



## Remembrance Day

On 6 November, Woodlea student leaders and staff attended the Remembrance Sunday Service organised by the Community Development Manager for the Woodlea Estate, Ms Claire Mouser. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to honour the fallen and support veterans and their families. Garvit Sharma of Year 8 delivered a prayer of thanks and remembrance on this occasion and Maddie De Vera and Aarya Avinash of Year 6 laid a wreath on behalf of the staff and students of Bacchus Marsh Grammar. Students were privileged to meet Mr Allan Godfrey, a 99-year-old WWII Veteran who attended the service and spoke with students about his time serving in the Pacific during WWII.

Maddingley student leaders from both Middle and Senior School were present at the Bacchus Marsh RSL Remembrance Day Service on Friday 11 November.

Students and staff also commemorated Remembrance Day with a whole campus service. This concluded with a minute's silence at 11am which marked the moment when, at 11am on 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. It was a solemn moment in which all students showed the school values of Respect and Discipline as they reflected on the courage of past and current service men and women and remembered those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

*Lest We Forget.*

**Ms Amanda Maitland-Smith – Head of Senior School: Woodlea**



## 2023 Annual Acknowledgement

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BMG families were emailed on 4 November 2022 advising them of the 2023 School Fee Schedule and release of the [2023 Business Notice](#).

All parents/guardians associated with a student of the School are required to complete the Annual Acknowledgement that has now been emailed via Edsmart. The Annual Acknowledgement needs to be signed and submitted by Friday 9 December 2022.

If you require any assistance completing the Annual Acknowledgement, please contact Administration on (03) 5366 4800.

## BRIDGE School Partnerships Program

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As part of the BRIDGE School Partnerships Program, funded by the Asia Education Foundation, Melbourne University, Bacchus Marsh Grammar recently had the pleasure of hosting Pak Yazid, the leading teacher from our sister-school in Jakarta, Indonesia, MTs YASDA.

During his brief one-week visit during the first week of November, Pak Yazid had the opportunity to introduce many of his students in Indonesia to our students studying Indonesian at BMG via pre-recorded videos. He also provided our students with the opportunity to introduce themselves to our sister-school students in Indonesia.

The aim of this ongoing program with our sister-school is to enhance the language skills and cultural understanding of students at both schools.

Pak Yazid conducted workshops making traditional Indonesian Betawi dolls, Ondel-Ondel, with our Year 5 Indonesian students. He also sang traditional Indonesian Betawi songs to some of our Indonesian classes.

These activities are of great value to our students by increasing their understanding of the Indonesian language and culture.

Prior to his departure, Pak Yazid expressed enormous appreciation for what he described as the extraordinary welcome extended to him by BMG teachers and students, as well as the wonderful hospitality he experienced during his stay with the Patterson family who hosted him for one week.

*Pictured: Ms Aryani, Mr Neal, Mr Yazid and Ms Patterson*

**Mr Ian Hutcheson**



## Exams

### Unit 3 / 4

From 26 October to 16 November, Unit 3/4 students completed their final exams at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. This is both a challenging and stressful time, however our students can hold their heads high knowing that they have navigated this period with tenacity and resilience. A huge thank you must also go to the Year 12 teachers for their calming presence and willingness to go above and beyond to assist our students with their final exam preparations.

Congratulations to our Year 12s on finishing their exams. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

**Mr Tony Castrignano – Year 12 Coordinator**

### Years 7 to 11

Exam timetables for Years 7 to 11 are accessible on [Schoolbox](#). These are commencing from 18 November to 1 December.

**Mrs Sarah Hunter & Mr Rob de Wit**



## Student Wellbeing News

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 Parent Wellbeing tab found in the Junior, Middle and Senior School Gateways. Here, you will find fact sheets and links to websites on a variety of topics including cyber safety and 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.

You can also find previous editions of the Billboard under the Billboard tile. There is a new Billboard each term for students in Years 5 – 12 to explore a range of topics that support their overall wellbeing.

\*Parents can login into Schoolbox by either typing the URL in a browser or by following this link <https://schoolbox.bmg.vic.edu.au> . Parents can also visit our website at [www.bmg.vic.edu.au](http://www.bmg.vic.edu.au) and select the 'Parent' tab' where you will be directed to Schoolbox.

**Student Wellbeing Team**

A screenshot of the Schoolbox website interface. At the top, there is a blue navigation bar with icons for News, Calendar, Groups, and Quick Links. Below this, the main content area is titled 'The Billboard'. There are four large, colorful tiles representing different year levels: 'Years 5 &amp; 6' (purple), 'Years 7 &amp; 8' (orange), 'Year 9 &amp; 10' (green), and 'Years 11 &amp; 12' (pink). Each tile has a bokeh background effect. The page also shows a breadcrumb trail: 'BMG &gt; BMG Gateway - Middle &amp; Senior Schools &gt; The Billboard'.

## Woodlea Middle Service Leaders 2023

Woodlea campus is excited to announce our 2023 Middle School Service Leaders. Congratulations to all students.

Mrs Danielle Copeman – Head of Woodlea Campus and Mrs Sarah Hunter – Deputy Head of Woodlea Campus

Year 8 Captains 2023	
School Captains	Rakshita Vij Surya Sureshkumar Tanish Krishna Geet Mata
School Vice-Captains	Tehmina Jazeel Nijamudeen Amica Makkar
STEM Captains	Ahana Tomar Yuv Mehta
Sport Captains	Abigail Pellow Ajneya Jain
Wellbeing Captains	Sheeza Riaz Isaiah Logan
Visual and Performing Arts Captains	Riddhee Sharma Pahal Pahal Avni Sachdeva
SRC Captains	Nehchaldeep Kaur Bhullar Aarya Sahu
Community Service Captains	Kushpreet Kaur Daon Lee
Languages Captains	Aahona Dhanani Kamalahasani Sriganesh
Literacy Captains	Muskaan Mann Yashita Garg
Bacchus House Captains	Prabhnoor Kaur Ayan Agastya Tripathy
Braeside House Captains	Naisha Guraja Ayaan Ahmed
Hilton House Captains	Michael Patamisi Haneesh Dutta Tiger Castillo
Pentland House Captains	Alisha Sehdev Nihal Pinto Hriday Singh

Year 6 Leaders 2023	
STEM Leaders	Hardeep Kaur Khangura Sehraj Singh
Sport Leaders	Navdeesh Bains Aarav Jalpota Imaanpreet Toor
Wellbeing Leaders	Tulip Joshi Aashi Nair
Visual and Performing Arts Leaders	Amanat Dhillon Kaela Funston Samarah Hussein Joshya Pallapothula
SRC Leaders	Ellie Castillo Akshay Satish Atharv Jindal Eliana Dimitrievski
Community Service Leaders	Nirvi Ananya Praharaju Karas Zakhary
Languages Leaders	Josheen Goraya Navrose Pabla
Literacy Leaders	Sehaj Mata Sapphire Patel
Bacchus House Leaders	Anahita Anand Jasleen Dhaliwal
Braeside House Leaders	Deshanda Aragon Samaira Walia
Hilton House Leaders	Vanshika Singh Mahi Thakkar
Pentland House Leaders	Amber Screen Hrishaan Upneja

The Maddingley Middle School leadership process remains in progress. An update will be published next week.

## Music Department

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### Student Success

Congratulations to the following student for their recent examination success:

Student Name	Section	Result
Scott Cremona	AMEB Rockschoo – Grade 5 Drums	Honours

Students who participate in instrument/voice lessons or other Performing Arts programs outside of Bacchus Marsh Grammar are also encouraged to forward any examination or competition results for acknowledgement in future newsletters: [music@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:music@bmg.vic.edu.au)

### Maddingley Campus – House Performing Arts and Instrumental Concert Series

Following three stellar musical productions and our recent Annual Showcase, last week saw seven concerts in the one week, with over 150 students signing-up to perform in either or both House Performing Arts and the Middle and Senior School Instrumental Concert Series.

Congratulations to all performers and a warm thank you to our Performing Arts teachers for their efforts to prepare our young performers, to Maintenance and Administration for their work behind the scenes, to House Leaders and the wider staff for accommodating the events and assisting with logistics and correspondence and, in particular, families who made the effort to attend in support.

**Mr Steven Bell - Head of Faculty: Music & Performing Arts**

## Junior School News

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### Woodlea Incursion

Incursions and Excursions are an invaluable way for our students to immerse themselves and apply their knowledge in authentic and culturally rich learning environments. These experiences provide students with an opportunity to cement their understandings and strengthen their ability to transfer their skills in multiple contexts. Recently, our Year 1 students plunged into a day full of dancing and explored the rich traditions of various cultures around the world. The incursion allowed students to dress up in traditional clothes, learn about the different continents' traditional dances and how these are used to communicate cultural diversity. Our Year 1 students engaged enthusiastically with the staff and one another, consistently demonstrating our school value of respect.

**Mrs Sally Savic – Head of Junior School: Woodlea  
& Ms Courtney Williams – Deputy Head of Junior School: Woodlea**



## Spotlight on Woodlea Year 4

Throughout the term, the Year 4 students have explored the genre of Narrative Writing. Using mentor texts as tools to analyse the genre's text structures and features, students have immersed themselves in literary features such as alliteration and personalisation to engage and entertain their intended audience. The students effectively navigated



their way through the writing process, thoroughly planning, drafting, editing and revising their pieces, and taking their pieces through to the publishing phase. Students used multimodal techniques to turn their writing into short texts and shared these with our wider school community. Students built on their ability to critically reflect on their writing techniques and continue to thrive as young authors. Here are some examples of our sizzling starts and a sneak peek at our Authors' Wall.

**Woodlea Year 4 Team**

## Spotlight on Maddingley Year 1

On Friday 11 November, the Year 1 students travelled to Anglesea for their day camp. On arrival, they were met by a team from the YMCA who had a series of different rotations available for students to explore during our beach carnival. These activities included building sandcastles, the flag race, bucket filling relays, human quoits, comet target throwing, blindfolded directions and buried treasure. Students enjoyed getting sand between their toes and exploring all things beach related. Even though we had a little rain, the students thrived in the environment and it was a great opportunity to continue their learning and team building in an outside environment.

In Literacy, students have enjoyed reading and learning about Fairytales. Students have been developing their skills in comparing and contrasting, text structure, making connections and looking at the common traits of a fairytale. Students have continued to expand their vocabulary and are now including these new words in their everyday writing and oral language.

It has been great to see all the Year 1 students grow and expand their knowledge as the year has progressed. They have shown a great interest in their learning and were engaged in all learning experiences.

**Maddingley Year 1 Team**



## Spotlight on Maddingley Prep



This term in History and Geography, the Preps have been learning all about the first people of Australia. We learnt about the Indigenous flag and what each colour represents - black for the people, red for the land and yellow for the sun. The sun is important to the Indigenous people because it is their protector. We used collage to make our own Indigenous flags and wrote about why the flag is important. As a class, we made our own acknowledgement of country to show our respect to the Indigenous people of the Wathaurong

tribe, as it is their land on which our school is located. We also learnt the difference between acknowledgement of country and welcome to country. The students discovered the different foods eaten by Indigenous people (also known as bush tucker), such as honey ants and witchetty grubs. Additionally, we learnt about the different tools the Indigenous people used such as boomerangs, woomera and message sticks.

**Maddingley Prep Team**

## Events Calendar

Dates for upcoming events/excursions and day camps can be viewed via the events calendar on the [school's website](#).

## Bacchus Marsh Grammar On Campus Uniform Shop

**Phone Orders – 5367 4072**

Uniform information and shop business hours are listed on the [school's website](#).

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School Website: [www.bmg.vic.edu.au](http://www.bmg.vic.edu.au)



Bacchus Marsh Grammar  
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presents:

# FOOD TRAIN

## NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS

- Canned food (beans, veggies, soup, fish etc)
- Tin/glass sauce (pasta etc)
- Dried food (fruit, pasta, rice, soup sachets, etc)
- Spreads (Vegemite, peanut butter, etc)

Please donate food that :

- Is not past or close to its expiration date
- Is unopened
- Has ingredients/allergens listed

Items can be taken to either  
**ADMINISTRATION OFFICE** by the  
**Friday 2nd of December.**