BMG NEWS



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From the Principal

School Community Safety Order

The Victorian Government has introduced measures to curb aggression and violence directed towards school staff, students, and other School Community Members.

The legislation comes into effect on or about 28 June 2022 and provides for the making of certain orders to protect members of the School Community from harmful, threatening, or abusive behaviour and provide for civil penalties for the enforcement of those orders.

Under the laws, the Principal and their delegate will have the power to:

- Direct a person to leave and remain off the School grounds, or other places related to the School (an **immediate** School Community Safety Order); or
- Prohibit a person from entering or remaining on School grounds or other places related to the School, or from engaging in certain types of inappropriate conduct (an **ongoing School Community Safety Order**).

Accordingly, a School Community Safety Order may be issued verbally or in writing by an authorised officer of the School.

Importantly, the laws will extend beyond the actual School premises to any place where a School activity is taking place (e.g. on camp, at a swimming carnival) and any area within 25 metres of that place. Persons who engage in inappropriate conduct on social media platforms in respect of the School or a School Community Member could also be banned from School grounds under the orders.

Ongoing School Community Safety Orders can be in effect for a maximum of 12 months.

Those who are banned from the School grounds will still be able to communicate with the School and can seek a review under the School's Complaints Handling Policy (if applicable) or an external review at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

Anyone who contravenes an immediate or an ongoing School Community Safety Order can face enforcement action at the Magistrates Court, including fines and other court orders

Refer to the *Education and Training Reform Amendment (Protection of School Communities) Act 2021 (Vic)* for further details.

Policy Updates

The following School Policies have been updated and are available to view on the School's website:

- School Community Code of Conduct
- Enrolment Policy
- Conditions of Enrolment

Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal

Reminder:

End of Term 2 is Friday 17 June with normal school finish time – 3.20pm.

Administration Offices at Maddingley and Woodlea will be closed between 27 June and 1 July 2022.

From the Deputy Principal

New Child Safe Standards

From 1 July 2022, the new Child Safe Standards will apply at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. The new standards will be replacing the current child safe Standards that have been in effect since 2016.

Following the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, the Victorian Government reviewed the Standards and recommended a number of changes to better align the Standards to the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations, and to strengthen administration of the Standards.

The School has been working towards updating its policies, systems and processes to embed a culture of 'no tolerance' to child abuse and to ensure it is compliant with each of the new Standards when they apply from 1 July 2022.

The following child safe policies have been updated and are available on the <u>School's website</u>:

- Child Safe policy
- Child Safe Code of Conduct
- Student Child Safe Code of Conduct
- Child Safe Standards Toolkit
- Child Safe Program Quick Reference Guide
- Mandatory Reporting Policy

If you have any questions regarding the new Standards or general child safe information, please contact the School's Senior Child Safety Officer Mrs Debra Ogston on 5366.4800.

Mrs Debra Ogston – Deputy Principal & Senior Child Safety Officer

Wynspeak



Wynspeak is a youth public speaking competition for secondary school students in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding effort representing Bacchus Marsh Grammar in this year's competition:

Sihan Kalupahana 7I	
Taksh Kapur 7G	
Tanisha Quilliam 8E	
Jake Parton 10D	
lan Hadsan-Llusala 11C	
Jackson Brown 11D	

All students auditioned and worked hard to

prepare leading up to the competition. The confidence, passion and poise displayed in each of their speeches on the night was exceptional and a testament to their determination and work-ethic.

Jake Parton won the impromptu section of the Senior Competition, delivering a charismatic speech after only four minutes to prepare!

Ian Hadsan-Llusala (pictured right) won the Senior Competition for his prepared speech in his heat, securing him a place in the final of Wynspeak. His talent, natural storytelling ability and humour impressed the judges and he will now progress further to the Rostrum Voice of the Youth state finals.

Congratulations to all students involved in Wynspeak this year and we wish Ian all the best in the state finals.

Ms Alyce Coyne and Ms Lauren Baker Debating and Public Speaking Coordinators



Maddingley Middle School News

Middle School Colours

As we near the end of the term it has been gratifying to see so many students working well to prepare and revise for their end of term assessments and examinations. The aura of dedication and willingness to achieve has been ever present in all classrooms over the last few weeks. The collaboration between students to create study materials and quiz each other has been pleasing to witness.

Single Colours

To celebrate student success the following students have been awarded **Middle School Colours** throughout last week. They should be congratulated on their service and commitment to representing the school. All students will receive a Middle School Colours badge in recognition of this achievement.

Joel Sfetcopoulos	Haneet Mahal	Aadhya Kiran
Danyl Baira	Shorya Jhunjhunwala	Liam Collins
Aashirya Vandrangi	Lumiere Peterson-Brown	Lucy O'Donnell
Anika Tran	Beau McKerrow	Rafan Parvez
Jenna Baker	Edward Richards	Ella Spalding
Allegra Deagan	Veekshana Jakkula	Ananya Sharma
Austin Shea	Tanish Taneja	Isaac Rambocus
Josephine Gribbin	Purva Amin	Milly Swan
Panav Doshi	Angad Dhaliwal	
Manasri Sai Boyapati	Nahreen Shahed	

Double Colours

The following students have been awarded **Double Middle School Colours** throughout last week. They should be congratulated on their continued service and commitment representing the school. All students will receive a double Middle School Colours braid which is to be sewn on their blazer pocket in recognition of this fantastic achievement.

Rodney Tang	Kristian Attard
Abbey Smith	Anusha Mohan
Daniel Schukin	Coco Burt
Makenzie Copland	

Mr Dean Pepplinkhouse – Head of Middle School: Maddingley

Junior School News

Holiday Reading

In the Junior School, we have a big focus on Learning to Read and Reading to Learn. Every child in the Junior School at both Woodlea and Maddingley will get the chance to take home a pack of holiday books. We encourage you to take up this offer and read with your child every day. Children will be encouraged to read up to five books over the holiday period. This will mean they may re-read the same book until they can read it fluently – or in a 'talking voice', adding expression and attending to punctuation. It is important that you also engage in reading, modelling reading enjoyment, expression and fluency. Please look out for the Ed Smart note this week which explains the Holiday Reading Program.



A Knowledge Rich Curriculum

Across the Junior School campuses, we continue to strive to ensure a knowledge rich curriculum in which, rather than teaching isolated skills, we teach our children engaging knowledge about their world both past and present. Current research has found that building knowledge is imperative for reading success. However, building knowledge doesn't just help you understand a reading passage. It also helps you absorb and retain information if you have an existing framework to fit it into. Our goal in the Junior School is to provide multiple, authentic exposures to knowledge to maximise our students' learning potential.

We encourage parents to ask their students what they are learning about. Have a conversation and allow them to explain to you their knowledge and their interest in this knowledge. The Maddingley Junior School will be able to excite you with information about the Ancient Egyptians and Mesopotamians (Year 1), The Great Wall of China (Year 2), The Vikings (Year 3) or Medieval times and the Feudal System (Year 4). The Woodlea Junior School is exploring the world (Prep), the Human Body (Year 1), Insects (Year 2), World Rivers (Year 3) and Exploration (Year 4). Make sure you check out the Family Engagement pages on School Box for more information!

We are so proud of the levels of engagement our students are demonstrating and are excited about the associated learning progress they will make.

Mrs Lisa Foster – Maddingley: Head of Junior School & Mrs Sally Savic – Woodlea: Head of Junior School

Student Achievement

Congratulations to **Daksha Dipu** of 1F who participated in the world biggest 3*3 Rubix cube online event which led to "Guinness World record for 250+ speed cubers" solving at the same time under 2 minutes.

Mrs Lisa Foster – Maddingley: Head of Junior School



Maddingley Junior School - Ancient Costume Dress up Day

Prep to Year 4 students are invited to <u>dress up</u> in an Ancient Costume representing the ancient world/s they have been studying and exploring within their year level. This special dress up day is to show case and celebrate student's enthusiasm and learning in History and Geography this semester.

The Ancient Dress up day will be held on **Thursday 16 June 2022.**

We encourage all students within the Junior School to participate in this fun celebration by dressing up in the following themes:

Prep: Animals from different continents of the world.
Year 1: Ancient Mesopotamia or Ancient Egypt
Year 2: Ancient China
Year 3: Vikings
Year 4: Medieval Europe or Rome

Please refer to full information outlined in the EdSmart notification.

Junior School

ANCIENT DRESS UP DAY



WEEK 8

THURSDAY 16TH JUNE 2022

Spotlight on Junior School Science

Year 3 Science Maddingley

This term, the students have been studying a Geological unit in Earth and Space Sciences, with a focus on 'Weather and Climate'. The students have examined the morphology of the word 'geology' to define it as the 'study of' 'the Earth'. As part of this unit, the Year 3 students have learnt about the composition of the atmosphere of Earth and how the spinning of Earth on its axis and the heat from the Sun produces what we know as 'weather'. They have discovered that patterns in weather in a particular area create its 'climate', and that meteorologists are scientists who predict weather patterns based on climate of a geographical location and varying atmospheric changes. The Year 3 students completed a range of experiments to investigate the changes in air pressure that create wind, the processes of the Water Cycle and extreme weather conditions. They particularly enjoyed creating wind vanes, recording data about the wind direction and speed at BMG, and predicting future weather patterns based on this data. We are all looking forward to learning about the changing states of matter in our 'Melting Moments' Chemistry unit in Term Three.

Year 4 Science Maddingley

In Term Two, the Year 4 students have studied how the Earth changes its shape and surface over time through natural hazards in our Earth and unit focus Space of 'Processes that Shape the Earth'. They have focussed on the various natural hazards that change the Earth's surface, including earthquakes, tsunamis,



volcanic eruptions, erosion and landslides by creating and testing seismographs, miniature tsunamis in a bottle, reading tasks and research activities. The Year 4s have examined data to understand how geologists may predict such events and discussed how communities all over the world can prepare and limit the



devastation caused by these natural hazards. The students thoroughly enjoyed making scale replicas of Earth's layers from plasticine, piecing together how Earth's continents could have originally been formed as Pangea, and studying samples of the three rock types in the Earth's crust. We are all excited to learn about the features of materials and how to make informed choices when purchasing more sustainable products in our Term Three Chemistry unit.

Maddingley Science Team

Spotlight on Junior School Art

Maddingley Junior School Art

Throughout Term 2, we have been learning all about sculpture in our Prep to Year 4 Art rooms.

Students have had the opportunity to explore and create wire trees, pipe cleaner figures, Monet's garden and soft sculptures using a variety of textiles materials.

All students throughout our Junior School have been developing their skills in ceramics and have made echidnas, fish, turtles, mice and some amazing castles.

The Junior School Art Club spent some time working collaboratively with our Middle School leaders to create an artwork for a community display celebrating 150 years of Education in Victoria.

It has been wonderful to see our school Art Gallery filled with so many artworks again and our classes have loved visiting each week to admire and discuss the creative works of their fellow students.



Woodlea Junior School Art

Visual Arts in Term 2 has been exciting for all students involved.



Prep lessons have included creating tree sculptures from pipe cleaners and creating a range of different collages and paintings. Over the next few weeks, the students will be using their painting and drawing skills to create a snowman. The students in Year 1 have been creating a fish sculpture out of stockings and foam. They have used their painting skills to paint their fish with patterns and then overlapped foam pieces for the features of their fish. The Year 2 students have been having fun creating a human figure sculpture from pipe cleaners and coloured magic clay. The students in Year 3 have been enjoying making abstract patterned landscapes. They have also been using their sculpture skills and have been learning how to make a coil pot using air-drying clay. Year 4 lessons included creating a tree sculpture using wire and using their drawing skills to create a technical drawing of a dragon.

During this term, students have continued with co-curricular art lunchtime classes. All students are welcome to these classes that are offered to Prep to Year 4 students

throughout each week on different days. The fun activities that students have been involved in over this term are paper plate craft, air drying clay sculptures and drawing skills. The Year 3 and 4 students have been working on artwork to go

up in our school. The students have also been painting a tree sculpture and using tags to write words, based on our school values, to hang off the trees. They will soon start using their painting skills to paint flowers to hang up around our school. The students in Year 2 have used scratch paper in their global studies classes to create patterns on cut- outs of insects and these are currently being worked on to be put on a canvas and showcased in our school. This related to their Insect global studies theme. Lou Callow, who does lots of the community artwork for our school, has been at Woodlea a few days over this term and has helped us hang up some work from students to add to our school environment. We look forward to creating many more artworks in Term 3 during co-curricular time and during class Art time.



Please visit <u>Schoolbox</u> to view more fantastic work.

Maddingley & Woodlea Art Teams

Food Studies Update



Students in Unit 1 Food Studies have recently completed a dive into deep the development of, and influences on our contemporary Australian cuisine. A key component of this study has investigating been the influences of migration on Australian cuisine and how migrant groups have assisted in shaping the foods we cook, purchase, and consume on a daily basis. Students were tasked with identifying a

popular recipe which has its origins from a nationality outside of Australia, and to justify the role it has played in influencing Australian cuisine before preparing the recipe in class. Our students performed exceptionally well, upholding a high standard when producing their dishes. We hope you enjoy the images of their finished plates!

Mr Jaike Ludewig - Head of Faculty: Technology

Physical Education and Health News

ICCES Winter Tour

The final preparations are underway for our ICCES Winter Tour to Shepparton next Thursday 16 & Friday 17 June. Detailed information has been sent home to students who were successful at securing a place in the different teams. The sports that athletes will represent Team BMG in are:

- Senior Hockey;
- Junior, Intermediate and Senior Girls Netball;
- Junior and Senior Boys and Girls Basketball; and
- Junior, Intermediate and Senior Boys Soccer and Girls Soccer.

A reminder that students should arrive at **Maddingley Campus by 5:45am** on Thursday morning in order to have buses **depart at 6:00am**. Buses will return to **Maddingley Campus** on Friday between **4.00pm and 4.30pm**.

A full equipment list will be issued by team coaches; however, <u>students should note that they are required to provide</u> their own pillows, sleeping bags and towels.

Push-Up Challenge

In June, our BMG Community is taking part in The Push-Up Challenge. We are going to help shine the spotlight on the number of lives lost to mental health and help raise awareness of issues associated with mental health. The Push-Up Challenge has participants completing 3,139 push-ups over 24 days to raise awareness and funds. A group of students, staff and the wider community have committed to this challenge and have been taking part in regular push-up sessions to reach the daily goal! If you would like to get involved, check out the community link below; https://www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/BacchusMarshGrammar2031

Individual Athlete Success

Congratulations to **Taylor Miller** of 6E who has been selected for Team Victoria in the Girls 12&U swimming team. Taylor will compete in the upcoming <u>School Sport Australia</u> (SSA) 10-19 Years Swimming Championships. We wish Taylor all the best for this competition.

Justin Robins of Year 8 recently represented Australia at the Oceania Karate Championships held in New Caledonia. He had been selected for the Cadet (14-15 year old) Kumite (sparring), and after doing very well in his matches came home with 1 Gold and 2 Bronze medals. Congratulations Justin!

Mr Bryce Durham - Head of Faculty: PE and Health



School Photo Update

School Photo 'catch-up' days will be held at both campuses in early Term 3 on the following dates and times at each School Campus:

Maddingley Campus - Monday 18 July 8.45am – 12.30pm Woodlea Campus – Tuesday 19 July 8.45am – 12.30pm

These catch-up days will include Maddingley Campus Leadership groups not yet completed, individual student portraits and BMG sibling portraits for students who were absent during Term 2 School photo days. More information regarding these dates will be published in the BMG eNews and posted on Schoolbox.

In relation to ordering photos, the order codes were sent via Edsmart on Monday 2 May 2022 (parents/guardians should check junk mail). Parents will be directly notified by AR Photographers when photos are ready to view and order.

Mrs Cathy Perconte – Events and Community Development Coordinator

Equestrian News



We are very excited to give students of Bacchus Marsh Grammar the opportunity to participate in the Victorian Interschool Equestrian Series throughout the year. Over the last few years, our team has grown significantly and our riders have been very successful in our Northern Zone and throughout the Victorian Equestrian Interschool School series.

Equestrian is a sport with a lot to offer, with many opportunities for character building experiences, the opportunity to represent our school with pride and, of course, lot of fun with like-minded friends. Students of all ages will have the opportunity to compete against competitors from other schools in all disciplines throughout the year, subject to the Interschool Equestrian calendar.

As we begin to move back into our pre-covid normal, it is exciting to see events begin to be offered again. We are therefore inviting other students who would like to ride for the school the opportunity to join our team!

To join the Bacchus Marsh Grammar Equestrian Team, students must fulfil the following criteria:

- have their own horse or pony.
- be able to ride independently in their chosen discipline.
- parents must transport their child and horse to events, and supervise them throughout the duration of the event.
- contribute throughout the year to helping the team run an event as our main fundraiser.
- agree to abide by the Equestrian Team Code of Conduct.

If you are interested in finding out more or would like to join us, please contact <u>equestrian@bmg.vic.edu.au</u> and keep up-to-date with the team on our Schoolbox page.

Mrs Georgia Low – Equestrian Team Coordinator

Bus Updates

Student ID Cards

A reminder ALL students MUST carry their Student ID cards with them to and from school. Students who travel via private bus must use their Student ID card to tap on/off the bus each morning and afternoon. Students who travel without their Student ID card will be sent to their Year Level Co-Coordinator. Students who do not have one are required to go to ICT to have a new card printed.

Mask Wearing on Buses

With changes announced by the Victorian Government, from Friday 22 April 2022 at 11.59pm, masks are required to be worn on a commercial passenger vehicle (buses) by passengers aged 8 and above, unless the passenger has a medical exception.

Seat Belt Wearing on Buses

Seat belts are fitted to buses and it is the law in Victoria to wear seat belts where fitted. If any student is found to not be wearing their seat belt they will be dealt with according to the behavioural management steps in the Student Bus Travel Code of Conduct.

Eating on the Bus

Eating on the bus is not permitted. If bus drivers allow students to eat on the bus, it is a privilege. If rubbish is left on the bus, this privilege can be revoked.

Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator

Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop

Phone Orders – 5367 4072

Uniform information and shop business hours are listed on the school website.

Out of School Hours Care – Holiday Program at The Y Ballarat

Vacation Care - Winter Program

The Woodlea Vacation Care Program is open for bookings - Prep to Year 6. The flyer is accessible on <u>Schoolbox</u> and the <u>School website</u>.

Bookings can be made via your xplor Home app. Vacation care operates at Woodlea Campus, and is available to all Maddingley OSHC enrolments. Hours of operation - Monday to Friday from 7.00am to 6.30pm. Daily fee - \$100.00 before your CCS entitlements Contact number - 0490 490 362 Address - 111 Frontier Avenue, Aintree. Drop off / collection - Via Gate 3, in Timbertop Pde (side street)

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 – <u>woodlea_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au</u>

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Community News



NAB AFL AUSKICK BURST HAS ARRIVED!

The Auskick Burst program gives kids a taste of Auskick for a fraction of the price.

For just \$55 Auskickers Burst into fun games learning the skills of AFL. They also receive their very own footy!

Sign up for Auskick Burst today!

Visit play.afl/auskick

