

BMG NEWS

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Woodlea Easter Bonnet Parade

It was a lovely conclusion to Term 1 as our Prep, Year 1, and Year 2 students showcased their creative and colourful Easter Bonnets. The Year 4 leadership team did an excellent job leading the parade, offering insights into the many symbols associated with Easter for our students and families. We extend our thanks to our parent community for supporting this beautiful tradition at BMG, which allows our students to practise the values of confidence and respect. [Click here](#) to see all photos from the Woodlea Easter Bonnet Parade.

Mrs Sally Savic – Head of Junior School: Woodlea



Administration

School Photos

All students will have official School photographs taken throughout the scheduled School photo days. The photos will include individual student and School Class Group photographs. Sibling photos will not be taken during the scheduled School photo days and we are working with Arthur Reed Photos to provide an opportunity for sibling photos later in Term 2. For more information, please refer to the EdSmart slip that has been sent this week.

School Photos are scheduled as below:

WOODLEA	
Monday 22 April	-School Leadership Team Photos from (8.45-11.00AM). -Year 6WA, 6WB & 6WC. -Year 8WA, 8WB, 8WC, 8WD & 8WE. -Year 10WA & 10WB.
Tuesday 23 April	-Prep WA, Prep WB, Prep WC & Prep WD. -Year 3WA, 3WB, 3WC, 3WD & 3WE. -Year 4WA, 4WB, 4WC & 4WD. -Year 9WA, 9WB, 9WC & 9WD.
Wednesday 24 April	-Year 1WA, 1WB, 1WC & 1WD. -Year 2WA, 2WB, 2WC & 2WD. -Year 5WA, 5WB, 5WC & 5WD. -Year 7WA, 7WB, 7WC, 7WD & 7WE.

MADDINGLEY	
Monday 29 April	-Middle & Senior School Leadership Team Photos (8.45-11.00AM). -House Leadership Teams (9.15AM). -Year 6A, 6B, 6C & 6D. -Year 12A, 12B, 12C, 12D, 12E, 12F, 12G, 12H & 12I.
Tuesday 30 April	-Year 4 Leadership Team. -Year 4A, 4B, 4C & 4D. -Year 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D & 1E. -Year 7C, 7D & 7E. -Year 11A, 11B, 11C, 11D, 11F, 11G, 11H, 11I, 11J & 11K.
Wednesday 1 May	-Prep A, PB, PC, PD & PE. -Year 2A, 2B, 2C & 2D. -Year 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 8G, 8H & 8I. -Year 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D & 9E.
Thursday 2 May	-Year 5A, 5B, 5C & 5D. -Year 9F, 9G, 9H & 9I. -Year 10A, 10B, 10C, 10D, 10E, 10F, 10G, 10H, 10I, 10J & 10K.
Friday 3 May	-Year 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E & 3F. -Year 7A, 7B, 7F, 7G, 7H & 7I. -Year 11E.

Uniform

Students are required to wear their **Full Winter School uniform**. This includes jumpers, blazers and ties for students in Years 5 to 12, and jumpers and ties for students in Prep to Year 4. It is important that students are well-groomed and neatly presented, including hairstyles, to be in line with the School's uniform policy as outlined in the student diary. A timetable for School photo dates will be placed on Schoolbox when information is sent to parents.

Mrs Cathy Perconte

- Community Development and Events Coordinator

2024 & 2025 Term Dates

Both the 2024 and 2025 Term Dates are published on the [school's website](#).

Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) – Final Applications Due

This is applicable to families who hold a valid Centrelink pensioner concession or Health care card number (CRN).

If you are yet to return your CSEF form, please ensure this is returned to the Administration Office no later than 17 June 2024 to ensure ample time for your application to be processed. Further information and the CSEF application form can be downloaded from the [School's website](#).

Enquiries and soft copy forms should be directed to Sharon de Vries at accountsrec@bmg.vic.edu.au.

Junior School News

Maddingley Co-Curricular Program

Next week, the Junior School Maddingley campus will launch the 2024 lunchtime Co-Curricular program. The Co-Curricular program caters for all Junior School students by offering a diverse range of engaging and fun learning experiences that spark the students' passions and interests with their peers during lunchtime.

The program is structured in such a way as to provide two sections based on year levels.

Prep - Year 1 and Year 2 - Year 4 have the following timetable of activities:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Co-Curricular (Student selected)					
Prep - 4	Skip to the beat 8:30am Outside Wilson Hall Reading owls Library	Skip to the beat 8:30am Outside Wilson Hall Reading owls Library	Skip to the beat 8:30am Outside Wilson Hall	Skip to the beat 8:30am Outside Wilson Hall Reading owls Library	Skip to the beat 8:30am Outside Wilson Hall Reading owls Library
Prep – Year 1	Directed Drawing Room E2	Building Buddies Room E1	Fine Motor Fun Room E5		Intro to Japanese Room E3
Year 2 - 4	Readers Theatre Room X5	Writing Club Room S2	Chess Experience Room X3	AUSLAN Room S5	The Lab Rats Room R3
	Lego Masters Room X1	Sports Superstars WW Basketball Court	Maths Club Room S1		
	Art Club (3-4) Room W9		Yoga TBA		
Year 3 /4 Enrichment (Teacher selected)					
Year 3		Year 3 Chess Club Room S1	Year 3 Maths Explorer Room S5	The Art of Persuasion Room S3	Year 3/4 Astronomy Adventures Room S4
Year 4	The Art of Storytelling Room X3	Year 4 Chess Club Room X2	Year 3 Maths Explorer Room S2		

Please discuss with your child the opportunities available and encourage them to attend. Timetables will also be available on Schoolbox Family Engagement pages and in classrooms.

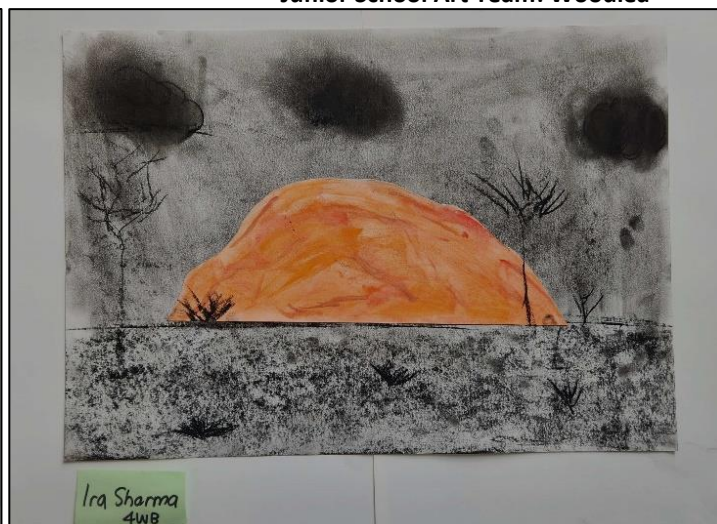
A special thank you to our dedicated Junior School staff for the planning and running of these activities during their lunch times, and sharing their experiences, knowledge, interests and passions with their students.

Mrs Lisa Foster – Head of Junior School: Maddingley

Woodlea Junior School Art

Our creative Year 4s have embarked upon an artistic journey of Uluru. Students used props to understand distance and scale whilst applying mixed media to their landscapes. Students used charcoal and water colour to emphasis the orange hues of Uluru.

Junior School Art Team: Woodlea



Maddingley Junior School Science

Year 2

Welcome back to another exciting Term 2 of Science for Year 2 Maddingley students. This term we will be delving in to discover how we get night and day. There are experiments galore to help us to understand how the Earth rotates on its axis and revolves around the Sun, how shadows are made and change throughout the day, and how we can see the Moon at night and sometimes even during the day too! We will also explore the phases of the Moon and conclude the semester with an Astronomy Incursion in Week 10. We are all very excited for the Term ahead!

Year 3

The Year 3 Maddingley students will love learning about the shaping of our Earth in our Term 2 Earth and Space Sciences unit! We will be exploring how the Earth came to be and the layers of our Earth by making accurate models of each. Then we dive into the idea of the supercontinent called Pangea and how plate tectonics work. From there on, we have a great basis upon which to explore various natural hazards that shape the Earth such as earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions, weathering and erosion. The term is packed full with investigations and experiments to explore these concepts on a measurable scale. We will also investigate erosion in real life when we visit Staughton Vale Campus later in the term. We look forward to a learning-filled Term 2 ahead!

Year 4

This term, our Year 4 students are on an exciting journey to explore weather and climate. They'll delve into the water cycle, the connections our First Nations people have to water, and the science behind weather phenomena like evaporation, condensation, clouds and precipitation. They'll learn how weather predictions are made, discover where rainwater goes underground (infiltration) and explore the power of wind and its impact on our world. We'll also discuss extreme weather events and how to be prepared for them. It promises to be a wet and wild term filled with weather exploration!

Junior School Science Team: Maddingley

Maddingley Junior School Swimming Update

Freddy Carroll has demonstrated exceptional talent and dedication in swimming by achieving remarkable results in school swimming events this semester.

During the Bacchus Marsh Grammar Swimming Trials, Freddy's performance earned him first place in Butterfly, Backstroke and Freestyle; this showcased his versatility across multiple swimming strokes.

These achievements qualified Freddy to represent Bacchus Marsh Grammar in the District Competition where he came first in Backstroke and Butterfly.

Freddy set a Western Ranges Division record of 1:09:35 for Butterfly. His results here qualified him to compete in swimming events at the regional level.

Representing the Western Ranges in the Regional Competition, Freddy swam brilliantly. He achieved a Backstroke personal record and finished eleventh overall. In Butterfly, Freddy finished in fifth place overall with a time of 1:03.47 which was almost six seconds faster than the previous Divisional record, and another personal best.

What an amazing achievement Freddy! We wish you all the best in future competitions.

Mrs Erin Bullen – Junior School PE and Sport: Maddingley



Woodlea Middle and Senior School News

Welcome Back to Term 2; we hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday break.

Term 2 will be a busy term in relation to learning, assessments and end of semester examinations, as well as whole school events including International Week, Cross Country and Athletics. There are also sub-school and year level events such as Staughton Vale days and INSPIRE days. Our co-curricular clubs and activities will recommence on Monday 22 April.

We extend a warm welcome to our new staff member, Claire Le Lievre, who is joining the PE Faculty. We are also pleased to welcome back returning staff members Alanna Kappler, Natalie Cook and Elyse Long.

We are thrilled to welcome new students and their families to the BMG community in Term 2. A reminder to all Middle and Senior School families that your child's Tutor Group teacher can be contacted to discuss any academic or wellbeing issues. The Head of Year team and sub-school Heads also welcome contact via phone or email – details listed on [Schoolbox](#).

We wish you all a successful Term 2.

**Mrs Sarah Hunter – Deputy Principal – Head of Middle Schooling &
Mrs Nicole Heywood – Head of Senior School: Woodlea**

Year 9 Inspire Day

On Wednesday 27 March, our resilient Year 9 Woodlea students embarked on a journey to Altona Beach as part of their INSPIRE Day. Despite the chilly weather, our students showcased their determination and enthusiasm, actively participating in various activities centred on surf lifesaving.

In addition to the beach related activities, our students also engaged in beach games and took part in an initiative for Clean Up Australia Day by tidying up the local park and community areas. We are proud to announce that the efforts of our students did not go unnoticed. A member of the public recognised and appreciated their efforts which reflect the values of our school community. I commend the Year 9s for their commitment to making a difference to the local community.

Well done, Year 9 Woodlea students for your efforts and for embodying the spirit of community service.

Mrs Samantha Grant - Head of Year 9: Woodlea

Music News



On Good Friday, 29 March, Moorafun Inc., a not-for-profit organisation, hosted the Bacchus Marsh Easter Fest at Maddingley Park. This all-day event united the community to support and raise funds for the Bacchus Marsh Hospital's Urgent Care Department. Attendees enjoyed a range of activities including market stalls, food vans, and thrilling rides, alongside the festive Easter Bonnet Parade and Egg Hunts.

A standout moment was provided by our talented Year 10 students known as the Harmonic Minors. With **Chloe Lang** and **Connie Degnen** on vocals, **Kieran Hickcox** and **William Prismall** on guitars, **Noah Carver** on bass, and **Harry Peterken** on

drums, the band delivered an eclectic and captivating 30-minute set, much to the delight of the enthusiastic crowd.

The performance not only showcased their impressive musical talents, but also contributed to the event's charitable cause. A huge thank you to the students who performed on the day, and to the students, staff, parents and families who came along to support and participate in this celebration of community spirit.

Mr Troy Westgarth - Deputy Head of Faculty: Music and Performing Arts



Woodlea Performances at Assembly



In Week 9, during the final Middle/Senior school assembly for Term 1, we celebrated the musical acumen of Parini Modi who played a beautiful arrangement of 'Here, there and everywhere' by the Beatles on the piano, and Saveer Randhawa who performed, with gusto and flair, 'Attention' by Charlie Puth on the Drum Kit.

Both performers are active participants in the Music & Performing Arts program at Woodlea, display skills beyond their years, and have a tenacity to perform and embrace the wonderful opportunities on offer at the campus.

We look forward to supporting Parini and Saveer as they prepare for their upcoming performances at the Middle/Senior School Winter Soiree on 30 May.

Ms Suzanne Kinsella - Head of Music Prep to Year 9

Maddingley Chess News

On Wednesday 17 April, sixteen students from BMG Maddingley competed in the Northern Star Kryal Castle Shield Chess Tournament. This tournament involved nineteen schools from across Victoria. Students played seven games over the day in a round-robin format.

Bacchus Marsh Grammar finished in 4th place overall. All students played well, showed great sportsmanship and represented the school with pride. The notable performances from the event were Jisha Nandi who received a Bronze medal for the Year 7 category, as well as Kareem Adam, Ben Bermingham, Kaustubh Sripada, Joshua Pittard and Lachlan Hunter who earned Distinction certificates for their performances (scoring above 5 points). These students, as well as Micah So, qualified for the State Championship Tournament to be held by Northern Star Chess in Term 4.

Well done to all students who participated and to Mrs Richards for assisting on the day.

Mr Joshua Minto – Maddingley Chess Coordinator

Physical Education, Health and Sport News

Welcome back for Term 2. Here is a snapshot of what's in store for PE and Health this term.

House Athletics and Cross Country will be held early in Term 2 and provide an opportunity for students to represent their Houses, earn valuable House points and attempt to qualify for the BMG interschool teams.

BMPSSA	ICCES	ACS
<i>Year 3 to 6</i>	<i>Year 7 to 12</i>	<i>Year 7 to 12</i>
BMPSSA - Athletics Wednesday 24 April	ICCES Athletics - Thursday 9 May	ACS Athletics - Monday 20 May.
BMPSSA - Cross Country Thursday 9 May		

Physical Education, Health and Sport News continued...

Maddingley Elephant Ed Health Workshops will be running for our Middle School students. The workshops provide an opportunity to empower our young people to make informed, positive and safe decisions about sexual health, relationships and growing up.

Monday 13 May

Year 5: Puberty/Embracing Change

Year 7: Body Safety

Monday 20 May

Year 6: Respectful relationships/Body image

Year 8: Social Media/Language & Labelling

VCE PE/HHD After-school classes will continue on Thursday afternoons in Q1 to assist students undertaking VCE PE and HHD.

ICCES Winter Tour training will commence early in Term 2 for students who signed up for the ICCES Winter Tour. The training sessions are to prepare the teams for the competition in Shepparton to be held on the last two days of this term.

Co-curricular activities: Students are encouraged to check Schoolbox regularly for updates to regular sporting opportunities in our sporting clubs and co-curricular program.

Mr Bryce Durham – Head of Faculty: Physical Education and Health

Woodlea Student Representative Council (SRC)

In Term 1, students in the SRC worked to organise another successful Easter Raffle for the Royal Children's Good Friday Appeal. Students assisted in putting together the raffle books and diary information for families. They also gave presentations to their Tutor Group and younger year levels on the important research conducted to cure childhood disease, the world class facilities, and the wonderful care the hospital provides for the young people of Victoria. The SRC students led by example by bringing donations in for the Easter basket prizes and encouraged others to also give generously.

At Woodlea, we also had an Easter themed colouring competition for the junior students. We would like to congratulate the following winners: Kosheen Pardes 7WC, Amaaya Sawhney 6WA, Asrat Kaur 5WC, Aralyn Xie 4WA, Riona Patel 3WB, Jaiveer Singh 2WC, Amaira Sahdev 1WD, Ishaan Menghani PWA.

The SRC students and the entire Bacchus Marsh Grammar community extend their gratitude to the students and families who bought raffle tickets and generously donated Easter gifts to the raffle. We would also like to extend a big thank you to Mrs Cathy Perconte who put the hampers together. The raffle would not be possible without these contributions.

We would like to congratulate the following winners!

Madden Sullivan 1WC	Kabir Yadav 3WE	Simrit Kaur Basra 7WB
Aryan Bilimoria 1WC	Charlotte Pellow 7WE	Zara Ristoski 6WB
Reanna Ajrawat PWC	Nihaan Kamdar 2WB	Shanaya Bathlar 5WD
Ayla Senyuvali 3WC	Ayla D'Orazio 3WA	Arwan Dhillon PWB
Avleen Aulakh 2WD	Amber Screen 7WB	Varneet Bedi 1WB
Aarav Jhangiani 8WE	Lathika Unnikrishnan 5WB	Noah Dixon 4WD
Kushpreet Kaur 9WB	Kyna Patel PWB	Tejay Gorla PWB
Adhrit Gandra 5WA	Saurya Kaushal 6WC	Nihaal Dhaliwal 2WD
Parjaap Dhaliwal 5WC	Lily Harrison 4WD	Georgette Papadopoulos PWA
Sophia Naguit 3WA		

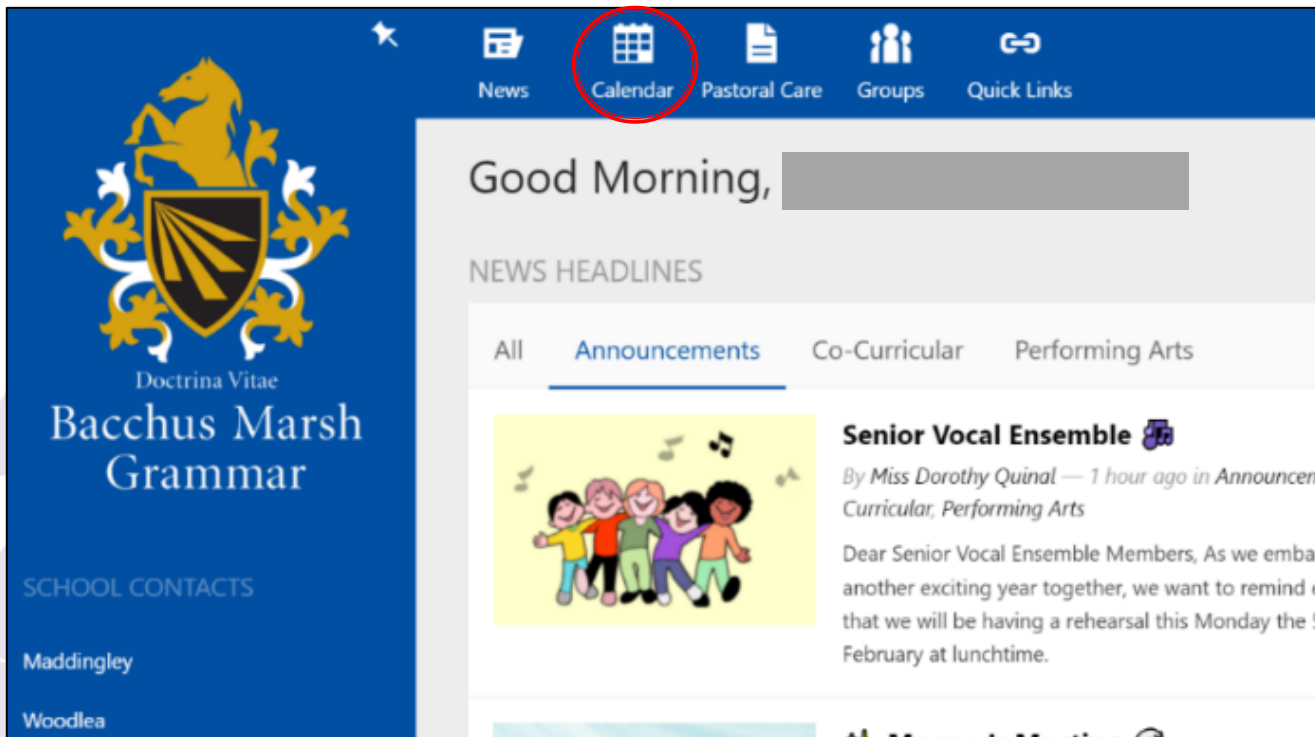
At Woodlea we raised over \$2000 for the Royal Children's Hospital! We hope that this money can contribute to the ongoing care that the hospital provides to all in our community.

The SRC looks forward to engaging in more fundraising for our community in Term 2.

Mrs Lee Tadic and Mr Dean Taravillo - SRC Coordinators

Events Calendar

We wish to inform our School Community that previous listing of upcoming events on the **Events Calendar via the school's website will gradually** cease, with all upcoming events featuring on the Schoolbox Calendar for both students and parents/guardians to view.



The screenshot shows the Bacchus Marsh Grammar website. The top navigation bar includes icons for News, Calendar (circled in red), Pastoral Care, Groups, and Quick Links. The main content area displays a 'Good Morning' greeting, 'NEWS HEADLINES', and a list of categories: All, Announcements, Co-Curricular, and Performing Arts. A featured article titled 'Senior Vocal Ensemble' is visible, with a sub-headline 'By Miss Dorothy Quinal — 1 hour ago in Announcements, Curricular, Performing Arts' and a brief message to members about a rehearsal on Monday the 5th of February.

Uniform Shop

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

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](#).

Prep to Year 6 - Y Ballarat OSHC on 3 May 2024

A message from the Y Ballarat to Maddingley and Woodlea families:

The Y OSHC Management team wish to advise the closure of all OSHC programs on Friday 3 May 2024.

This will include all Before School Care and Afterschool Care programs. All our OSHC educators will be attending a full day of Professional Development training.

Normal sessions will resume on Monday 6 May 2024.

We thank you in advance for your support and understanding.

OSHC Management Team

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