winner will receive a prize of \$150 and, as we publish more than a thousand catalogues for the show, will be in the enviable position of exhibiting their design and art talent to a large audience.

The competition will be judged by prestigious Melbourne-based artist and advertising art director, Arthur "Ted" Powell.

Entry Requirements:

Entrants must be current secondary school students in Bacchus Marsh or were students in 2020 who had entered or who had intended to enter.

All enquiries and entries to be submitted to Ian Cabrie at ianc23529@gmail.com

Entries must be received **by 5pm on Friday 13th August 2021**

Specifications:

Design features

The emphasis of the design and any artwork should be simplicity and clarity and must include the following text and logo:

- 50th Anniversary Art Exhibition & Sale
- Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh
- Small Rotary Club logo (**Not** to be the major feature as in past catalogues)
- Bacchus Marsh Public Hall, 2nd – 5th September

Dimensions

The artwork is to fit within a page size W148mm x H210mm
Inclusion of a design border is optional.

Printing

The design will be printed and published in Greyscale (not colour) at 300dpi.

Presentation Format

The design must be presented as a PDF document.

Community News

Notice from : Moorabool Shire Council




MOORABOOL
SHIRE COUNCIL

TEENAGE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

June—July 2021

To book go to
<https://www.trybooking.com/BSFTS>
Dance workshop
<https://www.trybooking.com/BSAGM>

For more information please contact Youth Services
(03) 5366 7100
youthservices@moorabool.vic.gov.au

Sports Day

Football, Cricket, Boxing,
Downball, Soccer & more!

Studio 22

Tuesday 29 June

11am - 5pm

Drop in

Board & Video Games, Air
Hockey, Pool, Art & Craft

Studio 22

Wednesday 30 June

11am - 5pm

Dance Workshop

Hip Hop & TikTok
Dance Workshop

Studio 22

Thursday 1 July

1:30pm - 4:30pm

Art & Craft

NAIDOC Week Art & Craft
Activities

Studio 22

Tuesday 6 July

11am - 5pm

Movie Day

Studio 22

Wednesday 7 July

11am - 5pm

Studio 22

Board & Video Games, Air
Hockey, Pool, Art & Craft

Studio 22

Thursday 8 July

11am - 5pm