



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Deputy Headmaster – Teaching and Learning

Steve Uscinski

Assessment tasks offer students a reality check. In completing assessment, students demonstrate more than skill acquisition or simple recall. To perform at their best, they must coordinate many different cognitive and physical capacities: self-regulation, discipline, extended focus and the ability to organise and manage one's resources. Students also need physical and mental stamina built through routine and habit. Resilience and the willingness to openly seek and act on feedback are also critical.

Next week students in Years 5, 7 and 9 will sit the annual National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). Our students are well-prepared — not because of drills or rote learning, but due to the quality of their learning experiences each day at BGS. We educate our students to be thinkers and to practise self-regulation, dispositions that ensure success in assessments of all kinds and at all stages of their lives.

It is important to state that NAPLAN test results are not an end in themselves and that Brisbane Grammar School does not support or endorse media publication of 'league tables' of comparative school performance. The aim of NAPLAN, according to national education body ACARA, is to provide information on how students are performing in the areas of literacy and numeracy and support improvements in teaching and learning. NAPLAN tests are one aspect of each school's assessment and reporting, and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance and progress. At BGS, we use the results NAPLAN generates to identify specific gaps in student knowledge and adjust our curriculum and teaching in response.

The team in the Studies Directorate (the Deans of Studies, Curriculum and Administration) work with me to manage the School's academic program. This team is currently rewriting the School's assessment policy. While we are confident our curriculum and wellbeing structures prepare our students for the challenges of assessment, particularly in the senior years, we work continually to refine and improve our processes. The new assessment policy will have a stronger focus on academic integrity across the School.

The Queensland Curriculum Assessment Authority has prioritised academic integrity in the new QCE-ATAR system, which replaces the OP system. Schools, teachers, parents, carers and all who support students in their learning, share responsibility for promoting academic responsibilities in an honest, moral and ethical way.

As we develop the policy, I will share our expectations around assessment with the Brisbane Grammar School community, and I encourage all parents to discuss and talk openly with your sons about the importance of academic integrity. Parents can emphasise the importance of applying ethical academic conduct and good scholarship, and avoiding plagiarism. This involves appropriate referencing in academic work, and acknowledging ownership of information, ideas and images. Just as completing assessment develops skills and resilience that will serve us well throughout our lives, we benefit from ethical conduct in our studies.

Captains' Corner

Upon entering Year 12, one's perspective on schooling life sometimes starts to take on a new dimension. With the long journey throughout Brisbane Grammar School at the nearing its end, one might begin to view events through the prism of finality. The last early morning sports training, the last Saturday out on the fields at Northgate, the last time you slave away for hours on an assignment the night before it's due. For almost all Year 12s, these lasts have not quite yet arrived, but as we draw closer to the year's end they will become impossible to avoid. We will reminisce on them likely with either fond, wistful nostalgia, relief that they are over, or some combination of the two.

I firmly believe that at some point, in one way or another, almost everyone student of this school will wish that they had better taken advantage of all of the opportunities that have been presented to us. One such last, as Mr Uscinski alluded to during Friday's assembly, looms in the coming week for Year 9. NAPLAN perhaps constitutes one of those 'lasts' that students will be more than glad to leave behind. In a broader sense, such tests can represent something more – it is one of the few occasions upon which a cohort will be united toward a collective academic goal. Sure, students might prepare collaboratively for a test or work together in class, but as assessment timetables and schedules diverge, opportunities for an en masse effort of comparable scale prove sparse.

Our current Year 12s, thanks to the pall of the distant QCS Test, are familiar with this notion. However, for better or worse, the balance of the student body will be spared this system, and the much-maligned NAPLAN test may be one of the last times student bodies will be judged as a cohort – from an academic standpoint at least. When viewed as an example of unity, of collective effort towards a common ideal, it is just one case of where students might find the principle that School Captain Nick Miller put forward at the start of the year in even the most unlikely of places: 'As One'. The shared experiences of collaboratively preparing and undertaking such a test help build the bonds and habits deeply ingrained in the School's rich academic tradition.

Collectives and individuals exist in a mutually beneficial relationship, or as Rudyard Kipling more eloquently put it, "the strength of the pack is the wolf, and the strength of the wolf is the pack." During my assembly address to students, I encouraged them to reflect on every opportunity the School offers them and value being part of a collective effort while it was still available, no matter how laborious it might seem at the time.

Tim Weber
School Vice Captain

Acting Deputy Headmaster – Students

Simon Conway

Outdoor Education has long held an important role in learning at Brisbane Grammar School. Old Boys often reflect fondly on their memories of Moogerah and the associated activities that took place there during their camp experiences. You may already be aware that the future of Outdoor Education at BGS will be shaped by the School's provision of a 400-acre site, consisting of two newly acquired pieces of land, that complements our existing facilities.

While the site has been utilised already for some camps this year, on Sunday 5 May an official naming ceremony saw the two properties renamed as one: 'Bitenbar'. This was a suggestion by local Indigenous Elder Ruth James, direct descendant of Ugarapul Elder Susan Banjoey. The name is listed in the Ugarapul-English dictionary as 'Bin-tin-bar' meaning 'part of Mt Alford', as well as in an Aboriginal language article in *The Queenslander* from 1934 as 'Bitenbar', meaning 'pillar box stone on Mt Alford'. Guests at the naming ceremony learned about the geological and Indigenous history of Bitenbar prior to participating in an Indigenous Welcome to Country on the site. A special thank you to our Advancement team, as well as the Outdoor Education team and all local stakeholders for helping put this special occasion together.

Bitenbar offers current and future students the opportunity to engage in exciting new aspects of an Outdoor Education curriculum. Furthermore, the School's sole ownership and use of the site will see students able to engage in bushcare and other ecological management projects that would not otherwise be possible.

It will be wonderful for future Old Boys to return to Bitenbar in years to come and see the legacy of their effort during their school years.



Director of Boarding

Berian Williams-Jones

This week has seen Harlin House hit the road by holding a BGS community event in Narrabri and attending the annual Goondiwindi Show.

It was our pleasure to host Rohana and Dilini Wanasinghe and their daughter Heli at the Tattersalls Hotel in Narrabri. Their son Chanula is currently in Year 9 and our journey to northern New South Wales highlighted the demands of travelling to and from Brisbane at the start and end of each term. It was also a delight to meet former boarder Will Penfold '09, and his parents Angus and Kate. Will currently lives in Moree and it was wonderful to reconnect with him, a decade after he left Harlin House.

This weekend we are traveling to Bundaberg for the Agrotrend farming and lifestyle show. We have strong connections in the region and look forward to meeting former, current and prospective families at both the show, and at the function at the Burnett Riverside Hotel on Friday evening.

This week has also seen us appoint Ms Monique de Haan (below) as our new fulltime Houseparent, following the departure of Ms Glynis Faucett and Ms Nicola Seddon. Ms de Haan has worked in Harlin House over the past few weeks covering absences and illnesses and we are confident in the qualities she will bring to the role. She will be our sole Houseparent, working both morning and evening shifts over the course of the week. I know that she is keen to build that all-important relationship with parents at home.



Director of Outdoor Education

Derek Jervis

8F has been a standout class at Moogerah this week. The boys were able to demonstrate the components of teamwork and assist each other to achieve their goals of the week.

David Butler was a consistently positive and supportive group member and his peers recognised his contributions to the week. Jo Gehrmann and Kai Scott-Thompson contributed to the success of the class this week. They proved to be mature, hardworking and able to collaborate effectively with their peers.

Ryan Sokoll and Jacob Coburn were celebrated for showing commitment and persistence this week. Ned Johnston made some great contributions during the group initiative activities and along with Ryan Khan showed some great leadership potential during these tasks. Will Hill was a valuable team member able to collaborate on team tasks. His sense of humour kept the group upbeat and motivated during the expedition.

Year 12 Form Seniors Gabe Lamarre and Adam Taib set a great example for the Year 8 boys and were strong leaders throughout the program.

Mr Sam Lobascher joined the class for their expedition preparation on Monday evening. The boys studied the map to work out the details of their expedition and how to pack their expedition equipment in their canoes to cross Lake Moogerah.

Mr Casey Walker and Mr Haydn Murray joined the class for their bushwalking day on Mt Alford. The boys take on some navigation and decision making during the bushwalking day. The whole class chose to take on the optional challenge of continuing to the summit of Mt Alford to take in the views of the Great Dividing Range. Mr Walker then stayed with his class to finish the Moogerah program.

The new Outdoor Education property at Lake Moogerah was opened on Sunday 5 May. The property has been named 'Bitenbar', which is the local Indigenous name for the rock feature on the property. The site will complement the Pepperina Hill Centre and provide expedition campsites, bushwalking and rock climbing activities for BGS boys.

Click to view the [8F photos](#) and [8F video](#) of the boys' experiences.



Director of Student Services

Dale Nicholas

Information session – US college entry

US college entry continues to be an area of interest for students at BGS. To this end, we are offering our second information session of the year during lunch on Monday 13 May in the Seniors' Room. Ms Alice Schaf is an experienced US school counsellor and university admissions professional from Lexington, Kentucky. She will be providing an insider's perspective on the US college system, with a particular emphasis on how to approach college application letters and how to understand the system. Students from Years 9 to 12 are most welcome to attend.

Medicine course entry in 2020

This is an important reminder that registration for the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) closes Friday 17 May 2019.

The UCAT ANZ test has replaced the UMAT (Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test) for 2019. Students who are planning to apply to Medicine, Dentistry and Health Science courses commencing in 2020 at [Consortium universities](#) in Australia and New Zealand must sit the UCAT ANZ 2019 test in the month of July 2019. Full access to preparation materials is available [here](#).

Where do students register?

Registration and booking are open at the UCAT ANZ website and will close on **Friday 17 May 2019 at 11:59pm AEST** (Australian Eastern Standard Time). The UCAT ANZ is a two-hour, computer-based test, multiple choice test. Candidates will sit the test at Pearson VUE test centres located in Australia, New Zealand and some overseas centres. For information about where test centres are offered, see [Test Centre Locations](#) on the website. The UCAT ANZ is offered on a choice of dates throughout the month of July, rather than on one single date.

Unprofessional behaviour and academic integrity

UCAT expects candidates to meet minimum standards of acceptable behaviour during testing and during any interactions with the UCAT ANZ Consortium and Pearson VUE staff. Students must familiarise themselves with the Professional Examination Rules before the test. Where candidates fall short of these minimum standards, such incidents will be thoroughly investigated. Where such allegations of misconduct are upheld, UCAT reserves the right to take actions which may include withdrawal of test results, disqualification from sitting the test for a period in the future and the sharing of the outcomes of the investigation with legitimate third parties (which may include TACs and Consortium universities).

Examples of misconduct include:

- testing more than once in any test cycle
- attempting to take the UCAT ANZ in any year prior to the final year of secondary schooling
- breach of security arrangements
- impersonation
- failure to follow invigilator or other staff instructions
- creating a disturbance
- using prohibited aids (e.g. notes, note paper, calculators, mobile phone, audio/recording device etc.)
- copying another candidate's work
- giving or receiving assistance from another candidate during the test
- using the test questions, their content or information about them for purposes other than sitting the UCAT
- giving false or misleading information during the registration, booking and payment processes
- giving false or misleading information during the complaints and appeals processes
- giving false or misleading information relating to test results during admissions processes

Students should also note the very strict requirement for identification on page 29 of the full handbook available [here](#).

Director of Student Wellbeing Programs

Philippa Douglas

Leadership and community

Throughout the term, boys in Year 8 have been participating in the Leading our Legacy seminars facilitated by Peer Power. Supported by the School's values of leadership and community, the seminar highlights the unique personality profile and leadership potential of every individual. Students are encouraged to respect diversity and develop ways to foster inclusivity when working with others. Practical strategies, such as learning name recall techniques and exploring the interests of others through face to face conversation, offered students tangible ways of developing their interpersonal and leadership skills. Perhaps one of the most important messages students heard throughout the seminar was the value of people and relationships. By valuing people, both those we know and don't know, we create the foundation for a respectful and inclusive community.

Here's some of the boys' feedback:

The hands-on activities were very helpful because they let me practice the skills we were being taught directly. I'm going to use the skills I have learned in everyday conversations as practice for when I need them.

The most helpful part was learning more about people to create a connection. This will affect my behaviour by doing things when they are not here.

The most helpful part of the seminar was learning how to create deeper friendships.

The part I found the most helpful was learning how to make deeper friendships and learning about things I wouldn't necessarily find out about the person in regular conversation.

External writing competitions

A number of external writing competitions are available for keen writers to enter their work. In each year level's English course on MyClasses, we have created a list of competitions that are appropriate for their age group. For boys who are interested in writing short stories, poetry or non-fiction, there are specific categories to suit. Prizes vary between competitions.

Students can access more information by going to the 2019 Writing Competitions announcement in their English course.

Greg Howes
Head of English

Deputy Head – Co-Curriculum

Greg Thorne

GPS

The Great Public Schools' Association of Queensland (GPS), with its nine member schools, has provided competitive opportunities for boys at Brisbane Grammar School for over 100 years. At various points throughout its history, the GPS has evolved, rationalised and adapted, responding to changing needs and our local context.

The GPS experience my father enjoyed as a student was quite different to what my brothers and I enjoyed, and it continues to evolve to this day.

Importantly, the core purpose of the GPS has not changed. It still provides the opportunity for boys to represent their school in a wide variety of sporting and cultural pursuits throughout the year, while also affording the opportunity to demonstrate school spirit by supporting peers who are competing or performing.

Most GPS game days are organised so that the flagship team (First XI, First XV, etc.) plays last at the most prominent venue. This allows boys, families, Old Boys, staff and community members to share in the community spirit of supporting a team that represents the School at the highest level.

I ask parents to join with us in encouraging the boys to support their peers, at both home and away GPS fixtures throughout this term. Standing side by side with fellow students and supporting the team that represents their school is a part of the GPS experience that some boys are yet to enjoy.

Clubs

This week I accompanied Mr Smith and the members of the BGS Aviation Club on their tour of the QANTAS maintenance hangar at Brisbane Airport. This experience was an eye-opener for all involved and it came about through the generous support of one special BGS parent, who was also able to arrange for a captain and first officer to join us on the tour to answer any of the boys' questions. There were many, and each was diligently and patiently answered by our hosts. I am almost certain that the aviation industry will gain some leaders in the future due to this outing.

This is but one of the amazing experiences on offer to boys who engage with our co-curricular clubs at BGS. I thank the academic and support staff who provide these unique and interesting opportunities for our students.



Rugby Review parent forum

Following the nutrition seminar on Wednesday 15 May, I will host a forum for BGS parents interested in finding out more about the work we have undertaken here at BGS and across the GPS to prepare for the 2019 GPS Rugby season.

We will elaborate on recent communications through the newsletter and on MyGrammar. The Director of Rugby will give an overview of the preseason training program and the BGS Rugby program in general. The Director of Sport will provide an overview of the work undertaken to ensure our medical care and responses is the best available and the Coordinator of Middle School Sport will address the question facing many Middle School parents: is it safe to play?

For those who are unable to attend, we will be releasing an online presentation through MyGrammar, which will cover the key points to be discussed on the evening. We understand this is a busy time and are seeking to ensure we accommodate as many as possible in the sharing of this information.

Please RSVP your attendance for the BGS Rugby Parent Information Evening to Mr Phil Mooney at philip.mooney@brisbanegrammar.com.

Basketball – Hardwood Club

The BGS Basketball supporters group, the Hardwood Club, warmly invites you to attend our first preseason meeting of 2019.

This meeting will be held on Wednesday 15 May from 6.00pm – 7.00pm in the Woolcock Room (above the Senior Administration Building).

The Hardwood Club supports both BGS Club Basketball and our GPS teams and all new and returning Basketball families are welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you are unable to attend but would like to be involved with the Hardwood Club, please email Ms Mel Eveleigh at mel.eveleigh@brisbanegrammar.com.

Mel Eveleigh
MiC Basketball

Cricket – Willow Club

The Willow Club Cricket support group invites you to attend our Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 28 May 2019 at 6.00pm in the Woolcock Room.

All voluntary positions will be declared vacant.

Nominations must be received by **Wednesday 22 May 2018**.

To make a nomination for a position please contact James Ireland (Willow Club secretary) by email at j.ireland@hopgoodganim.com.au.

For more information about the Willow Club or the AGM, please contact Willow Club President, Justin Beirne by email at jbeirne@qmtlaw.com.au or 0412 708 682.

Chess

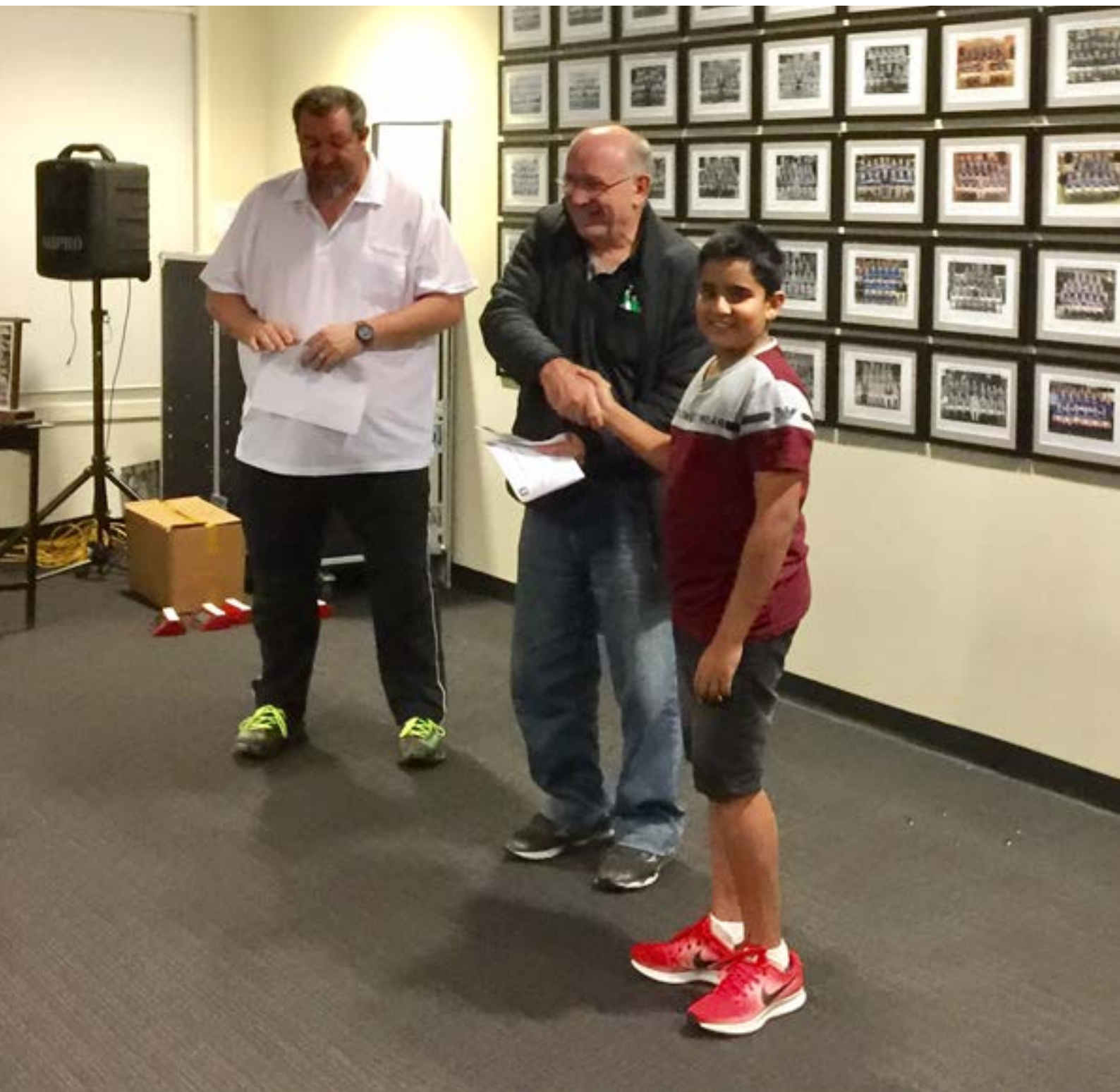
More than 60 boys recently trialled for 36 places in our GPS Chess teams. These teams for the Term 3 competition have now been finalised. Well done to all boys who were selected, and thank you to everyone who trialled. Congratulations to our Premier Team for 2019: Tony Zhong, Nadula Tennakoon, Sze-Yong Ng and Jaden Teow.

A big congratulations goes to Nadula Tennakoon for winning first place and a cash prize in the Under 1600 category of the 2019 Queensland Open Tournament, held over the long weekend. Congratulations also to our new coach, Tom Maguire, who placed second overall in the same tournament, winning 5.5/7 games. Tony Zhong finished first in the recent Wendy Terry Memorial Tournament, winning 5.5/6 games and a cash prize.

Playing in external tournaments is a great way for the boys to improve their rating.

Below: Nadula receiving his prize last weekend

Cathy Oxley
Assistant MiC Chess



Cross Country

Years 5 to 12 GPS competition

After today, there is only one invitational carnival until the GPS Championship. This means that each training session and each meet are crucial to individual selection, age championship points and, most importantly, overall team performance.

Upcoming Events

Term 2	Cross Country training Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings
Mondays	Monday Lunch Run Club 12.40pm at Cricket Pavilion, finishes 1.10pm
Friday 10 May	Nudgee Cross Country Nudgee College
Friday 17 May	ACGS and TGS Cross Country Limestone Park Ipswich early start
Friday 24 May	BGS Internal Cross Country

Our motto of 'one more' very much comes into play.

Information on BGS Cross Country can be found on MyGrammar.

If you have any questions regarding the Cross Country program, please contact Mr John Clancy at john.clancy@brisbanegrammar.com.

John Clancy
MiC Cross Country

Drama

Senior Dramatic Production – *Richard III*

It has been very rewarding constructing the world of *Richard III* with such a wonderful team of student artists and teaching staff. Producer Jeffrey Lewis and Technical Director Michael Moloney have gone above and beyond in their roles dedicating many evenings, weekends and holidays to support the cast, crew and technical vision for this show. We have really enjoyed the process of finding the most visually arresting methods of Richard's murderous streak. Technical elements such as lighting, haze machines, trap doors and other special effects will enable the audience to be transported into this iconic tragedy, but the actors have a responsibility to make the language accessible to a modern audience.

The doorway into Shakespeare's world opens with an understanding of the language so the universal themes and narrative remain relevant. Part of the actor training with our senior boys and female cast members from QACI has involved coaching that focuses on the intentions that underpin the character's dialogue. Although it is integral to deconstruct the language and imagery, the performers must have the confidence to find their own voice, rather than simply adopting a classical tone.

The actors have worked hard to find and develop connections to the historical relevance of the play, while also understanding that the performance comes at a time when we are again questioning the corruption and integrity of our political leaders.

Links to ticket sales

- **Wednesday 22 May 2019 – SOLD OUT**
- **Thursday 23 May 2019**
- **Friday 24 May 2019 – SOLD OUT**

Tanya Neilsen

Head of Drama and Dramatic Productions



Fencing

Last Saturday saw the first round of fixtures in the Queensland Fencing Association's Brisbane School Teams competition and marked the start of our campaign to regain the Jim Hill Cup for the 13th consecutive season. A promising start was demonstrated as the School's largest-ever fencing cohort took to the pistes.

Of the 35 total matches, BGS was able to secure 28 victories. A special mention goes to the Years 9 and 10 Foil Division 1 Team 1 and the Open Sabre First IV who both won their matches 9–0. Victories were also secured in the Open Epee First IV, winning their match 8–1 against BGGS, and the Open Foil First IV, winning their match 7–2 against defending champions All Hallows. The Open Foil Seconds also defeated the BGGS in a convincing 7–2 victory.

Round 2 fixtures take place at Yeronga this Saturday. When available, check MyGrammar and the BGS App for team lists, times, and draw. Fencers should arrive no later than 45 minutes before their session begins and be dressed in their whites ready to fence 15 minutes before they are scheduled to fence. If any boys are not able to fence on Saturday, please email fencing@brisbanegrammar.com.

Best of luck to Captain Hugo Brown and Vice Captain Jude Forrest for the season. Thanks to all boys who not only competed but also helped out, managed younger teams, and assisted with the armoury on Saturday. Much appreciation also goes to the Musketeers and parents who support these boys.

Melanie Brooks
Acting MiC Fencing



Football

BGS Football teams opened their season with a strong round of results against Ipswich Grammar School last week. Of the 22 GPS games contested, BGS won 14, drew two and lost six. Our younger players can take heart from their first performances for the School, in particular our Years 5 & 6 teams who were undefeated for the day. Other standout performances include the 7Cs and 10Bs who each won 11-0.

The First XI started their season with a committed performance in wet conditions finishing 2-2 against a strong IGS outfit. Captain Declan Baker scored both goals and put in an exceptional all-round performance. Declan was strongly supported by Nick Miller, Lachlan Gorringer and Jackson Smith, who all played well in a great team effort in trying conditions. The only sour note was an injury to Luke Broderick. The Football community wishes him a speedy recovery.

All players represented the School well and all teams on the day have laid a foundation to build their season on. This week we host BBC at Northgate for another tough round. I would ask that all players give themselves ample time to arrive as parking will be extremely congested throughout the day and there are planned roadworks on Nudgee Rd. The match schedule is on MyGrammar. This Saturday will also be our Senior Day, so all parents are asked to check carefully as fields for some games will differ from previous home games.

Our next home game v TSS on Saturday 25 May will be our team photo day. See the schedule on the following page of this newsletter.

Best of luck to all teams this weekend.

Greg Di-Losa
Director of Football



GPS Football team photos | Saturday 25 May at Northgate

Please check the schedule on the following page for your team photo time. All players must wear full playing uniform and should arrive at least five minutes before the scheduled time.

GPS Football 2019 Team Photographs

Saturday 25 May | Northgate Playing Fields

Game Time	Photo Time	Photographer 1	Photographer 2
8.00am	7.10am	7A	7B
8.00am	7.15am	7C	7D
8.00am	7.20am	7E	6A
8.00am	7.25am	6B	5A
8.00am	7.30am	5B	
9.10am	8.10am	8A	8B
9.10am	8.15am	8C	8D
9.10am	8.20am	6C	6D
9.10am	8.25am	5C	5D
9.10am	8.30am		7F
10.20am	9.20am	9A	9B
10.20am	9.25am	9C	9D
10.20am	9.30am	9E	8E
10.20am	9.35am	8F	
11.30am	10.30am	10A	10B
11.30am	10.35am	10C	10D
11.30am	10.40am	10E	11E
11.30am	10.45am		11F
12.40pm	11.40am	2 nd XI	3 rd XI
12.40pm	11.45am	4 th XI	11A
12.40pm	11.50pm	11B	11C
12.40pm	11.55pm	11D	

Team photos will be taken at the designated time with no allowance for insert photos.

You are to be ready five minutes before your photo is scheduled in full player uniform, neat and tidy.

Players and coaches are to assemble near the canopy in the photo assembly area (behind the hill north of the grandstand) where the photographers can easily see you and speak with you
(**do not assemble** directly behind the grandstand or the hill south of the grandstand).

Photo Assembly Area



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Music

All BGS community members are invited to Grammar in Concert, the premier Music event of the 2019 calendar. Details can be found below. For more information or to book [click here](#).

Grammar in Concert 2019 | Rhythm & Soul

This wonderful showcase of BGS Music will invigorate your mind with its lively rhythms and enrich your soul with music that will touch your emotions. Each group will present their unique twist on this theme. The choirs (Grammarphones, Grammar Vocal Ensemble, Grammar Singers and Vocal Group) will charm you with their gorgeous harmonies and powerful lyrics. The bands (Symphonic Band, Big Band and Percussion Ensemble) will make it inevitable that you will find your toes tapping. The strings and orchestra (Chamber Strings and Symphony Orchestra) will sometimes warm your heart with their beautiful sound but other times sweep you up with pure energy. It will be an afternoon to remember.

Grammar in Concert | Sunday 19 May

4.00pm in the Edmund Rice Performing Arts Complex, St Laurence's College

- Featured groups include Symphonic Band, Big Band, Percussion Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Strings, Grammarphones, Vocal Group, Grammar Singers, Grammar Vocal Ensemble
- **Tickets available now** – adult \$35, concession \$20, family 4-pack \$90 (4 tickets, including maximum 2 adults), BGS students - \$5
- Parking is easy with discount vouchers available when you book
- BGS students can obtain a cheap ticket for only \$5. These are just for BGS students and available from the Music Office or Co-Curricular Office – cash only.

Be sure to come early and enjoy refreshments from 3.15pm, accompanied by some pre-show musical entertainment. It won't be a long show so you can plan to enjoy some dinner afterwards at one of the many restaurants in South Bank. It promises to be a great afternoon of entertainment. We look forward to seeing you there!



**Grammar
in Concert**

Sunday 19 May 2019



Tennis

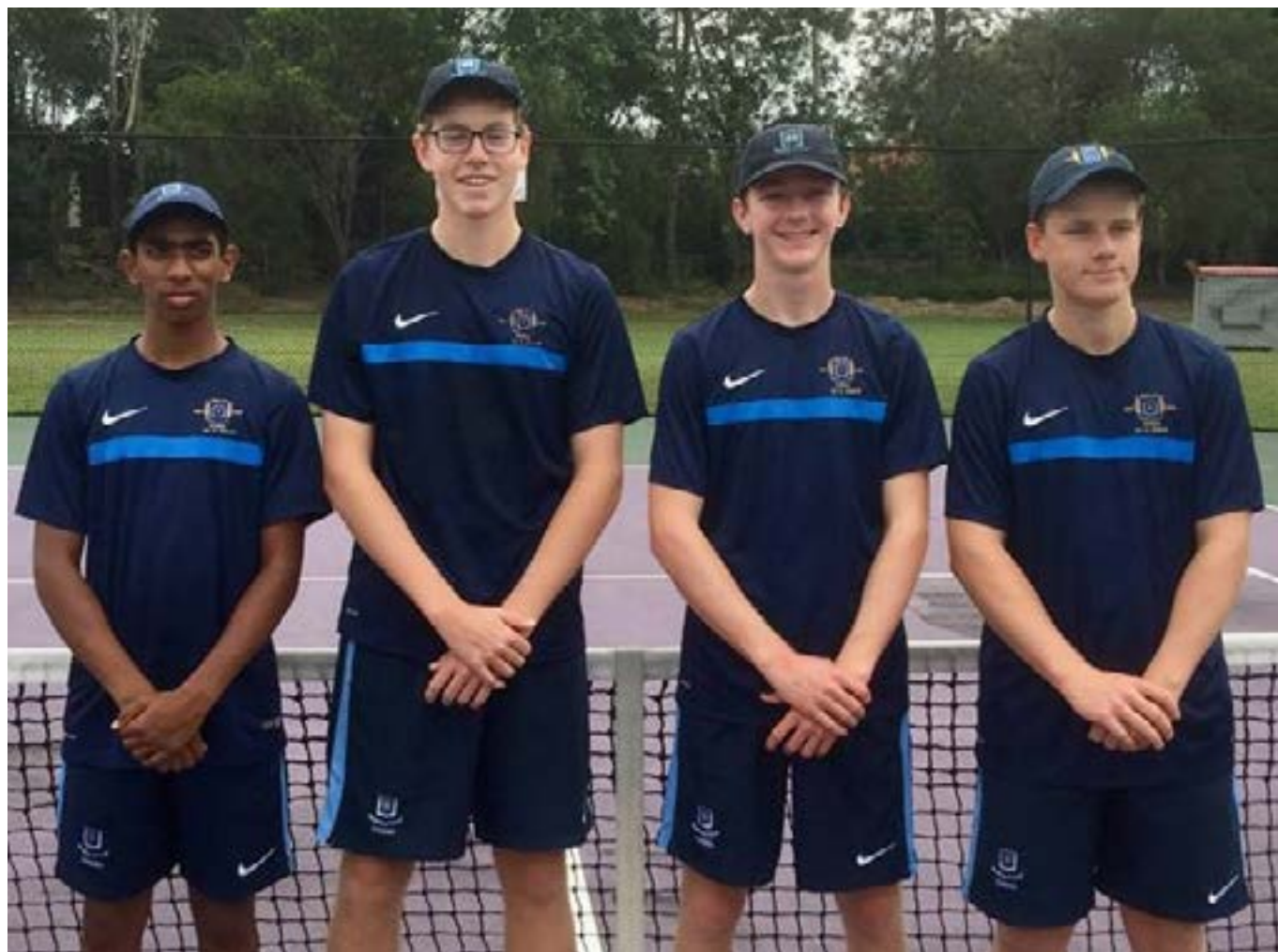
GPS Round 1 v IGS

Saturday marked Round 1 of the GPS Tennis season for Brisbane Grammar School. After a great week of training and further trials, BGS Tennis had a perfect start to the GPS season with all 22 competing teams earning a win. Our coaching staff are very proud of the effort and sportsmanship that all the boys showed on Saturday. Thank you to all the boys who participated in our internal matches and supporting the boys against IGS.

It was good to see boys staying to watch their teammates finish each match. Please remember to obtain a tennis shirt from the uniform shop as we had a few boys that were wearing PE shirts.

First IV Defeat IGS 7-1

After all the coaching, training, camps, Super League and tournaments, it was finally time to start our season against Ipswich Grammar School. The Firsts for the opening day were Angus Gentner, James Kenny, Elliot James and Kanika Jayathilake. The day began with the boys in blue winning three quick singles matches. Angus Gentner, our recently crowned School Champion, was in a battle at number one singles. Although Angus fought back from 5-3 down to win the first set, he was unable to close out the match, losing in three tight sets. BGS then showcased its strength in doubles play to finish off the day with a 7-1 overall victory. This weekend against BBC will be one of our biggest challenges and we encourage all boys to come and support the Firsts at BGS.



(L to R: Kanika Jayathilake, James Kenny, Angus Gentner, Elliott James)

Michael Fancutt
Director of Tennis

Acting Head of Middle School

Rebecca Campbell

Yesterday we hosted our annual Year 5 Mother's Day Morning Tea. This significant event is a highlight of the Middle School calendar and a wonderful opportunity for our youngest students to demonstrate gratitude and chivalry. Our guests enjoyed a high tea on the Boarders' Lawn, before moving to the Great Hall for a concert filled with music, dance and poetry. It was a very special morning and one I'm sure our Year 5 mums will always cherish. I thank Mr Tier, Mr Kenny, Mrs Bichel and our Year 5 Form Tutors for organising this special event as well as Ms Thomas and Ms McMenamin for preparing our performers. I also thank our Year 6 parent representative, Palingu Aponso, and our Year 6 parent volunteers for assisting at the high tea. Events such as the Mother's Day Morning Tea remind us of the value of community and the critical role it plays in supporting our students at Brisbane Grammar School. I wish all BGS mums a very happy Mother's Day on Sunday.



From Tuesday 14 to Thursday 16 May, our Years 5 and 7 boys will participate in NAPLAN testing. Mr Grice has sent a detailed letter to parents outlining important information, including the required materials. We ask that you not schedule external appointments for your son during the testing days. Friday 17 May should also be left free, as this day is used to complete tests for students absent earlier in the week. It is important that the boys approach NAPLAN testing with a positive mindset and determination to do their best. A good night's sleep and hearty breakfast will help the boys to maintain their focus and concentration.

A reminder that winter uniform has now commenced. Middle School students must wear their blue BGS jumper to and from school. It is helpful if all jumpers are clearly named so they can be returned if misplaced. Importantly, as temperatures drop, boys are reminded that the BGS tracksuit may be worn to and from sporting fixtures and training sessions. Club jumpers or non-BGS attire are not to be worn to School-related activities. Boys remaining behind to watch later games must change into full School uniform.

Finally, I wish to advise that Mrs Cath Luck has resigned from her position as Receptionist in our Middle School Office. We sincerely thank Mrs Luck for her contributions to the Middle School community and wish her all the best as she embarks on her next chapter.

Middle School Sport

General

In last week's newsletter I put out a call for volunteers to assist with the operation of our new Northgate canteen facilities. This week we have our first big Football home round of the season against BBC, with all teams playing at Northgate. Once again, I urge all our new Middle School families to get involved and volunteer their services in some capacity. If you think you might be able to help, please email me and I will pass your details and availability onto Helen Sherrington.

Middle School Cross Country

Last Friday afternoon, our Cross Country community hosted the second of the invitational meets for the term. The course at Northgate is very flat compared to the championship course at Limestone Park and as a result there were some fast times recorded. Our boys finished the day in third place behind BBC and GT and we will be looking for some improvement in this week's meet at Nudgee College if we are to be competitive in the championships on Wednesday 29 May.

Thanks to the boys who answered the call to run in our 10 years age group. We are still short of athletes but appreciate the effort by those new boys that turned up for training this week to bolster our numbers. There is still time and opportunity for any other new runners to join this age group.

Age	Runner of the Week	Age	Runner of the Week
10 years	Alex Sampson	12 years	Kobi Griffiths
11 years	Max Uhlmann	13 years	Jasper Gottliebse

Middle School Football

Last Saturday was a day of big scores for many of our Middle School Football teams as they played IGS and Churchie at away venues. Fortunately for our boys, most of the unflattering score lines were in our favour. One of the highlight performances of the day was the enthralling 6A clash. I was particularly impressed with the resilience and composure shown by the boys to come back from an early 2-0 deficit to win the match 5-3.

This Saturday all teams will be at home against BBC and we anticipate some close contests across all age levels. I would like to wish our 7A team all the best for this Saturday after a tough round against IGS. Please check MyGrammar for team selections and match details.

Team	Player of the Week	Age	Player of the Week
5A	Jonty Chambers	6A	Winston Woodford
5B	Rueben Tavakol	6B	Max Uhlmann
5C	Alex Redhead	6C	Jai Selva
5D	Riley Booker	6D	Praveen Gunawardana
Team	Player of the Week	Age	Player of the Week
7A	Kobi Griffiths	8A	Joe Keddy
7B	Nathan Buddee	8B	Reid Keeley
7C	Charlie Lutton	8C	Harry Clifton
7D	Pascal Khosrohtehrani	8D	Stephen Kyprios/ Jo Gerhmann
7E	Tom Poll	8E	Will O'Sullivan
7F	Tom Ruddell	8F	Taj Lyndon

Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
5A	W 11-1	6A	W 5-3	7A	L 1-7	8A	W 4-2
5B	W 7-0	6B	W 14-0	7B	W 2-1	8B	W 4-2
5C	W 2-0	6C	W 4-0	7C	W 11-0	8C	W 2-1
5D	L 2-4	6D	L 1-6	7D	W 5-2	8D	L 2-3
				7E	W 13-1	8E	W 8-2
				7F	L 1-3	8F	L 2-4

Middle School Tennis

Congratulations to all players on an outstanding round of results against Ipswich Grammar School last Saturday. All teams were victorious, and many had dominant performances.

This Saturday looms as one of our harder rounds against traditional Tennis rivals, Brisbane Boys' College. Our Middle School teams are away this week and BBC have four venues operating to host these fixtures. To avoid confusion, please check MyGrammar for match and team details.

Team	Player of the Week	Age	Player of the Week
5A	Chayse Sheather	6A	Angus Bale
5B	Adam Chua	6B	James Middleton
Team	Player of the Week	Age	Player of the Week
7A	Caspian Tuckwell	8A	Angus Norris
7B	Isaac Chua	8B	David Sun
7C	Jonathan Loh	8C	Sze Yong Ng
7D	Thai Bui	8D	John Treacy

Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
5A	W 48-2	6A	W 42-15	7A	W 48-0	8A	W 40-19
5B	W 48-1	6B	W 48-1	7B	W 48-0	8B	W 48-0
				7C	W 48-4	8C	W 48-0
				7D	NG	8D	NG

Track and Field

The City District Mini Meet was held at Windsor Park on Tuesday. This year it was a one-day track events meet instead of the traditional two-day program to select the team to compete at Met North Championships. Congratulations to Aaron Alphonso, Harvey Gatehouse, Liam Buktenica and Josh Wood on being selected to represent City District at the regional carnival.

Athletic Development

Hercules Club commenced for Years 7 and 8 this week with the focus on strength foundations. From Week 4 to Week 8, functional movement sessions will be held in the cricket nets on the oval, Monday mornings from 6.45am to 7.30am. Strength foundations will continue on Wednesday mornings in the ISC Gymnastics Hall from 6.45am to 7.30am.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kobi Griffiths on his selection in the U12 Met North Football team to play in the State Championships in July. Kobi has also been selected in the Queensland Futsal 12 years Boys State Metro Team for the 2020 FFA National Futsal Championships.

Glenn McFarlane
Coordinator of Middle School Sport

Volunteer Roster

Week commencing Monday 13 May 2019

Tuckshop (07) 3834 5229 | Grammar Shop (07) 3834 5347
Roster Secretary Wendy Smith — email wsmith@visis.com.au

Grammar Shop hours

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7.30am – 11.00am

Tuesday, Thursday 7.30am – 9.00am

Tuckshop hours

Weekdays 7.00am – 2.00pm

Week Four	Tuckshop Breakfast 7.00am – 8.00am	Tuckshop Morning Tea 8.00am – 2.00pm	Grammar Shop
Monday 13 May	Jenny Humphris	Renai Ridley (Team Captain)	Linda Miric
Tuesday 14 May	Lee Perkins	Lee Perkins (Team Captain)	Wendy Ricato
Wednesday 15 May	Humera Rahim Jill Johnston	Jill Johnston (Team Captain)	Danielle Jesser
Thursday 16 May	Bronwyn Jerrard	Meghan Mitchell (Team Captain)	Millie Yee
Friday 17 May	Catherine Ellemor Steph Mooney Jenny Humphris Sirie Pamos	Wendy Smith (Team Captain)	Simone Muller

2019 Calendar

Term 2

Wednesday 24 April – Friday 21 June

Term 3

Tuesday 16 July – Friday 20 September

Term 4

Tuesday 8 October – Friday 29 November

Upcoming Events

Grammar in Concert

Sunday 19 May

Melbourne Community Event

Tuesday 28 May

Sydney Community Event

Thursday 30 May

The Jam – Band Battle '19

Saturday 8 June

Art Show

Friday 19 July

BGS Open Day

Saturday 20 July

BGS Golf Day

Friday 23 August

BGSOBA Annual Reunion Dinner

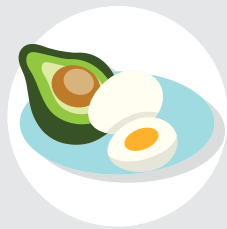
Saturday 31 August



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Sally Anderson

BGS Nutrition Seminar



Nutritional needs for active adolescent boys



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Sally loves her work as a dietitian, and will go to great lengths to help her clients achieve their goals. Sally's interest in sports nutrition began when she was competing nationally as a lightweight rower; as 'weight-category' athletes will testify, meticulous attention to food is necessary to achieve a goal weight. As a result, Sally has first-hand experience & empathy for the challenges that face her athletes & weight management clients.



Date

Wednesday
15 May 2019

Time

6.00pm
to 7.00pm

Venue

The Lilley Centre
Forum

RSVP here

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Year 5 Parent Cocktail Evening



**You are invited to join fellow Year 5 parents
for a cocktail evening at Duke's Bar,
The Lord Alfred Hotel on Saturday 25 May.**

Date

Saturday 25 May 2019

Time

7.00pm to 10.00pm

Tickets

\$45.00 includes
welcome drink and canapes

Venue

Duke's Bar, The Lord Alfred Hotel, 68 Petrie Terrace, Brisbane

RSVP [here](#)

by Friday 17 May 2019

**For more information please contact
Year 5 Parent Representative, Rachael Dauber**

E rachaeldauber@hotmail.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Year 9 Family Gathering



You are invited to join Year 9 families for Barefoot Bowls at Red Hill Community Sports Club on Sunday 26 May. All family members welcome. Please bring a plate of food to share. Drinks can be purchased at the bar.

Date

Sunday 26 May 2019

Time

3.00pm to 5.00pm

Tickets

\$7.00 per person

Venue

Red Hill Community Sports Club, 22 Fulcher Road, Red Hill

RSVP [here](#)

by Tuesday 21 May 2019

**For more information please contact
Year 9 Parent Representative, Wendy Ricato**

E wendy.ricato4@outlook.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Year 7 Parent Cocktail Evening



**You are invited to join fellow Year 7 parents
for a cocktail evening at The Verandah Bar,
The Lord Alfred Hotel on Saturday 1 June.**

Date

Saturday 1 June 2019

Time

7.00pm to 10.00pm

Tickets

\$46.00 includes welcome
drink, canapes & fork dish

Venue

The Verandah Bar, The Lord Alfred Hotel, 68 Petrie Terrace, Brisbane

RSVP **here**

by Monday 27 May 2019

**For more information please contact
Year 7 Parent Representative, Rachel Emery**

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Year 8 Parent Cocktail Evening



**You are invited to join fellow Year 8 parents
for a cocktail evening at The Verandah Bar,
The Lord Alfred Hotel on Friday 7 June.**

Date

Friday 7 June 2019

Time

7.00pm to 10.30pm

Tickets

\$50.00 includes
welcome drink and canapes

Venue

The Verandah Bar, The Lord Alfred Hotel, 68 Petrie Terrace, Brisbane

RSVP [here](#)

by Thursday 30 May 2019

**For more information please contact
Year 8 Parent Representative, Berthine Ommensen**

T 0449 880 220 **E** berthine@bigpond.net.au



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

BGS Gymnastics Presentation Evening



Please join the BGS Gymnastics community in celebrating
the 2019 GPS Gymnastics season.

Date

Saturday 8 June 2019

Time

6.30pm - 8.30pm

Tickets

\$30pp
(including students)

Venue

Function Room, The Lilley Centre, Brisbane Grammar School

[RSVP here](#)

by Monday 3 June 2019

For more information please contact
Louise Evans – PA to Deputy Head Co-Curriculum

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50th annual BGS Art Show 'Aurum'

The Brisbane Grammar School Art Support Group is delighted to present the 50th Annual Art Show, *Aurum*.

This year, the group welcomes Judith Bell, former member of the Board of Trustees and longtime supporter and collector of art (especially ceramics) to open the Art Show. Judith has had a distinguished career in education, including 10 years as a member of the Senate of The University of Queensland.

To encourage and support former students to enter works into the Art Show, the Art Support Group offers scholarships, which this year are available to Old Boys from 2013 to 2018. Applications are now open. For further information, please contact Head of Art, Ms Angela McCormack at angela.mccormack@brisbanegrammar.com or the Art Support Group at art.committee@brisbanegrammar.com.

The event commences with a ticketed Gala Opening on Friday 19 July at 7.00pm, followed by free admission on Saturday 20 July from 10.00am to 3.00pm, coinciding with Open Day. Tickets include canapés, supper, beer and wine. Parking is available during the event.

The Annual Art Show originally coincided with Foundation Day and the date was later moved to accompany the celebrations of Open Day. The Art Support Group has operated for over 50 years, raising funds for the development and maintenance of the School's Art Collection, which is displayed throughout the campus. The Art Show itself aims to enrich the cultural life of the students and wider School community.

For more information and previews of available works, please visit the Instagram account [@bgsartshow](https://www.instagram.com/bgsartshow) or Facebook page [BGS Annual Art Show](https://www.facebook.com/BGSAnnualArtShow).

For information about the Art Support Group, please email art.committee@brisbanegrammar.com.

Tickets are now on sale.



The Brisbane Grammar School Art Support Group is proud to present the opening of the 50th Annual Art Show 2019.

Join us in Centenary Hall for an evening of fine art, jewellery, wine, food and BGS musicians.

Special Guest Artists

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Ben Hodges
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Saturday 20 July, 10am - 3pm

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