FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I wish all members of the community a safe and restful break over the next three weeks.

I will be away for much of Term Three and Kevin Richardson, assisted by Liz O’Day will be acting in my place. A number of important communications have been or will be posted to parents by the end term. This includes the 2015 Annual Report, a letter in relation to developments at Woodlea and a letter in relation to changes to the operation of the school’s Canteen services.

Andrew A. Neal
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES - 2016

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END OF TERM TWO

Friday 17 June 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 12 July. Week One of the Senior School Timetable will operate from the commencement of Term Three (Term Two finished off on Week Two)

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.

Kevin Richardson
Deputy Principal – Head of Senior School

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
– HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Junior School Colours at the Assembly today:

Kathryn Antipas, Emily Attard, Dylan Baira, Haley Bidwell, Tiahn Carlesson, Acacia Dunstan, Andrew Erhardt, Raamish Farooq Mirza, Aaron Karp, Felicity McMahon, Jaiden Micallef, Natalie Nason, Amy O’Hara, Rye Penny, Isabelle Perry, Tashi Saini, Grace Sanders-Savage, Flynn Trembath, Hayley Welch

Important Dates in the Junior School:

June
17 BMPSSA Winter Sport Day
17 School Performance – Year 4
The Grammar Weekly

17 Last Day Term 2 – **3.05pm dismissal**
21 Vietnam Study Tour 1 returns

**July**
11 Staff commence for Term 3 – Professional Development Day
12 **Students commence for Term 3**
13 – 15 Year 5 Camp-Lake Dewar
14 Western Water Incursion
18 Scholastic Book Fair (Two week’s duration)
19 – 21 School Photo Days
27 **Junior School Parent/Teacher Interviews**
28 **Junior School Parent/Teacher Interviews**
29 100 days of Prep Celebration
29 Junior School Assembly  9.00am in the Gym
  • Prep Choir
  • Year 1A and 1B Performance
  • Year 2A and 2B Performance

Elizabeth O’Day
Deputy Principal - Head of Junior School

**HEALTH CENTRE**

**NEWS**

**STUDENTS UNWELL AT SCHOOL**

If your child presents with vomiting or diarrhoea at school you will be contacted to collect them.

It is advised that your child does not return to school until they have had no symptoms of vomiting or diarrhoea for 24 hours. This may mean that you need to keep your child home an extra day to ensure the vomiting or diarrhoea has definitely stopped.

This advice is in accordance with National Health and Medical Research Council – December 2005

I have attached a link to the Royal Children’s Hospital if your child is not getting better please follow their advice.

http://www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/fact_sheets/Gastroenteritis_gastro/

Jo Stanley
School Nurse RN Div 1

**HUBS PROGRAM**

During Term Three we will be offering sport on Monday to Thursday afternoon. Junior School students of all ages are eligible to access the Sports Hub Program.

As stated in the 2016 Business Notice the School has introduced a charge for the Sports Hub Program for 2016 which will be $25 per student, per term, for each sport a student is registered to participate. The charge will be incurred at the time of registration and will be billed to the parents/guardians separately. Please note that the charge will not be refundable, either fully or partially, once it has been paid.

There are limited positions available and only students who confirm as attending and make payment on the Parent Portal will be confirmed as attending. Confirmation and payment are due **no later than Tuesday 12th July at midday, 2016**. Confirmation of acceptance into chosen activity will be SMS to parents by the Friday afternoon.

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Please remember that we have a **No Hat No Play** policy for all children attending the Hubs Program who must have a spare hat to wear outside. Students participating in ball games in the Learning Hub must bring a spare top to wear over their uniform.

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Reminders for the Hubs Programs:

- Students attending Sports Hub are reminded to pack a healthy snack for them to have after school and a named water bottle.
- If your child is unable to attend either program please contact us via email, phone or text.

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

JUNIOR LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK FAIR 2016

CALLING FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS!
If you would like to help out at our annual Book Fair this year we are looking for Parent Volunteers for our sales desk after school Monday 25 July – Thursday 28 July from 3.05pm. If you can assist for 30-60 minutes we would love to have you on our team!
Please contact either:
Di Dunn (Senior Library Technician) dunnd@bmg.vic.edu.au
or
Feona West (Junior School Librarian) westf@bmg.vic.edu.au

Di Dunn
Book Fair Coordinator

Years 2-6 Story Writing Competition 2016
The theme for our story writing competition this year is ‘In a Deep Dark Forest’.
Entries are open to all BMG students from Years 2-6.

Entries must be handed in at the Junior School Library by the end of school on Thursday 11 August 2016.
Late entries will not be accepted.

Prizes will be awarded to the three winners from each year level. Please make sure handwriting is neat.

For further inquiries, please speak to either Bronte (6D), Kathryn (6D), Daniella (6C), or Mrs West in the Junior School Library.

LOTE NEWS

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED
In July, 12 students from our sister schools from Kumamoto are coming to BMG for a homestay. We are looking for 12 families who are willing to host them. They are around 14-15 years old.
The dates are 26 July- 4 August. If anyone is able to assist us please contact Mr Love for more details.

NEW CALEDONIA CULTURAL EXPERIENCE
An exciting opportunity is available to students of French. Next year in June we plan to take our first group to New Caledonia for an 8 day language and cultural experience. Students will attend 12 hours of French language classes and explore what this tropical paradise of New Caledonia has to offer.
Accommodation, airfares, tours and some meals will be included. The language classes will be aimed at improving speaking, and will cater at all levels. We recommend that students have Year 8 French to be part of this tour, but beginners will be catered for. The trip is open for students from years 9 – 12 in 2017 at a cost of $2,800.

For further information and to collect a letter about the study tour, please contact Mrs Fiona Erhardt.

PFA NEWS

TRIVIA NIGHT
Saturday 20 August
7pm for 7.30 start
$15 per person, tables of ten
To be held in Wilson Hall, Bacchus Marsh Grammar

More information to come, but start to get your teams together.
The PFA is registered and 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.

Symone Whiteway
PFA President

ADMINISTRATION
NEWS

Office Hours for the upcoming Term Break are:
Monday 20 June to Friday 24 June – 8:30am to 4:30pm
Monday 27 June to Friday 1 July – 9:30am to 3:30pm
Monday 4 July to Friday 8 July – 9:30am to 3:30pm

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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.

Qkr!
NEWS

We have been notified by MasterCard that a major update to the Qkr by MasterCard App will be launching very soon.

The user design experts at MasterCard have come up with a new design and parent experience within the Qkr app that all users will see with the update from Apple’s App Store or the Google Play store on or soon after 16 of June, 2016. Your username and password will remain the same, as will any credit or debit cards already stored within Qkr, as well as your profile settings and those of your children. What will change significantly is the look and feel of the app, and the screens you will see in the process of using Qkr.

Home screen: Our school will appear at the top of the home screen for currently registered users, but note some new terms like “Discover” and “Activity” as Qkr is being used increasing by non-school merchants around the world, so the design has been modified to cater for users in a wide range of industry sectors.

Receipts will in future be stored under the “Activity” tab. Your old receipts will still be accessible from this area.

Product selection screen: This screen will now be more efficiently used to make scrolling through a large list of products easier.

There is one feature we have always had but few people knew about, and that is the ability for busy parents/guardians to copy all of last week’s food orders to next week with the click of one button. This is made more visible in the new app with the words “Repeat Order”.

For any issues or assistance please feel free to contact the school or visit our website and ‘search’ ‘qkr’.

Luke Robertson
Information Systems Support Officer

BUS
NEWS

LATE BUS
A reminder to students travelling on the late bus. You must sign up each day you require the service. The cost of the late bus service is $12.00 per trip.

Sign up at Reception before the end of lunch. The size of the bus ordered is determined on the number of students who sign up.

Late Bus Timetable
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 Road just after Chisholm Dr roundabout)
5.30 514 Derrimut Rd (Service Road between Rebecca Prm and Baden Powell Drive)
5.35 Werribee Plaza (Corner Derrimut Rd and Baggott Drive)
5.45 Werribee Railway Station (Manly Street)
5.50 Corner Ballan Road and Whitton Grove
5.52 Corner Ballan Road and Manor Lakes Blvd (Shopping Centre Bus Interchange)

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.
SAFETY & ENVIRONMENT NEWS

CAR PARK (Main Car Park)
DROP OFF/PICK UP ZONE

*Remember the drop off zone is a “kiss and go” zone. Your assistance will ensure that the drop off zone flows in an ordered and steady manner.

SOUTH MADDINGLEY ROAD
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.

CARPARK 2 (Flag Pole Garden)
Please note that Carpark 2 is a Staff Carpark and that students should not be dropped off or collected from this carpark. This also applies to collecting students from after school activities which conclude at 4:20pm. Please arrange to collect your children from the Main Carpark 1.

UNIFORM NEWS

Senior School 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).

Lost Property
Please check that all items of student’s clothing are clearly named: in doing so, items mislaid and taken to lost property will quickly be returned via class/tutor group teachers to their owners.

Please note that un-named property will not readily be released to students who claim ownership. Please clearly name your child’s uniform to protect your investment in its purchase. In the lead up to the end of the school year parents and guardians are asked to check their child/ren’s uniform to ensure they have not mistakenly taken home another student’s property. Any items that may have been mistakenly taken home maybe brought to the Main Administration for distribution back to the correct family.

SECONDHAND BOOKS & UNIFORM NEWS

Secondhand books and uniform are now sold through the Sustainable School Shop. To get started, go to www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au and either register as a parent or log-in if you are already registered.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

On Campus Uniform Shop
“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

COMMUNITY NEWS

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