FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to thank parents, students and staff who have provided feedback on strategic initiatives. These will be collated and form one of the sources of information for School Council discussion.

In looking at the material I was able to have a very good discussion with our Year 12 Leaders on their view of priorities for the school. We should all be very proud of the level of maturity and support of the school that this group exhibits.

One of the most significant exercises that arises when strategic issues are being considered is the vital question of how is it going to be paid for? Currently Government Grants sit at levels that are about as good as they will ever be. It is reasonable to assume that over the medium term there will be real declines in the value of Government allocations. Equally the economy and in particular the combination of low wages growth and unemployment and underemployment mean that the capacity to increase fees is not as great as it was. This means that the School’s capacity to implement large capital projects requires significant consideration and thought. Capital projects can only be really achieved through either increase in borrowings in a controlled way at a time when interest rates are low or through further growth in enrolment at the school, something that is again viable given the demand for places at the School. Please bear in mind the difficult decisions that Council Members and Senior Management have to make in these areas and the extent to which they give of their time for the governance and management of the school.

I wish everyone a happy, safe and relaxing term break.

Andrew A. Neal
Principal

ART COMPETITION – DESIGN THE FRONT COVER OF THE 2016 SCHOOL DIARY!

Your Art Work could be on next year’s diary cover.

Junior School students can submit an entry for the Junior School Diary and Senior School students can submit an entry for the Senior School Diary.

Entries should be in Portrait orientation and be able to be adapted for the front cover of the diary – the dimensions are 17.5 cm width x 25 cm length

Any appropriate medium may be used eg. Photography, pencil, oil, ....

Entries close on Thursday 13th August and entries should be submitted to the Principal’s Office with the student’s name and class clearly visible.

A panel comprising of Ms Rawlinson, Mrs Todd, Mr Richardson, Mrs O’Day and Mr Neal will select the winner.

Good Luck!

School Holiday Office Hours

Monday 22nd June to Friday 26th June
8:30am to 4:30pm.

Monday 29th June to Friday 10th July
9:30am to 3:30pm

Important Dates

18-19 Jun 15  ICCES Winter Round
18 Jun 15   Yr 4 Musical in a Day
18 Jun 15   Yr 5 Field Trip
18 Jun 15   Yr 9 Insights into Medical Research
19 Jun 15   BMPSSA Winter Sport Day
19 Jun 15   End of Term 2 – normal dismissal time
22-26 Jun   Work Experience & Staff week
29 Jun – 3 Jul  VET TAFE Holiday Program
13 Jul 15   Staff Commence
14 Jul 15   Term 2 Commences all Students
16 Jul 15   Prep Western Water Incursion
20-31 Jul   Scholastic Book Fair
20 Jul 15   DAV Debating
21-23 Jul   School Photo Days
24 Jul 15   BMG in Concert
24 Jul 15   VCAL Numeracy Program
24 Jul 15   Junior School Assembly – 9.00AM
26 Jul 15   Year 12 Geography Lecture
27-29 Jul   Year 8A & 8B Narmbool Environmental Camp
28 Jul 15   ICAS English Competition
28 Jul 15   VTAC Parent Information Session
28 Jul 15   JS Parent Teacher Interviews
28 Jul 15   Year 12 Environmental Science Excursion
29 Jul 15   Year 11 2016 information Evening
29 Jul 15   JS Parent Teacher Interviews
29-31 Jul   Year 8C & 8D Narmbool Environmental Camp
30 Jul 15   OES Expedition - Mt Buller
30 Jul 15   100 Days of Prep
30 Jul 15   Jnr Basketball Final

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SCHOOL UNIFORM – JUNIOR & SENIOR SCHOOL

Full (winter) School Uniform is to be worn in Terms Two and Three.

Please check full school (winter) uniforms to ensure they comply with school regulations. Kilt lengths are required to be at the knee. Students are to also ensure hairstyles and jewellery are within the uniform policy guidelines. These guidelines are included in all student diaries for reference.

On days that are forecast to be unseasonably warm (greater than 25°C) students may wear their Summer Uniform.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
– HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL

END OF TERM TWO
Friday June 19th is the last day of Term Two.

Students are to clear their locker of rubbish etc…. Parents should also check school bags at the beginning of the term break to remove food items and uniform in readiness for the start of Term Three. The school day will finish at 3:15pm for the Senior School.

COMMENCEMENT OF TERM THREE
Commencement day for students is Tuesday the 14th July. Week 1 of the Senior School Timetable will operate from the commencement of Term Three (Term Two finished off on Week One)

SEMESTER ONE REPORTS
Currently Senior School student’s descriptive reports are being collated and will be posted to parents during the first week of the Term Break. Please ensure that reports are read, especially the descriptive comments and implement any suggested strategies for improvement in the Second Semester. Please make contact with teachers and/or Year Level Coordinators if you have any concerns that need to be addressed as a result of your child’s report.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
Principal’s Award/s are awarded to students who have been involved in activities that are particularly outstanding, if you believe that your child has been involved in an activity that is noteworthy, please inform your child’s Tutor Group Teacher, Year Level Coordinator and/or myself, for recommendation for a Principal’s Award.

The following students were presented with a Principal’s Award for their involvement in the public speaking competition, Wynnspak. Each student was required to present a speech on a topic of their choice and give a two minute impromptu speech in response to a topic just presented to them. All four students were outstanding ambassadors of Bacchus Marsh Grammar and deserved recipients of a Principal’s Award. Congratulations to Sarah Neville Yr12, Marcus Macklin Yr12, Elexis Chapman Yr8 and Ziad Atalla Yr8.

Alexandria Galati of Year 11 was also presented with a Principal’s Award for her involvement in Community Service - working with the St Johns Ambulance Cadets for the past 2 years

Julia Bourke of Year 11 was presented with a Principals’ Award for excellence in athletics – Shot Put. Julia competed in five State and National level competitions in eight weeks over February and March, culminating in winning her first International competition and (sixth state competition or higher this year) – the IAAF Oceania Games U18 Girls Shot Put at Cairns in May. Congratulations to all students.

Kevin Richardson
Deputy Principal – Head of the Senior School

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
– HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

End of Term 2
Normal School Dismissal-3.05pm Friday 19th June

Year 5 Field Trip
Year 5 students will be participating in a fieldtrip to the Lerderderg Gorge on Thursday 18th June. The fieldtrip will involve elements from the Science, History and Geography and Arts curricula such as soil and water testing, quadrat analysis, hiking and botanical drawing.

Students must wear correct school sports uniform including appropriate footwear and a waterproof jacket. As there will be no opportunity to visit shops, students will need to bring a packed snack, lunch and drink clearly labelled with their name and class. They will also require a clipboard and writing materials which they will pack in their School sports bag along with their food.

Transport will be by bus departing the bus turnaround at 9.00am and returning to the school by 2.45pm.

Musical in a Day – Year 4 Performing Arts Elective
The year four students involved in the Performing Arts Elective will be attending the ‘Musical in a Day’ incursion in Wilson Hall on Thursday 18th of June. This year’s performance is titled ‘Lancelot! Oh! What a Knight!’.

Students will be participating in the program run by RockEd Music. The day’s sessions will culminate in a final performance at 1:45pm in Wilson Hall. An invitation is extended to all parents/guardians to attend this performance.

Students will come to school in sport uniform on the day and bring their change of clothes with them.

BMPSSA Winter Sport
On Friday 19th June, Year 6 children will be participating in the B.M.P.S.S.A. Winter Sports Round Robin. If the weather is unfavorable, then the netball and newcombe teams will play regardless as they are played at indoor venues. The other sports will be held at a later date if this occurs.
The sports, venues and staff attending are as follows:

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The students involved in Football will walk to their venue, while the students involved in Tee-ball and Newcombe will be bussed to and from the appropriate venue. The buses will leave school at 9.00am and will return at approximately 2:45pm. Please ensure your child/ren wear full sports uniform. Students need to bring enough food and drink to see them through the day, as there are limited canteen facilities available at many of the venues.

Junior School Reports
Junior School Reports will be sent home with students on Friday 19th June. Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th July for all Year levels with the exception of Year Prep D. Prep D interviews will be conducted on Monday 27th July from 3.20pm-5.30pm and Tuesday 28th July. Information regarding the Parent Teacher interviews will be sent home at the beginning of Term Three.

Junior School Co-curricular Program
Please remember to ask your child to register at the Administration office, if they are required to use the late bus service. Alternatively, you may contact the office on 5366 4800 before recess, to register your child. Please note on the dates below when the program will not operate.

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Elizabeth O’Day
Deputy Principal - Head of the Junior School

For each of these programs it is important and the parent/guardians responsibility to notify the program coordinators if there are any changes to your child/ren’s attendance on the day that they are to attend. This may be done by SMS to either related program on the following numbers:

The Learning Hub - 0408 548 058
The Sport Hub - 0428 315 081

or

Confirmations of absentees may be phoned through the main school number on 5366 4800.
or
email the Learning Hub via hubprograms@bmg.vic.edu.au

*A reminder for all students attending The Learning Hub, The Sports Hub and/or Clubs Program they MUST have a spare hat to wear. Students are expected to keep their spare hat in their school bag so it is available to them after school. The student’s spare hat is not required to be a school branded hat. Students who do not attend with a hat will be excluded from outdoor activities.

Sports Hub-Term Two

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The Hubs Team

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB NEWS JUNE 2015
BOOK FAIR IS COMING IN TERM 3!

If you would like to volunteer to help out this year at our annual Book Fair please contact Di Dunn at dunnd@bmg.vic.edu.au

Di Dunn
Bookclub Coordinator

A kindly reminder to parents and guardians that the Learning Hub finishes at 5:30PM each night. We understand that everyone has busy lives but please keep this in mind. Extra fees may apply if you are late to collect your child/ren.
**JS CHESS NEWS**

On Monday, June 15th the Junior School Chess Team attended a Chess Tournament held at Riddells Creek Primary School. Each team member played 7 rounds of chess against various opponents. It was a great challenge for all students, as it tested their strategic thinking, as well as their perseverance and concentration skills.

A big congratulations to Division B for winning the bronze medal, and Division A, who fought hard to finish 4th.

All students proudly represented the School and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the day! A great effort! We now look forward to hosting our own tournament in Term 3, on August 19th.

Matthew LaFranchi

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**LOTE NEWS**

**ASSISTANCE REQUIRED**

Host Families Required

The LOTE department is seeking families to host a Japanese girl/boy from the 21st – 30th July 2015. If you can assist please complete a Host Family Profile Form which is attached to the full version of the Grammar Weekly online.

For further information please contact Mr Love at school or through his email lovem@bmg.vic.edu.au.

Michael Love

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**MUSIC NEWS**

**BMG In Concert**

On Friday July 24th the BMG Music department will be hosting a concert at the Geelong Performing Arts Centre. The evening will commence at 7:30pm and will showcase the talents of our Senior ensembles and VCE Music students. Tickets will be on sale shortly via the school website for $5. Once purchased online print out your receipt to redeem tickets from Reception.

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**CAREERS NEWS**

The latest BMG Careers Newsletter is available for viewing, read edition #8 for information relating to updates from tertiary institutions including a comprehensive list of 2015 Open Days. Edition 8 is now available for download at the school website under the ‘News and Events’ tab.

Alice Wu-Tollis and Li Richardson
Career Development Practitioners

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**PFA NEWS**

**PFA Annual General Meeting**

The PFA AGM is scheduled for Monday 3rd August, 2015 in the Principal’s Conference Room, level 1, Administration Building at 9am.

Nominations for Positions are now open for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Current position holders are required to re-nominate if they wish to retain their position. To be eligible for a position, you must have attended at least three PFA meetings since last AGM.

Nomination forms are available from Mrs Michelle Graham, Principals Assistant. Nomination forms are due back no later than Monday 27th July. No late nomination forms will be accepted.

The next meeting will be held directly after the PFA AGM.

**PFA Upcoming Events**

- **Trivia night**
  - Saturday 8th August, $15 per person
  - Raffles, auction items, memorabilia so please join us for a fun night. Event and ticket information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

- **Golf Day**
  - Sunday 25th October
  - Eynesbury Golf Club
  - Keep the day free, more details soon.
The PFA is registered and now part of Amart sports loyalty rewards program. Families shopping at Amart stores across Victoria may choose to nominate Bacchus Marsh Grammar as their community group and the PFA will receive benefits associated with this program. All prizes for the 2014 PFA Christmas raffle were acquired through this program.

Symone Whiteway
PFA President

SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT NEWS

CAR PARK SAFETY
A reminder to all families that the South Maddingley Road visitor parking (in front of the Administration Building) is not to be utilised by students as a “Drop off and Pick Up” area between the following times:

Before School: 8.00AM - 8.45AM
After School: 3.05PM – 3.30PM

It is far too dangerous for cars to be reversing onto South Maddingley Road during the bus times.

We would also like to remind families that it is illegal to text and utilise mobile phones whilst driving and this includes within the School carparks. All drivers should have full concentration on their surroundings particularly whilst in School zones and near school crossings.

BUS NEWS

Late Bus Service
The late bus service is available from Monday to Thursday which departs the school at 4.30pm. Students requiring use of the late bus must put their name on the late bus list in the Main Office by the end of lunch on the required day. The size of the late bus is determined by daily demand. If students fail to put their name on the late bus list they will not be guaranteed a seat.

The cost of the Late Bus is $11.00 per trip and the fee will be charged to your next terms fee account. Please note if students place their name on the late bus list and do not inform the office that they no longer need the service by the end of the day the $11.00 fee will be charged to term fees. A copy of the Late Bus timetable is available from the Main Office.

Private Bus Service Reminder
Private bus services including all Werribee, Watergardens, Caroline Springs, Cairnlea and Sunbury/Gisborne buses are private bus services for students who live in the Werribee, Watergardens, Caroline Springs, Sunbury and Gisborne areas. Students who are not allocated a seat on these bus routes are not permitted to travel on these services at any time.

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School Early Leavers
A reminder to all students and parents: if a student is required to leave school early for any reason, please ensure that your child has a signed note in their diary. This note must be sighted and counter signed by their Year Level Coordinator or Teacher, Mr Richardson or Mrs O’Day. Parents are required to arrange to meet their child at the Main Office in order to sign out in the Early Leavers Register.

Please note students are not permitted to have mobile phones switched on during School hours.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

ON CAMPUS UNIFORM SHOP SCHOOL HOLIDAY HOURS

Closed during the Term Holidays
Last Day for Term Two
Friday 19th June - 12.30 – 4.30
First day for Term Three
Monday 13th July – 12.30 – 4.30

RUSHFORDS TRADING HOURS
Mon-Fri: 9a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Sat: 9a.m. to 1p.m.
Shop 3-5 Watton Arcade, 28 Watton Street, Werribee
Phone: 9741 3211 Fax: 9741 3155
Email: rushfords@noone.com.au

Please NOTE secondhand items are now advertised on the school website www.bmg.vic.edu.au/community
KUMAMOTO HOMESTAY - BMG HOST FAMILY PROFILE

Proposed Date of Visit: 21\textsuperscript{st} – 30\textsuperscript{th} July 2015

Japanese Student name: ________________________________________________

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Father’s Occupation | Mobile/Work number

Mother’s Occupation | Mobile/Work number

Email address:

PARENT/S SIGNATURE:

Children living at home

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Other general information.

Is there anyone else living with the family. \textit{(please circle)} YES/NO If YES please specify.____________________

Will the student have his or her own room? \textit{(please circle)} YES/SHARE

Is there anyone in the family who smokes? \textit{(please circle)} YES/NO OUTSIDE or INSIDE

Do you have pets? Dogs/cats/birds/fish/rabbits/horses/etc. \textit{(please circle relevant pet)}

Where are they kept? \textit{(please circle)} OUTSIDE or INSIDE

Have you hosted before? \textit{(please circle)} YES/NO

Have you had a recent police check? \textit{(please circle)} YES/NO

Do you have a working with children check? \textit{(please circle)} YES/NO Number____________________

How do you get to school? \textit{(please circle)} BUS CAR WALK

If by bus what is the name and/or color? __________________________

Do you have a preference for a male/female host student? \textit{(please circle)} MALE FEMALE

Any further information that may be relevant?

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##To be filled in by the coordinator.

Thank you for your efforts. Michael Love

Please return form to Main Office. Thank you.
Bacchus Marsh Parent Support Group

Join us for morning tea on the fourth Monday of the month from **10.30am -12.30pm**, at **Darley Neighbourhood House**, during the school term.

This free support group gives parents of children with disabilities of any age a chance to chat and make friends with others in similar situations and to gain information about local services and events. New members warmly welcomed.

- **Monday 23rd February**
- **Monday 23rd March**
- **Monday 27th April**
- **Monday 25th May**
- **Monday 22nd June**
- **Monday 27th July**
- **Monday 31st August**
- **Monday 26th October**
- **Monday 23rd November**

**Darley Neighbourhood House,**
**33 Jonathan Dr, Darley.**

Contact Rebecca Paton, Parent Support Coordinator 5329 1361
Sunday 21st
June 2015 5-7 pm
Holy Trinity Church Hall, Gisborne Rd
Bacchus Marsh (next door to McDonalds)
All ages welcome
(Children please bring an adult with you)

To find out more:
www.bacchusmarshanglican.org.au
or phone 5367 5362