FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is that time of the year when I think many of us get a little tired of the cold and dark and this year perhaps the rain. For students it is often the time when the nature of the day, a degree of tiredness from work done and a realisation that more lies ahead which combine to make a degree of angst.

It is at this time that parents and school can work together to produce the best possible long-term results for students. It is at times like I have just described that we need students to show aspects of resilience. Much is spoken of resilience these days and it is certainly the case that aspects of resilience can be taught and enhanced. In the end, however, students in many situations have to make a decision to tough things through.

We as adults can help them in these times by supporting the decision to take the more difficult option and also by not accepting poor behaviour but accepting that in taking a difficult decision, sometimes there can be worry and stress that manifests itself as “bad temperedness” and a little space is all that is needed.

Unfortunately at present I see too many instances where parents support the adoption of the easy solution. This makes the student immediately happy and also ensures that the immediate environment is probably less stressful. It does, however, come at a cost. That cost is often a reduction in options or a staying away from the difficult decisions and times that are part and parcel of a successful life.

I would urge parents to work with us to help their children make the tough decisions that benefit them in the long-term, not the easy ones for short-term relief.

Andrew A. Neal, Principal

Reminder to parents
Mid Term Break - Friday 14th August
The school is closed for Students and Staff

IMPORTANT DATES

6 Aug 15 Vic Clay Target School Students Comp
6 Aug 15 Year 9/10 Food & Consumer Science Exc
6 Aug 15 Snr Boys & Girls Squash Championships
6 Aug 15 Yrs 7-9 Melb Legacy Public Speaking Comp
6 Aug 15 Year 10 2016 Information Night
7 Aug 15 JS Literacy Parade Prep –Year 6
8 Aug 15 PFA Trivia Night
11 Aug 15 Year 7 Geography Excursion – Western Water
11 Aug 15 ICAS Mathematics Competition
11 Aug 15 Years 7-12 Parent Teacher Interviews
11 Aug 15 Year 9&10 Aust & WW Excursion
11 Aug 15 Vietnam Veterans Guest Speaker Incursion
12 Aug 15 ICCES Football Country Cup
12 Aug 15 Year 9 2016 Information Night
13 Aug 15 Years 7-12 Parent Teacher Interviews
13 Aug 15 JS Vietnam Tour Fundraiser
13 Aug 15 Year 7 Geography Excursion
13 Aug 15 Year 8 Indonesian Class Excursion – Zoo
13 Aug 15 Jnr Girls Squash Championship
13 Aug 15 Year 5 Fieldtrip Lerderderg Gorge
14 Aug 15 Mid-Term Break – No School
14-15 Aug BMG Snow Camp

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!
PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS
Throughout this term, the school has been and will be holding a number of parent information evenings for classes for 2016. Please refer to the calendar of events for your child’s relevant information evening. Mr Currie, Dean of Studies, will present what subjects are available for students to select, and how best to select subjects. Year level Coordinators will discuss their expectations of students with regard to their conduct and attitudes toward the school and their studies throughout their senior years at BMG.

Heads of Departments are also available at these evenings to discuss details relating to their subjects areas. Thank you to Mr Currie and the Year Level Coordinators for their presentations throughout the evenings. Also thank you to other Tutor teachers and Heads of Departments for their attendance and interaction with parents.

STUDENT SUBJECT SELECTIONS FOR 2016
Student subject selection for electives has now gone online. Our timetabling software company offers a service called “Web Preferences Manager.” This allows students to select their preferences for next year via the Web Preferences - Student Portals for schools.

Each student receives an individual email, outlining the procedures to follow to submit the preferences. Students are required to print out a receipt and have their parent/guardian sign and then return the signed receipt to the Main Administration Office.

A demonstration is given at the information evenings and again at school, on the process required to submit their subject selections for next year.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent Teacher interviews for all year levels [7 to 12] will occur Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th August. The parent booking portal is now open for bookings.

The main aims for this round of Parent Teacher interviews is:

1. For families that were unable to meet with their child’s teacher earlier this year.
2. And for families who wish to meet teachers for new classes for Semester Two.
3. To address minor concerns from the Semester One Report that needs to be addressed.

If you are unable to attend the scheduled Parent-Teacher interviews, please contact your child’s teacher for an interview time that is mutually suitable. If concerns were raised and further discussion is required, please contact your child’s Year Level Coordinator and/or teacher to arrange a time for a more detailed interview.

Please keep in mind that if you have any major concerns with regard to your child’s progress at school, interviews may be arranged at suitable time to discuss at length any such concerns.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
I would like to remind students that the school spray jacket is part of the sports uniform and as such is not to be worn with the full or summer school uniform unless it is raining and used to protect their school blazer, not instead of their school blazer. Students are not to mix sports uniform with the full school uniform and vice versa, runners are not to be worn with summer or full school uniform. The wearing of the spray jacket instead of the school blazer is an infringement of the school uniform guidelines and consequences will be issued accordingly.

Kevin Richardson
Deputy Principal – Head of the Senior School

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
– HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

ICAS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION
All students in Years 3-6 who have selected to sit the ICAS Mathematics competition will do so on Tuesday 11th August. Years 3, 5 and 6 will sit the competition during periods one and two; Year 4 during periods three and four.

PREP A EXCURSION – ANIMAL LAND CHILDREN’S FARM
On Wednesday 12th August the Prep A students will be going on an excursion to The Animal Land Children’s Farm in Diggers Rest. We will be leaving school at 9:00am and returning to school at approximately 2:45pm. Staff in attendance will be Mrs Stainton and Mrs Whiteway. We will be travelling to the farm on a bus provided by Bacchus Marsh Coaches.

Students will need:
- Snack and disposable drink in a named disposable bag.
- Lunch and a disposable drink in a named disposable bag.
- To wear their sports uniform, including their spray jacket.
- To bring a pair of gumboots in a named plastic bag.

Junior School Co-curricular Program

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LITERACY DRESS UP PARADE
To celebrate ‘Book Week’ which runs from 22nd – 28th August, the Junior School will be holding a ‘Literacy Dress up Parade’. It will take place in the gym on Friday 7th August and will begin at 9:00am; concluding around 10:00am. All students from Prep Reception through to Year Six will participate in the parade as well as the Year 1/2 Choir and Glee Club. Students in Year Prep – Year 6 are
expected to take part and come to school dressed up in a costume reflecting the following themes:

**Prep Reception/Prep – Letterland**
**Year 1 – The Rainforest**
**Year 2 – Asia**
**Year 3 – Around the world (Each class has a different continent).**
**Year 4 – Favourite Book Characters**
**Year 5 – Finders Keepers**
**Year 6 – Will carry posters about their favourite books or book characters while wearing regular school uniform. Year 6 students also have the option of dressing up if desired. Year 5 & 6 Glee will be performing a medley from the musical ‘Oliver’. These students will wear their regular school uniform to school.**

Students in Year 3 & 4 should bring their sports uniform to school with them to change into after the parade.

Students in Prep, Year One and Year Two are to stay in their dress up costume for the entire day which means parents need to ensure that these students are in a practical and comfortable costume. We suggest that costumes be kept simple, it is not necessary to hire anything.

Please contact your child’s classroom teacher should you have any questions.

We hope that you can join us for this exciting event.

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

***BMG HUBS PROGRAMS***

**NEWS**

A friendly reminder that if your child is attending the Sports Hub please pack a healthy snack for them to have before we start our activity. Fruit or vegetables are the preferred suggestion, cheese and biscuits, muesli bars. *Please no chips or lollies.*

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.

The Learning Hub, The Sports Hub and The Clubs Hub. 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 absentee may be phoned through the main school number on 5366 4800.

or

email the Learning Hub via hubprograms@bmg.vic.edu.au

*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 3**

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Thank you from the Hubs Team.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

**NEWS**

GOODBYE TO BOOK FAIR!

Our Book Fair is now closed for another year. I will be posting up our sales figures in next week’s newsletter and reveal the answer to the big question “Did we surpass our all-time 2014 high?” Watch this space!

All back orders will be distributed this week. If your child has not received their order then please return the notice you were given to Mrs. Dunn at the Junior Library asap.

LOOP orders for Issue 5 catalogues are now closed but orders can still be taken but will incur postage and handling. Watch this space for Issue 6.

Di Dunn
Bookclub Coordinator
Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes at the end of Term 3. Year P-2 students are reading Challenge books with their teachers in class and may also enter books read at home. Year 3-6 students need to enter the books they have read online. Usernames and Passwords were distributed in Term 1 to those students who returned permission notes.

Please note Year 3-6 Students only: When your child has read enough books to complete the Challenge, print off the list and sign it. Then send it back to the Junior School Library for verification. Once it has been verified, your child will have completed the Challenge.

Congratulations to; Jake Parton 3B, Amy Thistlethwaite 6A, Emily Thistlethwaite 5A, and Claudia Runge 3A. These students have completed their Premier’s Reading Challenge.

BMG Narrative Writing Competition
For Years 2-6 only
Starts: 13th July 2015
Ends: 4pm 13th August 2015
Topic: Up, up and away!
Judges will be looking for creativity.
Late entries will not be accepted.
Let your writing skills shine!

ROBO CUP
NEWS
On Friday 31st of July, the students participating in the Year 5 and 6 Robotics co-curricular went to RoboCup Junior in Mount Clear, Ballarat. Students had been building LEGO Mindstorms Robots to play soccer, and actually got to try them out against other schools in a competition.

The three BMG Robo-soccer teams all did extremely well and we competitive in all matches. The Robo Reapers team made it to the Elimination Finals, and the ACE All Stars actually got to the Grand Final, but unfortunately they were defeated 3-1. It was a fun day. We learnt a lot and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Braden McDonald
Junior School I.T. Captain

EQUESTRIAN
NEWS
Congratulations to Hannah McLean who qualified to represent Victoria at 2015 Australian Interschool Equestrian Championships. Hannah and her horse Spider will travel all the way to Sydney to compete from the 28th September to 2nd of October. This is a significant achievement and one that many riders aspire to. Well done to Hannah and Spider and good luck!

Georgia Romaszko
Equestrian Coordinator
Congratulations to the Junior School age champions for 2015.

**BMG JUNIOR AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS 2015**

**SWIMMING**

9 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Tansy Seymour - Braeside
- BOYS – Noah O’Donnell - Hilton

10 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Ashley Siketa- Hilton
- BOYS – Mason Cracknell – Bacchus

11 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Nava King- Pentland
- BOYS – Braith Stainton – Hilton
  Phoenix Stevens - Pentland

12 year Olds
- GIRLS – Sophie Parton - Hilton
- BOYS – Joshua Patterson - Pentland

**ATHLETICS**

9 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Claudia Runge - Pentland
- BOYS – Koby Harris - Bacchus

10 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Poppy Burt - Braeside
- BOYS – Dakota Bajic – Bacchus

11 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Milla Rice - Pentland
- BOYS – Rye Penny - Bacchus

12 year Olds
- GIRLS – Bianca Iannazzone - Braeside
  Claudia Short - Pentland
- BOYS – Justin Runge - Pentland
  Jaelen Pavlidis - Hilton

**CROSS COUNTRY**

9 Year Olds
- GIRLS- Daisy Tipton – Pentland
- BOYS- Koby Harris- Bacchus

10 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Jordyn Mace – Pentland
- BOYS – Dakota Bajic – Bacchus

11 Year Olds
- GIRLS – Amelia Scolaro - Braeside
- BOYS – Anzac Pirika - Braeside

12 year Olds
- GIRLS – Bianca Iannazzone - Braeside
  Claudia Short - Pentland
- BOYS – Jaelen Pavlidis - Hilton

**CONGRATULATIONS**

A huge congratulation to Dakota Bajic in Year 4 for representing BMG and BMPSSA and the Western Rangers in this year’s 10 year old boys State Cross Championships.

Rachel Peterken
Head of Junior School PE

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**DISNEY’S THE LITTLE MERMAID JR.**

Ticketing for the Junior Musical – Disney’s The Little Mermaid Jr is now available for students involved in the production. A notice was sent home with all students involved last week. Please advise your child’s class teacher if you did not receive the notice.

**SHOW Details:**

**Performance Dates:** Tuesday 1st September & Wednesday 2nd September

**Venue:** Bacchus Marsh Grammar Gymnasium

**Show Start Time:** 6pm

**Ticket Price:** $10 Adults $5 Children $25 Family Ticket

Tickets must be ordered using the online booking system via the School website as detailed in the notice. The system will be open to families of the students involved in the production exclusively for another week to allow them to have first option for tickets. After this time the ticketing will be opened to all in the Bacchus Marsh Grammar community.

*Please note - Students involved in the performance do not require a ticket.*

Mrs Jenni Coombs
Junior Musical Coordinator

**SS SRC NEWS**

On Tuesday 11th August the Senior School SRC will be hosting an “Orange Day.” Students may wear an orange clothing item along with their sports uniform for a gold coin donation. All proceeds will be going to World Vision.

The 40 Hour Famine will be held on the 14th to the 16th of August. Students who wish to participate in this event are to complete their registration online through the World Vision website. Don’t forget to register yourselves under ‘Team BMG’! There will be information given at school for interested participants to help with sign-ups.

Any questions can be forwarded to grmusam@bmg.vic.edu.au, or the SRC prefects at school.

Marija Grmusa
SS SRC Coordinator

**CAREERS NEWS**

The latest BMG Careers Newsletter is available for viewing, read edition #10 for information relating to updates from tertiary institutions including a comprehensive list of 2015 Open Days. Edition 10 is now available for download at the school website under the ‘News and Events’ tab.

Alice Wu-Tollis and Li Richardson
Career Development Practitioners
SS ENGLISH NEWS

Last Tuesday, the English Department hosted the renowned guest speaker and Australian author, Cate Kennedy, to explore her collection of short stories and distinct style of writing. Cate Kennedy spoke to the Year 12 Literature students regarding her collection of short stories titled ‘Dark Roots’; imparting valuable insight to the currently studied VCE text. Students were encouraged by Ms Kennedy, to ask questions and clarify their understanding of key ideas from the short story collection.

Later in the day, Ms Kennedy also spoke to a group of students from Years 9, 10, and 11; regarding creative writing in Australia. Students found her ideas and information inspiring and felt fortunate to have the opportunity to speak to Kennedy openly with their concerns, as she shared her knowledge of writing and publishing openly and graciously with the students. It was quite an honour for us to host a highly sought after Australian author, who brought humility and sincerity to our students with her valuable knowledge.

Karin Kos
English Department

Cameron Richardson: 2nd place, Section 742 Popular Piano Solo 16 Years and Under.

Benjamin West: HM, Section 730 Novice Piano Solo 14 Years and Under.

SENIOR INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT SERIES

The Instrumental Concert Series will be held between Monday 24th – Thursday 27th August (Week Seven). All Senior School students that learn an instrument or voice (they may be part of the school instrumental program or learn outside of school) are encouraged to seize this great performance opportunity. Entry forms are available from instrumental teachers and from Student Administration. Entries close this Friday 31st July. Further notice of allocated performance times will be forwarded shortly once all entries are compiled. Please see Mr Bell for any further information.

BMG IN CONCERT DVDs

The BMG in Concert was recorded by the school. This recording will be available for purchase for $15.00 by those who were involved in the production.

DVD’s will be available to be purchased from the MyBMG Parent Portal from Monday 3rd August. DVD orders are to be placed by Thursday 13th August and will be distributed to students at school.

Please note DVD’s are for personal use only and no content from the DVD may be used or loaded onto any form of social media.

Dean Thomas
Director of Music

SS PRODUCTION 2016 NEWS

Bacchus Marsh Grammar is excited to announce the senior school musical for 2016 is:

Hairspray

The show will be held in early May next year at the Clocktower Centre, Moonee Ponds. Rehearsals will commence in Term 4, 2015. Applications to participate in this production are now available! The production features singing, acting and dancing roles, as well as the being part of the orchestra. There are also backstage, technical, prop making and hair/ make-up roles available.

Audition / Application Forms are available at the Main Administration Office and from Ms Stratakos, Miss Durham, Mr Thomas or Mr McNee. Please complete your application and return it to the Front Office or one of the teachers mentioned above by Monday, 24th August. Students who have applied for a performance role will be allocated and notified of an audition time (after school in Week 8, 9 or 10) via your Tutor Group.

Be part of a fun and rewarding experience that you will never forget!
**CANTEEN NEWS**

**Term 3 Menu**
During Term 3 the canteen offers soup and a bread roll for $4.50 every day. Soup is available for students in Years 2 – Year 12 due to safety reasons.

**Volunteers**
If anyone can help out in the canteen in the coming week we would appreciate anytime that you can give us.

**Updated Menu Items – Due to the change in supplier**
EFF’s have been replaced with Nudie and soda cans and the flavours include apple, orange and berry for $2.50 each.

Primas have been replaced with Nudie tetra packs. The flavours include Apple, Orange and Tropical. The price is still the same $1.50 each.

Juice has been replaced with Nudie and is available in Apple, Orange and Vegetable at $2.50 each.

Wedges are available on Mondays for Junior students and on Tuesdays for Senior students **ONLY**. If wedges are ordered on any other day a sweet-chili chicken roll will be substituted in their place.

Frozen Food Items
Please note no frozen items are sold at recess or given out in lunch orders.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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All lunch orders require the following basic information:

- Students name
- Year level and Tutor Group/Class
- Lunch order
- Payment

*Where possible we ask that you provide the correct money with the order and under no circumstances will frozen foods such as icy poles/zooper doopers be included with lunch orders.*

*No credit accounts are available at the Canteen.*

**Emergency Lunch Procedure**
In our busy day-to-day lives the school understands that students and families may forget lunches and an emergency replacement lunch may be required. If this should occur all students are to report to the Main Administration Office for an emergency lunch requisition. Payment for the emergency lunch must be made to the Administration Office the next school day. Teaching staff are **not permitted** to send students directly to the canteen for emergency lunches.

Parents/guardians of **all students** will be contacted by Administration staff for permission to give students an emergency lunch requisition and to check if there are any specific dietary requirements and a dollar value to spend.

**Canteen Volunteers**
The School and canteen staff would greatly appreciate volunteer support from the school community and your assistance is always welcomed. To any parent who is thinking of assisting in the canteen in 2015, you are required to have a current **Working With Children Check**. Once you have received your card please present it to the Main Administration Office where a copy of the card will be kept in a confidential file.

Kerrie, Leanne and Janine.

**PFA NEWS**

**PFA Upcoming Events**
**Trivia night** - Tickets and tables are still available. Saturday 8th August, $15 per person. Spaces are still available if you would like to join us. The PFA is seeking donations for our raffles if you are able to help out or know someone that may like to contribute to our great night.

Raffles, auction items, memorabilia so please join us for a fun night.

**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
A number of current Parents/Guardian have lost or forgotten their login details for the myBMG – Parent Portal. Parents/Guardians may now request this information using the ‘Forgotten your password?’ link on the Portal login page. Parents/Guardians require their Debtor ID or Family Code and we must have a valid e-mail address for all contacts of students.

Parents/Guardians may update their e-mail address by contacting the school via:
- email: school@bmg.vic.edu.au
- or completing change of address/details form available on the schools website.

If current Parents/Guardians have any further enquiries they will need to contact the school on 03 5366 4810. The myBMG – Parent Portal is for Parents/Guardians of current students to access only. It is advisable that students do not have access to this service.

Luke Robertson
Information Systems Support Officer

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 car parks. All drivers should have full concentration on their surroundings particularly whilst in School zones and near school crossings.

BUS
NEWS

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.

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 the 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.

Late Bus Service
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY PM:
- 4.30 Depart Bacchus Marsh Grammar
- 4.55 Coburns Central near Safeway Petrol Station (Coburns Road, Melton)
- 5.10 Caroline Springs Boulevard (service rd just after Chisholm Dr roundabout)
- 5.30 514 Derrimut Rd (Service Road between Rebecca Pmr and Baden Powell Drive)
- 5.35 Werribee Plaza (Corner Derrimut Rd and Baggott Drive)
- 5.45 Werribee Railway Station
- 5.50 Corner Ballan Road and Whittton Grove
- 5.52 Corner Ballan Road and Manor Lakes Blvd (Shopping Centre Bus Interchange)

ADMINISTRATION
NEWS

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.

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 25o) students may wear their Summer Uniform.

SS UNIFORM PASS: All senior students, who are not wearing the correct School uniform, are to report to the Main Administration Office and collect a uniform pass. The uniform pass is valid for one day only (date of issue).
UNIFORM SHOP
NEWS

"ON CAMPUS" TRADING HOURS
Mon & Fri: 12:30p.m. to 4:30p.m.
Wed: 8a.m. to 12noon
Bacchus Marsh Grammar “On Campus Shop”
Phone: 5367 4072

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

COMMUNITY
NEWS & ACTIVITIES

The Neighbours Place
The Neighbours Place (TNP) is holding a garage sale on Saturday 29 August 2015.
At the Uniting Church Grounds in Bacchus Marsh
From 8am - 2pm.
A sausage sizzle will be held from 11am - 1pm
For more information please contact Jackie on 5367 6222.

The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program has been very successful for BMG and we have been able to gain valuable learning tools for Junior School classes.

If you shop at Woolworths you can help the school to build up points in their Earn and Lean support program. The school has again registered for the program and keen for the school community to jump on board with us.
Currently when members of the school community shop at Woolworths they may collect stickers from the checkout operator and place them on sticker cards available at Woolworths. There’ll be 1 sticker for every $10 spent* (*excludes liquor, cigarettes, and gift cards.) Once completed, you can place your full sticker cards in Woolworths collection boxes located at your local Woolworths store or the main Administration office. The program will run until Tuesday 8th September.

You will be able to track our progress online at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn. At the end of the program, we can redeem our collection of points against a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources. The list is extensive and includes library books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much more.
Student’s Writing Competition

Have you dreamed of being a writer. Take your first step by entering our writing competition.

Poetry or short story (Max 3000 words )/Primary or Secondary

$50 Collins Booksellers gift Card to each category (four giftcards)

Hand in your entry before Sat 15th Aug 2015 - 4.00pm

Winners announced Sat 29th Aug

Love Your Bookshop Day

Join us on Saturday 8th August from 10.00am – 2.00pm

Meet a Local Author.

Poetry workshop with Jennie Fraine

Bacchus Marsh writers craft group, ask for an opinion on your short story.
DATE: Thursday 20\textsuperscript{th} August, 2015

TIME: 5.00pm-7.00pm

PLACE: W BLOCK (upstairs)

For all Junior and Senior students and their families!

Help celebrate Science Week 2015!

Be ENLIGHTENED

on the wonders of light

with lots of fun activities!

- Shadow Puppets
- A great visual presentation on Bioluminescence
- Lots of hands-on activities and experiments
  including light boxes, flame tests, plasma ball,
  making light with chemicals & other cool stuff!