

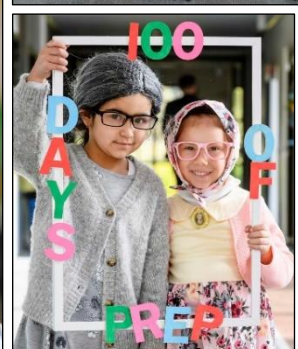
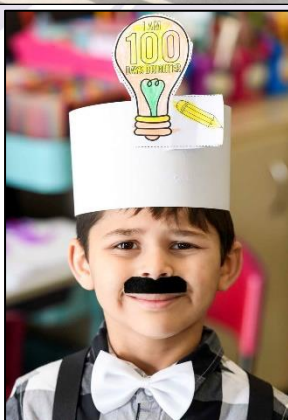
## 100 Days of Prep



Last week both Maddingley and Woodlea celebrated their Preps achieving 100 days of school. This was an exciting opportunity for the students to dress up and reflect on what they have learnt these last 100 days. The Woodlea Preps had a thrilling day, skip counting by 10s to 100, writing about what they might buy with \$100 and thinking about what they might be doing as 100 Year Olds. Some students thought they might go on a holiday with their \$100 whilst others felt they could purchase a golden Lamborghini. The excitement was palpable as each student walked in with a huge smile on their face. The Maddingley Preps celebrated being super learners and reflected on how much they

have learnt this year at Bacchus Marsh Grammar. The children were asked to describe and write what skills they have learnt to make them a super learner and in Maths they focused on the number one hundred and created a superhero poster that contained one hundred objects on it. Masks were made to enhance their super learning abilities and lots of fun was had as all the Preps had a picnic together at snack time. Congratulations to all our Preps on this milestone. To see some more photos, please head over to our Family Engagement Page or check out the displays in your child's classroom.

### Maddingley and Woodlea Prep Teams



## Woodlea Student Magazine

Since Week 7 of Term Two, Woodlea students in Years 5 – 9 have been working diligently towards producing the first edition of the student magazine, the 'Woodlea Spotlight'. Students have been working in different teams – Creative, Writing, Editing and Design Teams, under the direction of Editor-in-chief – Tanish Krishna. Tanish also spoke at Year 5-9 assembly to introduce the magazine to students. A competition was held for the design of the front cover and several students submitted wonderful designs reflecting BMG. Congratulations to Quinn Heywood who designed the front cover. It is pleasing to see such dedication from students on the committee and exciting to see such a professional finished product. Congratulations to all students involved.

Link: [Woodlea Spotlight Edition 1](#)

**Mrs Nicole Heywood**



## Junior School News

Firstly, a huge thank you to parents for taking the time out to attend Parent/Teacher Interviews at each campus. We absolutely value the partnership we have with you to support the learning and wellbeing of your children.

Across the Junior School at both Woodlea and Maddingley campuses, there is an enhanced focus on the expectations for the correct wearing of the school uniform. Wearing of the school uniform is compulsory for all students, and students should take pride in wearing the uniform and belonging to Bacchus Marsh Grammar.

Currently in Term 3, the full school uniform must be worn correctly to and from school. The only exception is in Term 3 when the forecast is above 25°C, students may choose to wear their summer uniform for that day. No element of the summer uniform is to be worn when full school uniform is required (shorts are not to be worn with the long sleeve shirt or vice versa).

Full school uniform includes the wearing of a tie (both girls and boys) or bow tie (girls). Teachers will be checking daily for ties and will write a note in the diary when a tie is not worn. Black leather school shoes are also an expectation with both full school and summer uniform. There will be further specific communication regarding appropriate school shoes so that your next purchase complies. Black runners are not acceptable school shoes. You can find the full school uniform and appearance expectations on page 10 of the school diary.

Thank you for your commitment as parents to supporting your children to take pride in their appearance and school uniform.

**Mrs Lisa Foster – Head of Junior School: Maddingley  
& Mrs Sally Savic – Head of Junior School: Woodlea**



## Spotlight on Woodlea Prep - Staughton Vale

The Woodlea Preps made their way to Staughton Vale for our Term 3 visit. Whilst there, we saw our Prep Woodlea 2023 tree which had grown since Term 1. The students were fortunate enough to catch a glimpse of some kangaroos and went through the lemon orchards and picked a lemon each. Each class was split into three groups and had the fantastic opportunity of collaborating with a range of new peers. They participated in games such as soccer and egg and spoon races. They also created tall rock towers then decorated these with chalk. A highlight for the Preps was creating a living thing collage using sticks, rocks and grass from the environment.



The Preps should all be commended on their participation and active listening throughout the day.

Woodlea Prep Team

## Woodlea Year 3 - MAV

On Friday 4 August, two teams of Year 3 students from BMG Woodlea had a special opportunity to join the Mathematics Games Day organised by the Mathematical Association of Victoria (MAV) at Derrimut Primary School. The teams participated in a day filled with exciting Maths challenges. These included problem-solving puzzles, quick-thinking Maths relays, and clever strategic board games that aimed to boost their Maths skills while having fun.

As the event unfolded, teams earned points for taking part actively and solving problems impressively. Team One, made up of Adi (3WD), Jack (3WD), Divjot (3WD), and Aarohan (3WB), finished in first place. Team Two, with Noah (3WA), Anhad (3WB), Joydeep (3WB), and Aqeil Mohamed (3WA), worked hard, earning praise for scoring more than 100 points for their accurate answers.

A big congratulations to our Year 3 students; their teamwork and determination are to be commended.



Ms Angela Tilley

## Early Learning Centre, Woodlea

Expressions of Interest for **2025** 4 year old and 3 year old integrated Kindergarten program will be **closing shortly**.

If any current families are interested in registering their child for one of our **2025 Kindergarten programs**, please visit the [school's website](#) to complete our Registration of Interest and email it to the Early Learning Centre on the email address noted on the form.

Please note that you must complete a Prep Registration of Interest prior to submitting the ELC form.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me on 5366 4999.

**Mrs Kerry Osborn - Director of Early Learning Services**



## Literacy Week - 28 August to 1 September



Literacy Week is fast approaching and we are positively bursting to celebrate reading and literacy in all its glory here at Bacchus Marsh Grammar! Literacy is, of course, a strong focus for us all year round, but it will be fabulous to spend the week shining and extra special spotlight on the many wonderful ways in which reading can enhance the lives of our students.

We have some amazing guest speakers joining us to inspire our Prep to 6 students to embrace literacy and follow their dreams. These speakers are always well-received and highly anticipated by our students.

There will be opportunities to participate in fun activities across the sub-schools – some individual, some in teams, but all engaging and fun.

**Literacy Dress Up Day will take place on:**

**Woodlea : Monday 28 August**

**Maddingley : Friday 1 September**

The theme this year is “Read, Grow, Inspire”, which pretty much means the options are endless. We can’t wait to see the students all dressed up and enjoy the excitement of the day either remotely or onsite. Remember, there is absolutely no need to spend money on a costume – ask children to get creative with what they have at home.

We can’t wait to share this week with our wonderful students.

**Mrs Kelly Dilges - Assistant Principal: Director of Literacy Education and Development**

## Space Cadet Extraordinaire

**Surya Sureshkumar** has been offered a prestigious scholarship for the RMIT Young Astronaut Program. The RMIT Space Industry Hub, in collaboration with the One Giant Leap Australia Foundation, has recognised Surya's passion for space exploration and granted him this remarkable opportunity.



The program, scheduled from the 11 to 15 September 2023, promises to be an unforgettable adventure into the wonders of space and science. Surya was one of thirty-two students selected to be a part of a group of Year 7 and 8 young space enthusiasts for a week filled with hands-on activities, space simulations and encounters with experts in the field.

As Surya embarks on this journey, we wish him the best of luck and can't wait to hear all about his experiences. Congratulations, Surya, on this incredible achievement!

**Mrs Samantha Grant - Head of Year 8: Woodlea**

## Zonta Club International has come to Bacchus Marsh Grammar



Zonta International is an international service organisation with the mission of "Building a Better World for Women and Girls" with a focus on promoting gender equality and inclusion. There are thousands of Zonta Student Clubs scattered around the globe, with the BMZ club being the first established within the Bacchus Marsh area. We are sponsored by the Zonta Club of Melton who attend our club regularly to support us on our Zonta journey. With this amazing support, we as a community at Bacchus Marsh Grammar are able to bring light and help make a difference to the issues still prevalent in the world.

Recently, the BMZ Club had our inaugural charter ceremony, inducting us as official Zonta Club members and accepting club charter and responsibilities. The following students were inducted into the BMZ Club: Jasleen M (President), Aliza K (V.President), Gizelle K (Secretary), Suhavi C (A.Secretary), Pravallika T (Treasurer), Aashi V (A. Treasurer), Emily M (Media Manager), Samaira B (A. Media Manager), Madeline C, Lauren A, Izzy O, Annalise M, Shannen W, Parnika M, Aleena A, Eden B, Myra B, Isabelle H, Deeptha G, Aaria P, Saanvi V, Nitya A, Maya K, Memphis M, Meghana K, Camellia Y.

Since the ceremony we have had many students wishing to join the BMZ Club so we will be holding another induction ceremony in the near future. It has been amazing to see the interest of students in supporting equality and inclusion.

As part of our ceremony, we had the honour of hosting members from the Zonta Club of Melton, as well as guest speakers, Zonta International ex-President, Ms Val Sara and Mr Andrew Neal. We want to offer our sincerest thank you to all the BMG staff who attended and special shout out to Mrs Ryder and Mrs Perconte who had the huge job of running logistics.

We hope to continue our strong connection with the Zonta of Melton Club and with their guidance, we are ready to take action and make change. The sky's the limit!

Please keep your eye on Schoolbox and the BMG Newsletter for our upcoming projects.

**BM Zonta Club President: Jasleen Minhas**

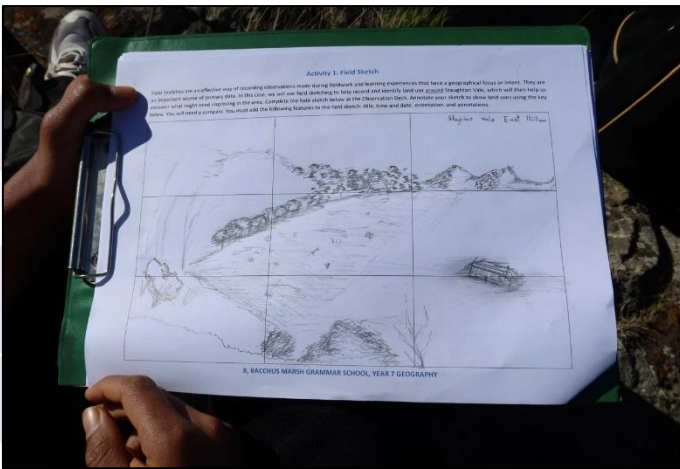


## Staughton Vale Campus Fieldwork: A Day of Learning and Creativity

### Year 7 Geography - Maddingley

Our Staughton Vale campus provided a picturesque backdrop for a day of hands-on fieldwork. The focus was on collecting primary data to investigate the question, 'How can the liveability of the Staughton Vale campus be enhanced?' Beyond data collection, students took their imaginations to task, suggesting practical additions to the campus that would enhance its appeal for various groups, including students and staff. This exercise not only demonstrated the students' creativity but also their ability to transfer essential knowledge to new contexts. Of course, the day was not just about academics. It was an opportunity for everyone to disconnect from screens and connect with nature and each other. Amid the peaceful surroundings, our students embraced their inner geographers, creating field sketches, sketching maps and taking decibel readings. We extend our gratitude to the Staughton Vale campus for hosting this enriching experience.

Miss Agata Kula



## Sport News

### Western Metropolitan Regional Netball Finals



BMG sent a team to the Western Metropolitan Regional Finals which were held at Geelong Sports Hub.

The team played 7 tough games of Netball throughout the day and represented the school magnificently. They won 4 out of their 7 matches, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> on the day. A huge congratulations to the whole team.

Mrs Michelle Elcoat

## Maddingley Inter House Activities

Over the coming weeks, students will be taking part in a range of Middle and Senior School Interhouse activities as part of the developing Co-curricular program. Kicking off the activities we will see Year 8s taking the Dodgeball Challenge in the gym. On a weekly basis, year groups will have their chance to become dodgeball champions of their respective grades.

Once all grades have participated in the Dodgeball Challenge, we will crown a winning House, before moving on to downball, benchball or footy island.

**Mr David Gorton - Director of Student Engagement / Head of Staughton Vale Campus**

## Maddingley House Cross Country

At the end of Term 2 and during their respective Middle School House Sport Program, students in Years 5 to 8 took part in a 2km and 3km cross country course at Masons Lane in Bacchus Marsh.

Earlier this term, Senior School students competed at the same venue over a longer course of 3km and 4km.

It was fantastic to see students across all year levels challenging themselves and competing for valuable points towards their House.

Congratulations to all Age Group Champions. A list of the top 8 winners can be viewed in full on [Schoolbox](#).

**Mrs Debra Ogston - Deputy Principal - Head of Maddingley Campus**

### Middle School Results

Champions	Girls	Boys
Year 5	Iyla Robinson	Hamish La Franchi
Year 6	Ruby Westhead	Jack Coy
Year 7	Anika Tran	Ethan Sayers
Year 8	Tilly Weir	Mitchell Shankland

### Overall House Results

OVERALL PLACINGS	HOUSE	TOTAL
1 <sup>st</sup>	BRAESIDE	989
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hilton	979
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pentland	925
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bacchus	859



### Senior School Results

Champion	Girls	Boys
Year 9	Mackenzie Estlick	Ethan Bloss
Year 10	Madelyn Hunter	Ben Bowler
Year 11	Pravallika Tripurana	Nicholas Cassar
Year 12	Indi Stanley	Thomas Bens

### Overall House Results

OVERALL PLACINGS	HOUSE	TOTAL
1 <sup>st</sup>	BACCHUS	1032
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pentland	1030
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hilton	837
4 <sup>th</sup>	Braeside	708





## Rowing Club launches at the Grammar

It was great to see so many students take on the challenge of the 500m time trial this week. Following the purchase of three state of the art rowing machines, students had the opportunity to put themselves to the test at lunchtime.

With the rowing club scheduled for Tuesday lunchtimes every week, students will now have the opportunity to grade themselves against their friends at the School, and against competitors at a National and International level. The club aims to get onto the water in 2024.

**Mr David Gorton - Director of Student Engagement / Head of Staughton Vale Campus**

## Outdoor and Environmental Studies News

On 3 August the Unit 1 and 2 Outdoor and Environmental studies classes went on their Alpine Expedition Camp to Mt Buller. Their journey started at the Yea wetlands where students went out into the field and conducted scientific tests to assess the health of the environment by testing the water quality, air quality, soil quality, biodiversity and level of pests in the area. Students also took part in an educational talk about the water ways and environmental impacts by the staff at the Yea Wetlands Discovery Centre. The next day, students headed up to the slopes at Mt Buller where they had a lesson on Snowboarding. Students were able to enjoy some time with their friends on the slopes before heading back a little early, thanks to a storm that was brewing. After learning many skills associated with Snowboarding and putting their knowledge of healthy environments into play students had a successful and enjoyable time in the Alpine National Park.

**Miss Chloe Tabone - VCE Outdoor and Environmental Studies Teacher**



## Book Fair

### Farewell to our Book Fair!

Our Book Fair across both campuses has now departed. It was so good to see our students attend the 'Book Looks' with such joyful enthusiasm.

Thank you to all the BMG families who supported our Fairs.

We are currently putting together all the orders and will be working to distribute them to our students over the next couple of weeks.

**PLEASE NOTE: Ordering via QKR ends Friday 11 August.**

**Mrs Diane Dunn (Maddingley Book Fair Coordinator)  
& Mrs Feona West (Woodlea Book Fair Coordinator)**



## The Premier's Reading Challenge is open to all students from Prep to Year 12



All P-2 classes at Bacchus Marsh Grammar will do the Challenge together as a class. Students in Years 3-6 must read 15 books to meet the Challenge. Two-thirds of the books for all students need to be from the 2023 Challenge booklist.

Logon details have been provided to Year 3-8 students. Year 9-12 students who wish to complete the Challenge should email Mrs West at [westf@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:westf@bmg.vic.edu.au) for their details.

The Challenge ends on **8 September 2023**.

Students who complete the Challenge must advise Mrs West either via an email from a parent or a signed printout of their completed Challenge list. The entry will then be verified.

Students who have recently completed the Challenge:

**Jimmy Kent 3A, Japnoor Gill 4C, Aavya Bhatia 5C, Audrey Newman 6A**

**Mrs Feona West : Teacher-Librarian**

## 2023 ICAS Assessments – Campus and Session Time Selection

For those students attending ICAS assessments on the upcoming dates (12th - ENGLISH, 19th - SCIENCE and 26th - MATHS), you must remember to bring:

- Charged Chromebook - Students sitting assessments in Years 5 to 10 must bring their school chromebook charged ready to complete the online assessment. Students in Years 2 to 4 will be allocated a school chromebook upon check-in for use during their subject assessment.
- BMG Student ID Card - for identification purposes and assistance with the check-in process.
- Water bottle.
- A book to read should you complete your assessment early.

If you have forgotten what session time you selected, ask your parents to refer back to the Edsmart slip from 3 August. Sessions are at 9.00am, 10.00am or 11.00am. Arrive 10mins prior please. Assessments must start on time.

For those attending Maddingley - enter via the Gatehouse/Main Car Park. For Woodlea - enter via Timbertop Pde and go to the Hall for check in.

Contact is via email only - [administration@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:administration@bmg.vic.edu.au)

**Mrs Casey Ryder – Executive Assistant: Maddingley**

## Bus News

### PRIVATE BUS TRAVEL 2024

We are currently rolling over students from 2023 private bus travel to 2024.

If your child/ren's current bus travel arrangements are going to change or require to be changed (eg. moving house, will not require private bus travel) for 2024, please contact the School Bus Services Administrator on 5366 4800 or email [bus@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:bus@bmg.vic.edu.au) to discuss. If your child/ren will not require a private bus service in 2024 and parents do not advise us, your child/ren will be allocated to a private bus and fees will apply.

### ALLOCATED ROLL CALL STOPS

If you have changed your child/ren's stop at which they board or disembark as a permanent change, and have not notified the school, please contact the School Bus Services Administrator on 5366 4800 or email [bus@bmg.vic.edu.au](mailto:bus@bmg.vic.edu.au). This information needs to be up to date on roll call for emergency services and will assist in the planning for 2024 routes/timetables.

**Mrs Leanne Robertson - School Bus Services Administrator**

## 2024 Term Dates

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The 2024 Term Dates have been published on the [school's website](#).

## Events Calendar

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

## Uniform Shop

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Uniform information and shop business hours for both the Maddingley Campus Onsite Shop and Rushfords in Werribee are listed on the [school's website](#). Please note that uniforms can also be purchased online via <https://www.noone.com.au/>.

## Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) – The Y Ballarat

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The Y Ballarat operates the Out of School Hours Care at Bacchus Marsh Grammar.

Enrolments are completed online. For full information please visit the [school's website](#).

**Email:** [chrissie.ashmore@yballarat.org.au](mailto:chrissie.ashmore@yballarat.org.au) Phone: 0490 178 638 W: <https://yballarat.org.au/>

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# EXFORD PRIMARY CHARITY GALA

When: August 20th @ 6:00 pm


Where: Quin Auditorium  
Darnely st,  
Braybrook, Vic, 3019

Performances by: Jordan Barr MC/Comedian, Paul Rizzo as Michael Jackson, Fabio Cattafi as Tina Turner, Western Ballet Project, Robert Sturrocks Fulltime Dance, Sally's School of Performing Arts, Dance Effects, Phoenix Dance Company, The Dance Centre, Dream Entertainment Studios, Instyle Dance Company, The Dance Room, Concept Studios of Performing Arts, Energy Dance Co, Eyensbury Dance Scene & Galactic Dance.

A Once off dance charity event that brings together dance studios from all over The Western Suburbs.

100% of profits raised from ticket sales, merchandise, sponsorship etc go towards Exford Primary School

Tickets: \$42.50

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