

BMG NEWS

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From the Principal

We would like to wish our Year 12 students all the very best as they finish classes this week and move into exam preparation.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and in the absence of a traditional Valedictory Dinner, the school hosted a Graduation Presentation, streamed to families and included a final surprise of a fireworks display.

In what has been a difficult year, we are proud of our students' attitude and effort. Thank you to parents and staff for supporting students to the finish line.

Mr Andrew A. Neal



**Reminder: Mid-term break on Monday 2 November
and Public Holiday on Tuesday 3 November – No School**

Year 7 Egyptian Art Show



As part of the Year 7 History curriculum, one of the tasks undertaken was the production of an Ancient Egyptian artefact. The students embraced the challenge and worked hard in the production of their artefacts. As part of the task, students had to justify why they had chosen to produce a certain artefact as well as what and how it was used. To add a bit more fun to the task, Ms Askeland and Mr

Howell arranged to combine their classes for an Art Show. Students from 7H and 7I arranged their work and then toured the two classrooms with a worksheet to record their favourite five artefacts. This allowed students to share their work and extend their historical knowledge. Two particularly outstanding pieces were a Pyramid produced by Brandon Cramer (7H) and a copy of the Khepresh Crown by Joanne Joseph (7I). We congratulate the Year 7s for all of their hard work.

Mr Michael Howell – Year 7 History



Student Achievement

Congratulations to Vasish Vasireddy 7WA for his recent victory in the Rostrum Public Speaking State Final. Further details regarding Vasish's winning speech will follow in the next BMG eNews.

Mrs Sarah Hunter – Deputy Head of Woodlea Campus

School Administration Information

Reminder: Parent Contact Details

Please ensure that your email address and mobile telephone details are updated on the [MyBMG Portal](#).

Newsletter on Friday 6 November

There will be no newsletter produced on Friday 6 November, due to the short week with term-break and a public holiday.

Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) – Extended Eligibility Due Dates

This is applicable to families who hold a valid Centrelink Pensioner Concession or Health Care Card number (CRN).

In recognition of the impact of COVID-19 on schools and families, the Department of Education and Training (Vic DET) has extended the cut off date to apply for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) in 2020.

Further information and the CSEF application form can be downloaded from the [School's website](#).

If you have yet to return your CSEF application form, please ensure this is returned to the Administration Office no later than 27 November 2020.

Please contact Kerryn Browne for further information via brownek@bmg.vic.edu.au.

Student Wellbeing

As a Wellbeing Team, we are always eager to share with our school community useful resources which focus on understanding and supporting the wellbeing and positive mental health of our students. Parents and guardians are now able to access these resources via Schoolbox.*

Within Schoolbox, parents and guardians are able to click on the 'Wellbeing' link found on the right side of the home page. Here, you will find fact sheets and links to websites on a variety of topics including cyber safety, mood and sleep, which you may find useful. Parents and guardians are also able to access the resources that students will now be able to view and we would always encourage exploring and discussing these together.

We will continue to add to these resources and look forward to maintaining an up-to-date and relevant suite of information for the school community.

**Parents can login into Schoolbox by either typing the URL in a browser - schoolbox.bmg.vic.edu.au - or by selecting the link on the myBMG Parent Portal. Full instructions are available via the myBMG Parent Portal under Whole School/General Forms.*

Student Wellbeing Team

Middle School News

Year 7 Orientation Transition

Bacchus Marsh Grammar is continuing to monitor Government advice regarding the possibility any future Orientation Days to assist in the transition process for both current Year 6 students and our new students set to join us in 2021. Transition is such an important process for all Year 6 students and we are hopeful we can provide all future Year 7 students with this invaluable experience. We will keep you informed of any decisions as they arise.

Please note that the Woodlea campus is situated within Metro region and arrangements regarding transition days may vary to the Maddingley campus.

Year 6 Graduation Celebration

We are excited by the news that our current Year 6 students will be able to celebrate a modified graduation later this year. Unfortunately, given current Government advice and restrictions, our graduation celebration will not be the same as previous years. Currently we are busily organising a unique and different experience for all Year 6 students that will provide them with a celebration to mark the end of their traditional Primary education. We will keep all parents informed of the process as the details are worked out over the coming weeks.

Mr Dean Peplinkhouse – Head of Middle School

Bus Information

Students sitting Unit 3 / 4 Exams

Public/Private buses are not recommended for students sitting Unit 3/4 exams which begin at 9.00am.

Students should always aim to arrive thirty minutes before the commencement of their examinations. The VCAA states that students arriving late will not be given allowance for reading time, and students arriving 30 minutes after the commencement of writing time may not have their responses accepted by the VCAA.

Student ID Cards

Many students are travelling on private buses without their student ID cards to tap on and off the bus. All students were given their Student ID cards at the start of the year. If your child/ren has/have misplaced their Student ID cards, students from Prep to Year 6 can have their parents write a note in their diaries advising their class teacher and a replacement will be printed by the ICT Department. Students in Years 7 to 12 can go to the ICT Department and ask for a replacement. Students who continually travel without their student ID cards will be sent to their Year Level Coordinator.

Bus departure time

A reminder that students are to be at their bus stop a minimum of 5 minutes prior to their departure time listed on the timetable. Buses will be departing at their scheduled time.

Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator

Music Department – Woodlea and Maddingley

2021 Instrumental Music Enrolments

Parents have now been emailed correspondence regarding the Instrumental Music Program and the re-enrolment process for existing students. Please find a summary of key dates below:

Re-enrolment: closing date to withdraw from the 2021 program – **Friday 6 November**.

Please note that students will be automatically re-enrolled into the 2021 Instrumental Music Program with the same lesson format/s and/or instrument hire. Parents/guardians are not required to complete a new enrolment form if no changes are required.

A new enrolment should, however, be completed for additional enrolments or instrument hire.

Please contact music@bmg.vic.edu.au with any queries.

Mr Steven Bell - Director of Music

BMG Community Contacts

Bacchus Marsh Grammar Uniform

Updates from Noone detailing operations for both the On-Campus Shop and Rushfords are listed on the [school website](#).

Werribee Store - Rushfords

Reopening to customers from Wednesday 28 October 2020. Phone orders are still welcome on 9741 3211.

- Monday to Friday (9.00am- 5.00pm)
- Saturday (9.00am – 1.00pm)

On Campus Store - Maddingley

Reopening to customers from 28 October 2020. Phone orders are still welcome on 5367 4072.

- Monday (12.30pm - 4.30pm)
- Wednesday (8.00am - 12.00pm)
- Friday (12.30pm - 4.30pm)

2021 New Student Uniform Fittings

As official school uniform supplier, Noone will be conducting new student uniform fittings for Bacchus Marsh Grammar commencing Wednesday November 4th, 2020. For further details – [click here](#).

The uniform store is located at: Bacchus Marsh Grammar, South Maddingley Road, Bacchus Marsh VIC 3340.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) – YMCA Ballarat

YMCA Ballarat continue to operate Out of School Hours Care. See details via the [school website](#).

Enrolments are now completed online.

Email: chrisie.ashmore@ymca.org.au Phone: 0490 178 638 W: www.ballarat.ymca.org.au

Maddingley:

bacchusmarsh.oshc@ymca.org.au or 0438 154 842

Location: South Maddingley Road, Maddingley, Victoria 3340

Woodlea:

woodlea.oshc@ymca.org.au or 0490 490 362

Location: 111 Frontier Avenue, Aintree, Victoria. 3336.

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 – woodlea_absentees@bmg.vic.edu.au

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School Website: www.bmg.vic.edu.au

Community News – Maddingley Campus

Update from Western Water

Western Water is advising that Parwan Road, between East Maddingley Road and South Maddingley Road, will have a single lane open to traffic due to sewer and water pipeline works in the area.

The single lane will be in operation weekdays from 15 October until 2 December from 7.30am to 5.30pm.

Traffic management will be in place during this time and priority will be given to school buses accessing the school. Parents can avoid delays on Parwan Road by accessing the school via either South Maddingley Road or East Maddingley Road.

For more information: <https://www.westernwater.com.au/Network-Upgrades/Bacchus-Marsh-and-surrounds/Maddingley-Sewer-and-Water-Project>

