The past week has seen the end of Year 12 examinations, change in the school landscape and a new era with the first delivery of buildings for the new Early Learning Centre at Woodlea.

Congratulations to the Year 12 students and staff for keeping the exams calm and focused during the exam period. I would also like to thank the wider school community for supporting the Year 12 students through the examination period. I wish all students well with their results and their future endeavours.

There have been major changes in the landscape of the School particularly in the Junior School with the removal of the old Health Centre, Uniform Shop and classroom buildings. During this period there have been significant changes and the relocation of classes and staff offices. The key focus for the school is to keep the whole community safe whilst construction works are underway. I would like to thank students, staff and the school community for their patience and understanding during this period of disruption and growth. I am confident the end product will be of great benefit.

On Wednesday a new era for BMG began with the first delivery of modular buildings for the Early Learning Centre temporary site at Woodlea. Delivery and construction will continue for the remainder of the week. Registration of interest for Enrolments are being taken for the centre and the School is preparing to proceed to the second phase of the enrolment procedure. If you are interested in a position for your child looking for exceptional care and comprehensive Kindergarten programs, please visit our school web site and complete the Registration.

Orientation day was held on Tuesday and the school welcomed students in Prep Reception, Prep and Year 7, 2017. I would like to thank the new students, staff and especially the Year 9 Leaders and music students who gave up their study day to help the 2017 Year 7 students integrate into school life at BMG.

Andrew A Neal
Principal

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SCHOOL LOGO

As previously advised over the last 3 years; from the beginning of 2017 all school uniform items must include the current school logo as pictured.

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**FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL**

**YEARS 8 to 11 EXAMINATIONS**
Examinations for Years 7 to 11 commenced Thursday of last week and will conclude Friday 18 November. *Any student who has missed* their examination due to illness or otherwise will have the opportunity to complete their examinations throughout the following week.

**ASSESSMENT TASK/ASSIGNMENTS**
It is very important that students remain on task and complete and submit all tests, assignments and other assessment tasks as required. Staff have commenced grading examinations, and assignments and are currently writing Semester Two descriptive reports. Semester Reports will be collated and posted to families at the beginning of the summer holidays.

**YEAR 7 ORIENTATION DAY**
Tuesday 15 November was the Year 7 (2017) orientation day. Thank you to all the staff that organised events and activities for students to be involved throughout the day. It was very pleasing to see so many students enjoy the activities. Thank you to next year’s Year 9 leaders who attended and supported the staff and students, they were invaluable in giving direction and advice to next year’s students.

Thank you to the Music staff and students for their performance during period 6, highlighting some of the wonderful extra curricula opportunities that available for students in the music program.

Finally, thank you to Ms Zoe Erickson, YLCs and the hospitality staff for organising the students, staff, morning tea and lunch.

Kevin Richardson
Deputy Principal - Head of Senior School

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**FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**YEAR 6 JUNIOR DEBATING TEAM**
Big congratulations to all the Grade 5 and 6 students who debated against Braemar College last week. Students were all polite, friendly and hardworking throughout the day. They made a great effort to get to know the Braemar students and were a credit to themselves and the school.

*We won all six of our debates* which was a big achievement given the competition was much stronger than we found in Werribee.

Shout-outs to: *Tyra and Rebecca (tied), Eloise, Dylan, Bianca, Tristen* and *Morgan* for best speaker awards.

Kudos to: *Emily, Maddie Wilson, Eloise, Maddie West, Ari* and *Morgan* for participating in their first impromptu debate. It was great to see the girls applying all the skills they’ve been learning inter dependently while under pressure.

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**Coach Approach Year 3-6**
The Year 3-6 students will participate in Coach approach sport day on Friday 18 November. Information will be sent home today regarding this program.

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**Grade 3 Camp 2016**
**Mt Evelyn Recreation Camp**
**Monday 21st November – Wednesday 23rd November**
**Wednesday 23rd November - Friday 27th November 2016**

The Year Three students will spend three days and two nights at “Mt Evelyn Recreation Camp” which is a camp located at the foothills of the Dandenong Ranges National Park.

**YEAR 3A and 3B** will be attending from Monday 21 - Wednesday 23 November and **YEAR 3C, 3D, and 3E** will be attending from Wednesday 23 – Friday 25 November.

The camp is very well established in an excellent, safe bush setting and offers a wide range of activities, which includes initiative activities, animal encounters and environmental activities.

The staff attending the first camp will be:
Ms Rachel Peterken, Mr. Brendan McLoughlin, Mrs. Erin Bullen, Mrs Kim Blundell, Mrs Nicole Farley Mrs Tammie Chadwick and Mrs Mel Glen.

The Staff attending the second camp will be:
Ms Rachel Peterken, Mr Brendan McLoughlin, Ms Imogen Murray, Mrs Rebecca Bourke, Mrs Nicole Farley, Mrs Monica Slattery, Mrs Jenni Coombs and Mrs Mel Glen.

The students will leave Bacchus Marsh Grammar at 9.00am on Monday 21 and Wednesday 23 November and will arrive back at school for normal school dismissal on Wednesday 23 and Friday 25 November. **Students will need to provide their own snack, lunch and drink on the first day of camp**.

**Reminder for Year 5 and 6 Students and families**
The Year 5 and 6 Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 6 December. This is also the end of term for students in Years 5-8.

**November**
18 Year 3-6 Coach Approach
23–25 Year 3 Camp Mount Evelyn
28 – 30 Year 4 Camp Queenscliff
29 Year 6 Graduation-Taylor’s Lakes Receptions

**December**
1 Meet the Teacher Afternoon 1.30pm – 2.45pm
2 Christmas Craft Morning
2 Christmas Performance Morning
5 Year 1 Day Camp
6 Awards Day Year 5-6 & End of Term (Year 5-8)
7 Athletics Fun Carnival Prep – Year 4 9.00am – 1.00pm
7 Last Day Prep – Year 4 3.05pm dismissal

Elizabeth O’Day
Deputy Principal - Head of Junior School
**HUBS PROGRAM**

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.

**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.

**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 absentees may be phoned through the main school number on **5366 4800**.

or

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

**Sports Hub Term 4 Program**

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| Tuesday   | Tuesday 22 November
            | Tuesday 29 November
            | Tuesday 6 December | Fitness  |
| Wednesday | Wednesday 23 November
            | Wednesday 30 November
            | Wednesday 7 December | Cricket  |
| Thursday  | Thursday 17 November
            | Thursday 24 November
            | Thursday 1 December | Dance    |

**JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORT NEWS**

**HOOP TIME TEAMS MAKE STATE FINALS**

Congratulations this time to the Senior Mixed Future Stars Hoop Time team, who last Friday won their way to the State finals to be held at Dandenong Basketball Stadium next week. This is the fourth Bacchus Grammar team to achieve this level of competition in 2016.

We wish all 4 teams the best as they aim to become the number one Junior Schools Basketball teams in Victoria for their respective divisions.

**WOODLEA EARLY LEARNING CENTRE NEWS**

**Early Learning Centre, Woodlea**

Great news……our buildings begun to arrive on our temporary site (opposite the “Go West” café)! We are currently taking “Registration of Interest for Enrolment” for children aged 2 – 5 years of age. The Long Day Care Centre will incorporate comprehensive kindergarten programs for the three to five year olds and a rich learning environment for our two-year-old children.

If you are interested for your children or know of other families who may like to attend please visit our web site [www.bmg.vic.edu.au/enrolments](http://www.bmg.vic.edu.au/enrolments)

For further information, please do not hesitate in contacting Kerry Osborn or Kirsti Condon on 5366 4800 or 0499 551 238. We will begin the next phase of our enrolment process in coming weeks.

Kerry Osborn
Director Woodlea ELC
2017 Booklists
Booklists for 2017 have been distributed to all students in Junior and Senior School.

If you wish the school to send in your booklist on your behalf, booklists must be returned to the Main Administration Office by Monday 28 November 2016. If for any reason you are unable to return your booklist to Bacchus Marsh Grammar by this date, you will need to post your booklist directly to Ballarat Books, or use the web return option as stated on the booklist cover letter from Ballarat Books.

Booklist collection day for 2017 is Thursday 12 January and Friday 13 January. The collection day will operate from Wilson Hall between 9:30am and 3:00pm.

If you are unable to collect your child's books on the collection days; for your convenience, please ensure that you select the postage option. Booklist Parcels not collected or paid for on collection day will be taken back to Ballarat Books and parents will need to arrange collection with Ballarat Books. Please refer to the payment options section on the Ballarat Books cover letter. The School preferred payment option for booklists handed into the office is payment by Credit Card or Cheque (payable to Ballarat Books). Please note that if you do pay for your booklist items by cash, the correct amount must be included in a sealed envelope.

Once your child receives their book order, please ensure that you clearly name each item. It is important that as many items as practicable are brought to school on the first day of term.

Please contact Michelle Graham if you have any queries.

Second-hand Textbooks & Second-hand Uniforms
The school has generously provided an annual subscription for parents to access the Sustainable School Shop

- Register on the Sustainable School Shop website – www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au
- List Wanted and For Sale Ads (Browsers tell each other what they require and what they have to sell).
- The school's book and uniform lists are loaded into the system to make the Ad listing process easy, fast and accurate.
- Assistance is provided to accurately price items

The Ad Matching service shows you
- Exactly the right items to buy
- Who has the most items you need
- The cheapest items

Buyers contact Sellers, and arrange where and when to transact.
Excellent email and telephone helplines are provided: 0438 743 444.

Junior & Senior SRC
NEWS

Neighbours Place Food Train is at school for 2016!

The food train is here again in 2016 and BMG has begun collecting donations of non-perishable items in support of The Neighbours Place in Bacchus Marsh just in time for Christmas. The JS & SS SRC teams would like to encourage students and staff to contribute to the “Food Train” from the Neighbours Place located in Bacchus Marsh.

ABOUT THE NEIGHBOURS PLACE - The Neighbour's Place is a not-for-profit organization staffed by volunteers. The primary purpose of the Neighbours Place is to provide food assistance to those in need. Highly valued food items include: canned meats, canned soup, breakfast cereal, long life milk, dry pasta or rice, canned vegetables such as tomatoes, peas and corn. These items really do make a difference to someone who is doing it tough.

The JS and SS SRC are aiming to collect at least 1200 items to donate to the Neighbours Place. This number represents one item from each family at the school so please jump on board the train and help those in need.

Nonperishable items are to be collected by class and tutor groups and brought to the Administration Office after AM Class/Tutor group.

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORT
NEWS

“From the Gym”

2016 Year in Review
The Bacchus Marsh Grammar Mustangs continued their outstanding success last year with a “Back to Back” win in the 2016 ICCES Winter Tour. This was a big highlight and the BMG Mustangs second overall ICCES win. The Winter Tour was again held in Shepparton and as well as winning the Aggregate the BMG Mustangs made seven Grand Finals from eleven sports and came away not only with the aggregate but also the Junior Girls Basketball and the Junior Girls Netball Championships.
The ICCES Swimming Carnival was held at MSAC. The competition this year was extremely fierce with the Team finishing in fourth place overall, however, the points difference between all top teams was extremely close. In addition to coming fourth overall on Aggregate Bacchus Marsh Grammar athletes won individual Age Group Champions Awards; Year 10 Boys – Jack Carr, Year 9 Girls – Jaime Paterson.

Once again BMG co-hosted along with Braemar College all ICCES Schools in the ICCES Athletics Carnival held at the Lakeside Stadium in Melbourne. Once again the team’s aim was to better our fifth place gained in last year’s carnival. Final overall placing’s saw the Mustangs improve to finish in fourth place our best ever result in athletics. The following athletes also won their Age Group Championship Medals; Year 9 Female – Rachel Jackson, Year 8 Male – James Di Pretoro and Year 10 Girl – Shani Bullard.

The ICCES X-Country Carnival was again held at the State course in Bundoora. With X-Country not traditionally being a strength of the Mustangs, training started early and athletes were utilising the strength and conditioning facilities on a weekly basis. This along with the athlete’s positive attitude saw BMG finish a “best ever” fourth place with Ethan McMinmee winning the Junior Boys and Sophie McMinmee winning Silver and Bailey Sharp winning Bronze in their respective age groups.

The final event of the year was the ICCES Summer Tour hosted by BMG in Ballarat. Although poor weather meant the cancellation of the softball and cricket, teams competed hard in tennis and volleyball throughout the day. The BMG Junior Girls Tennis team won the pennant and three Volleyball teams won silver medals on the day.

Congratulations to all on a fabulous 2016 in Sport and a huge thankyou to all staff and coaches for their tireless work throughout the year.

Andrew Perks
Director of Sport

**HEALTH CENTRE NEWS**

Temporary Relocation Information

The Health Centre will be temporarily relocating to the new Level 1 Gymnasium Office Extension as of Wednesday 2 November.

If you are contacted by the Health Centre to collect your child from school, please go to the Main Administration Office and you will be guided from there.

Any medication which needs to be passed onto the Health Centre is also to be taken to the Main Administration Office and the Health Centre staff will collect it.

If you have any queries in regards to the above, please do not hesitate to contact either Jo Stanley.

Thank you for your patience whilst the new Health Centre is under construction.

Joanne Stanley
School Nurse

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**PFA NEWS**

Due to the generous support of the Amart Sports Loyalty Program the PFA are once again running a Christmas raffle.

Raffle books have been distributed to families in the Junior School. Families of Senior students and extra tickets books may be collected from the Administration office.

**BMG PFA 2016 Christmas Raffle**

**Tickets $1 each (book of 10)**

1st Prize – Madd Gear Kaos Scooter (valued at $199)

2nd Prize – Fit Bit Alta (valued at $179)

3rd Prize – Jabra Sport Pace Wireless Bluetooth Earbuds (valued at $159)

4th Prize – Garmin Vivofit 2 (valued at $139)

5th Prize – Everlast Inflatable Punch Bag (valued at $100)

6th & 7th Prize – Asics Sports Bag & Ball Pack (valued at $80)

8th Prize – AFL Monopoly Boardgame (valued at $65)

9th Prize – Spinex Power, Spin, Play Game/Frisbee Disc/Foot Bubbles (valued at $58)

10th Prize – Frankin Fun 5 Combo Game Set (valued at $50)

11th Prize – Kookaburra Lithium Plastic Cricket Set (valued at $40)

12th Prize – Core Flexibility & Toning Pilates Set (valued at $30)

Tickets to be returned by 25th November 2016 to BMG Office Raffle drawn Thursday 1 December 2016.

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

**UNIFORM NEWS**

**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.

Parents and guardians are asked to regularly 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.
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).

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
Rushfords Werribee Store Relocation
Rushford’s Schoolwear store in Werribee has relocated. A flyer with relocation details and new location map is attached to the newsletter.

We look forward to welcoming customers in our new store location.

Reminder for Grade 5 students 2017
If your child is in Grade 5 in 2017 they will need a Blazer. Please feel free to come into the Uniform Shop to try on and order or lay-by a Blazer.

Due to Building Works - the On Campus Uniform Shop has temporarily moved to Wilson Hall (Wilson Hall Café)

“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.
Shop1/13 Barnes Place, Werribee.
Phone: 9741 3211 Fax: 9741 3155
Email: rushfords@noone.com.au

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## Term Dates 2017

### Term 1 2017
- **Staff Day** – *ALL Staff Commence* |
  Monday 30 January
- **Year 12 Day Camp** |
  Tuesday 31 January
- **Year 12 Classes Commence** |
  Wednesday 1 February
- **Year 7 Classes Commence** |
  Wednesday 1 February
- **Prep Commence** |
  Wednesday 1 February
- **Prep Reception Commence** |
  Wednesday 1 February [8:45am to 12:45pm]
- **Years 1-6 & Years 8-11 Commence** |
  Thursday 2 February
- **Labour Day** |
  Monday 13 March
- **End of Term 1** |
  Friday 31 March

**Good Friday 14 April, Easter Monday 17 April, Easter Tuesday 18 April**

### Term 2 2017
- **Staff & Students Commence** |
  Wednesday 19 April
- **ANZAC Day** |
  Tuesday 25 April
- **Queen’s Birthday** |
  Monday 12 June
- **End of Term 2** |
  Friday 23 June
- **Staff Week** |
  Monday 26 June to Friday 30 June
- **Year 10 Work Experience Week** |
  Monday 26 June to Friday 30 June

### Term 3 2017
- **Staff Commence** |
  Monday 17 July
- **Students Commence** |
  Tuesday 18 July
- **Mid-Term Break** |
  Friday 18 August (*no students – whole school*)
- **End of Term 3** |
  Friday 22 September

### Term 4 2017
- **Staff Commence** |
  Monday 9 October
- **Year 12 Examinations** |
  Monday 9 October (*externally supervised at school*)
- **Students Commence** |
  Tuesday 10 October
- **Mid-Term Break** |
  Monday 6 November
- **Melbourne Cup** |
  Tuesday 7 November
- **End of Term (Years 9 to 11)** |
  Monday 11 December (*Years 9-11 only*)
- **End of Term (Years 5 to 8)** |
  Tuesday 12 December (*Years 5-8*)
- **End of Term (Prep to 4)** |
  Wednesday 13 December (*Prep -4 only*)
- **Staff Day** |
  Thursday 14 December
- **Staff Day** |
  Friday 15 December

*V.5 Confirmed*
Parent Voices - ADHD Experiences in School
An interactive workshop for parents to explore how school settings could better support children with ADHD

Facilitators:
Deb Robertson
Teacher, Parent and PhD Candidate, Federation University
Rebecca Paton,
Parent Support Coordinator, Pinarc Disability Support

This workshop will give parents opportunities to share positive experiences of their kids with ADHD in schools. They will also discuss strategies to overcome difficulties that may help other families both at school and at home. Information gathered from the workshop may be helpful in guiding the direction for research into strategies to support children with ADHD in schools.

Monday 21st of November
6.00pm - 7.30pm
Pinarc Disability Support, 1828 Sturt St Alfredton

A DVD for children will be showing in another room with supervision by Pinarc Recreation staff for families unable to find childcare for that evening. Please confirm numbers at time of registration.

Register at Pinarc Reception: Ph: 5329 1300

www.pinarc.org.au  general enquiries: 03 5329 1300
Sunday 20th November 2016 5-7 pm
Holy Trinity Church Hall, Gisborne Rd
Bacchus Marsh (next door to McDonalds)
All ages welcome

To find out more: www.bacchusmarshanglican.org.au
or phone 5367 5362
MooRabool Light Orchestra proudly presents

Sounds of Christmas

SUNDAY 18 DECEMBER 2016 @ 2pm
Bacchus Marsh Public Hall

Join the 40+ members of the Moorabool Light Orchestra and special guest artists in a delightful Pleasant Sunday Afternoon of special Christmas Music to herald in the Christmas Season!
Program includes An Australian Bush Christmas featuring Australian Music, Prose and Poetry.
Guest appearance by the Moorabool Showband

GENERAL ADMISSION $20
Tickets at the Door (from 1pm) or pre-purchase from
Bacchus Marsh Florist & Nursery
185 Main Street .... From Mid-November

SPECIAL GUEST ARTISTS include

Maxine Montgomery
(Soprano)


Watch for further Details!