



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# Newsletter

**Week 1 Term 3**

Friday 19 July 2019



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# Headmaster

## Anthony Micallef

Semester 2 has commenced after a typically busy end of semester vacation. There has been a great deal of very constructive activity over the break. In summary:

- Training continued for BGS Swimming and BGS Gymnastics squads, and staff ensured boys could access the Strength and Conditioning facilities in the Indoor Sports Centre throughout the break.
- A Robotics Build-a-thon was held at the School with students from Years 7 to 12 participating.
- Our musicians attended the Australian Combined Schools Music Festival hosted by Sydney Grammar School during the first week.
- Our First XI and developing football players travelled to Adelaide to compete in the IBC Cup against Newington College, St Peters (Adelaide) and Canberra Grammar School.
- Our gymnasts competed and won the State Club Championships at Caloundra over the break. BGS Gymnastics placed first in Division A (Level 9-10), first in Division B (Level 7-8), first in Division C (Level 5-6) and fourth in Division D (Level 3-4). A strong performance and outstanding achievement.
- Basketball pre-season training camps were held over the first week of the holidays with over 100 boys attending.
- In Rugby, many boys attended optional training clinics. The annual Rugby Camps were held for U11 to Open boys, including the First XV Camp. This preparation culminated in a series of trial games at Northgate on Saturday against Toowoomba Grammar School.

I warmly thank the many staff who surrendered holiday time to enable these extension activities. It is a defining characteristic of the School that the adults believe so strongly in the boys' holistic development.

First semester reports indicated that the vast majority of our students made effective use of the learning time during the first six months, and many have been active and constructive contributors to a wide range of extracurricular activities. When reading reports, I note how many of our students commit to the notion of balance, not only between academic and co-curricular involvements, but also in the diversity of their engagement and public purpose contributions. I was pleased with the results of the Year 12 students and urge them to consolidate their real academic gains in this critical third term that includes the defining Queensland Core Skills Test.

Apart from their involvement in the Co-Curricular program, a number of staff used the holiday period for professional development opportunities; Mr Ingram and I attended the International Boys School Coalition Annual Conference at Selwyn House, in Montreal, Canada. It was a fabulous conference and a great opportunity to see the wonderful work being done in independent schools across the world. Mr Howes, Ms Nicholas and Mr Uscinski accompanied students to Stanford University, and others attended the State History and English Conferences. Such involvements are consistent with our strategic aim to widen global opportunities for both our staff and students.

As we close the first week of Term 3, I wish to thank in advance the dedicated Art Support Group for staging the 50th BGS Art Show and acknowledge staff, parents and students for presenting another Open Day. I will write more about these important events in next week's newsletter.

Finally, I wish to alert parents and caregivers of the changes that BGS and BGGS are making to address traffic congestion at drop-off and pick-up times. The primary concern for both schools is student safety. Changes will take effect on Monday 22 July 2019 (Week 2, Term 3) and may require parents to adjust routines. Please see the following page for details.

I thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

# Traffic Management

One of the challenges for our inner-city school is traffic congestion. Brisbane Grammar School is working closely with Brisbane Girls Grammar School and the Brisbane City Council to ensure the safety of our students and provide smoother transit for our families.

BGS and BGGS are making changes to address traffic congestion at drop-off and pick-up times. These changes begin on Monday 22 July 2019 (Week 2, Term 3) and may require parents to adjust routines to protect the safety of students and improve traffic flow in front of both schools.

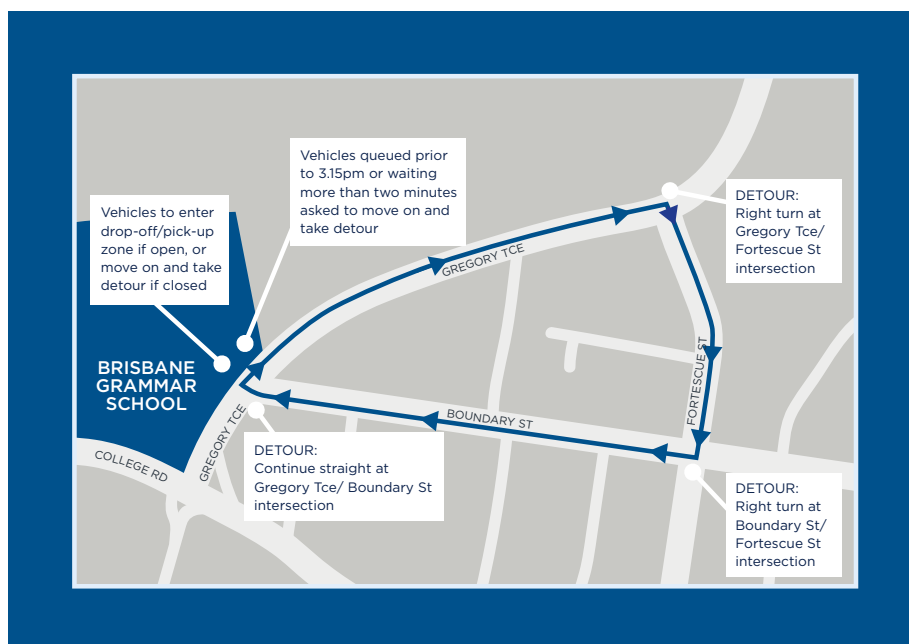
Traffic congestion on Gregory Terrace and surrounding streets has increased with densification in the area. BGS and BGGS recently commissioned independent traffic engineering consultants to undertake an observational study and provide recommendations. In addition, we are working across all levels of government to find ways to make drop-off and pick-up times easier for busy parents.

The primary concern for both schools is student safety and the changes address potentially dangerous behaviours that may compromise this safety. We request our community to respect the following changes:

- Drivers waiting more than two minutes in the pick-up zone will be kindly instructed by our traffic controllers to exit the zone and return via the recommended detour (see below);
- Our traffic controllers will restrict student access to the pedestrian crossing within the BGS drop-off/pick-up zone when the traffic lights are green. This allows vehicles to enter or exit the zone; and
- Students will be stopped by staff from attempting to cross the Gregory Terrace entrance to the BGS drop-off/pick-up zone on a flashing or red walk signal.

BGS is actively seeking to establish longer-term strategies and improvements. To better understand the travel habits of our families, the School will conduct a Parent Traffic Survey (in Weeks 4 and 5 of Term 3) and students will be asked to complete a travel diary.

Additional information will be issued in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, please contact [communications@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:communications@brisbanegrammar.com).



## DETOUR

Parents who arrive to collect their sons prior to 3.15pm, or who have spent longer than the allocated two-minute waiting period, will be directed to follow the detour outlined in this map.

If you have any questions, please contact [communications@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:communications@brisbanegrammar.com)

# Deputy Headmaster – Students

David Carroll

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to all families for the commencement of Term 3 for 2019. I hope you all enjoyed a safe and happy break.

Thank you for supporting the School by ensuring your son(s) returned in the correct uniform with an appropriate hairstyle. I am always grateful for the support we receive from parents in this area. I would appreciate this standard extending to your son's uniform this Saturday at BGS Open Day, and each Saturday if he remains behind to support the flagship team in either basketball and rugby. I was present last Saturday for the BGS verses TGS rugby trial and noticed some older students playing with the incorrect uniform. Boys intending to represent the School on Saturdays need the correct attire or they will not be able to participate.

At the start of each term, I always raise the issue of routine with the boys at our first assembly, and with parents in the Week 1 newsletter. I did this on Tuesday with the boys and I want parents to be aware that commencing good habits in week one is just as important as studying for exams in Week 9.

I particularly encourage parents to consider their approach to the following points:

- Implement reduced screen time allowances, as holidays can be a time where poor habits begin. Set time frames that are clear and monitored.
- Set clear sleep times and ensure screen time ceases one hour prior.
- Ensure the home workspace is ready and being utilised.
- Re-set healthy eating habits and set times for meals that support good study routines.
- Re-visit the Semester 1 report and ask to see a Semester 2 learning plan.

It is important to remember that returning to school in Term 3 can be a challenging time for boys due to the new co-curricular season commencing, the required changes in eating and sleeping habits, as well as adjusting from social activities over the holidays.

Advice that is consistent at home and school will assist student to get back into successful routines as quickly as possible.

*Did you know?*

**Parents can support their son's  
Year Group Bursary (YGB).**





# Director of Boarding

Berian Williams-Jones

This semester we welcomed two new boys to our boarding community. Sean Lee joins Year 7 from Taiwan, and it is wonderful that he joins the very healthy number of junior boarders at Harlin House. Omid Moeini is the latest in a long line of day boys to take advantage of the temporary boarding option at Harlin House. We welcome both to boarding at Brisbane Grammar School and look forward to their contribution, which we are confident will further enrich our community.

This term has also seen one change to the Harlin House tutor team. After three years of commendable service, Mr Yondo Regione has returned to Papua New Guinea to commence an engineering career, and we thank him for his service. We have appointed Mr Andrew Jones as his replacement. Mr Jones is a former student of Marist College, Ashgrove, and is a current education student at QUT. Given his work with students as part of his pre-service teacher program, and from his contribution to the co-curricular program at his alma mater, we look forward to welcoming him to the residential family.

The first weekend of the term is Open Day at Brisbane Grammar School. It is always a wonderful day at the School, and especially so for the boarders given the opportunity to show former, current and prospective families through our home. Open Day is also important as the Boarder Support Group hold the annual Harlin House coffee shop. We look forward to the hustle and bustle of the day, and the wonderful work of our boarding families in supporting Harlin House.



# Director of Outdoor Education

## Derek Jervis

Year 9D successfully completed their Term 2 outdoor education experience. The class maintained a focus on the objectives and supported their peers throughout the week.

Aditya Pradeep Rao put a great effort into all aspects of the program. Aditya pushed himself on the high ropes course and proved to be a mature and helpful student who showed empathy towards his peers. Aidan Carmody was a strong navigator. He showed attention to the detail to the map and was willing to step into a leadership role. Aiden was a great team player who put the needs of his group before his own.

Michael Coyne and Harry Dickson were great group members who were willing to work hard, especially during the expedition. On return to the centre, Harry had the whole class around the piano singing along to *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

Dylan Stewart was recognised by both the teachers and his peers for his leadership potential and his attitude during the program. Dylan showed concern for others, was supportive, and demonstrated great skill to get the fire going early in the morning.

Anhadh Virk was recognised for the effort he put in all the way up to Friday's last activity, the Final Challenge. Anhadh took a leadership role during this activity and helped his group maintain enthusiasm right to the end.

Form Seniors Brayden Johnson and Massimo Musso spent the week with the class to mentor them during the program. Brayden and Massimo made a strong leadership team and provided great support to the class.

Mr Jamie Foulger joined the boys for the expedition component of the program. Mr Foulger camped out and hiked up Mt Alford with the class and got to see the new property 'Bitenbar' in action. Mr Brad Scholes and Ms Tara Richmond also joined the class for the day hiking on Mt Alford and got to see the boys leading their own navigation sections. Mr Simon Conway visited the centre on Thursday to support the boys during the high ropes course.

Click to view the [9D photos](#) and [9D video](#) of the boys' experience.



# Director of Student Services

Dale Nicholas

## Year 10 Students: Program for Subject Selection Evening | Monday 22 July 2019

As previously advised, the Subject Selection Evening is on Monday 22 July. The evening commences at 5.00pm with a welcome by Head of Year 10 Sharee Verdon in The Lilley Centre Learning Commons. The following pages detail the evening's full schedule for your reference.

On the evening, each family will receive a folder with a USB containing relevant information, paper copies of the information provided by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) and the student Learning Unique Identifier (LUI).

The QTAC Year 10 E-Guide was not available in time to meet deadlines for the USB uploads. **The guide is available [here](#)** (click on 'publications' in the menu bar for the guide to appear). The guide provides detailed information on prerequisites required for entry to Queensland institutions in 2022.

Any queries should be directed to the PA to the Deputy Headmaster for Teaching and Learning at [rochelle.lynch@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:rochelle.lynch@brisbanegrammar.com).

## Year 12 Students: 2020 Guide to Further Study

The 2020 Guide to further study will be sent to schools this week and will be distributed to Year 12 students along with their LUI number.

### Tertiary Studies Expo | Saturday 20 July - Sunday 21 July 2019

The TSXPO occurs this weekend on Saturday 20 July and Sunday 21 July at the Brisbane Showgrounds. This is an important event for Year 10 students making subject selections and for Year 12 students who are applying for tertiary admission. **[Click here](#)** for details of the TSXPO.

### Oxford University | Wednesday 24 July 2019

Students interested in study in the UK are invited to a presentation by the Oxford University Society of Queensland with former BGS School Captain Marcus Ray '18 as the guest speaker, on the evening of Wednesday 24 July. This commences at 6.00pm in The Lilley Centre Forum and is open to all year levels.

# Year 10 Subject Selection Schedule

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

Time	Session & Subject		Location
5.00pm	Welcome to Parents & Students – Sharee Verdon, Head of Year 10		The Lilley Centre, Learning Commons
<b>Parents:</b> 5.15 - 6.00pm: Forum <i>Selection Process</i> - Steve Uscinski, Deputy Headmaster – Teaching & Learning; Dale Nicholas, Director of Student Services; Mark Schumann, Dean of Studies; and Greg Dabelstein, Dean of Curriculum		<b>Students:</b> 5.15 - 5.30pm: Gallery <i>Mathematics</i> – Anthony Mewing, Head of Mathematics	
<b>Parents:</b> 6.00 – 6.15pm: Forum <i>Mathematics</i> – Anthony Mewing, Head of Mathematics		<b>Students:</b> 5.30 – 6.00pm: Gallery <i>Selection Process</i> – Frank McClatchy, Dean of Administration and Nathan Simmons, Student Counsellor. F McClatchy, N Simmons, G Hales to bring students from the Gallery to The Lilley Centre at 6.00pm to wait – Level 4, 2.	
<b><u>6.30 - 6.45pm</u></b>	<b><u>Session 1</u></b>	Specialist Maths	Function Room
		Biology	LC406/LC407
		Geography	LC309
		Literature	Magazine Area, Library
		Languages	LC411
		Modern History	LC408
		Ancient History	LC310
		Economics	Forum
		Design	LC212a
		Drama	LC212
		Music	LC213a
		Art	LC213
		Physical Education	LC214
<b><u>6.50 - 7.05pm</u></b>	<b><u>Session 2</u></b>	Earth & Environmental Science	Function Room
		Biology	LC406/LC407
		Geography	LC309
		Literature	Magazine Area, Library
		Languages	LC411
		Modern History	LC408
		Ancient History	LC310
		Economics	Forum
		Design	LC212a
		Drama	LC212
		Music	LC213a
		Art	LC213
		Physical Education	LC214



## Year 10 Subject Selection Schedule

### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019

Time	Session & Subject		Location
<b><u>7.10 - 7.25pm</u></b>	<b><u>Session 3</u></b>	Earth & Environmental Science	Function Room
		Physics	LC406/LC407
		Geography	LC309
		Literature	Magazine Area, Library
		Languages	LC411
		Modern History	LC408
		Chemistry	Forum
		Design	LC212a
		Drama	LC212
		Music	LC213a
		Art	LC213
		Physical Education	LC214
<b><u>7.30 - 7.45pm</u></b>	<b><u>Session 4</u></b>	Earth & Environmental Science	Function Room
		Physics	LC406/LC407
		Geography	LC309
		Literature	Magazine Area, Library
		Languages	LC411
		Modern History	LC408
		Ancient History	LC310
		Chemistry	Forum
		Design	LC212a
		Drama	LC212
		Music	LC213a
		Art	LC213
		Physical Education	LC214
7.45 - 8.00pm		Final Questions – Sharee Verdon, Steve Uscinski, Dale Nicholas, Mark Schumann, Greg Dabelstein & Nathan Simmons	The Lilley Centre, Learning Commons
End of Evening			

# Director of Student Wellbeing Programs

Philippa Douglas

Parent Information Evening | Monday 5 August 6.00pm-7.00pm

## Respectful Relationships with Dr Tessa Opie

Brisbane Grammar School has invited Dr Tessa Opie to speak to parents about the world of relationships, which our young people are attempting to interpret and negotiate in a digital and hyper-sexualised climate. She will explore with us the impact of the media and online pornography, on our children's attitudes and expectations concerning sexual activity. She will also discuss what we can do as parents, caregivers and role models, to positively encourage our young people to develop a healthy and realistic sense of self and 'other'.

Dr Tessa Opie, founder of *in your skin*, is dedicated to exploring these matters from a positive, pragmatic, and non-moralising approach. Specifically, *in your skin* aims to empower young people to:

- develop healthy relationship skills
- identify personal values and relationships needs
- determine boundaries around preferred sexual activity
- communicate and negotiate sexual activity
- understand and identify coercion
- understand, express and recognise consent
- enjoy healthy, consenting and egalitarian relationships.

Dr Opie will also be speaking to boys in Years 7, 9 and 11 during their student wellbeing lesson on Monday 5 August.

Dr Tessa Opie has extensive experience in education delivery and training facilitation. She has worked as an educator across the government, not-for-profit and private sectors, and has ongoing experience as a guest lecturer at various universities. Dr Opie has expertise in discussing and exploring sensitive topics with young people in a range of settings, including mainstream schools, alternative education settings, tertiary institutions, juvenile justice facilities, and amateur and professional sporting associations, including the AFL. Additionally, Dr Opie has considerable experience working with highly marginalised young people within a progressive, evidence-based, and non-judgemental framework.

# Deputy Head – Co-Curriculum

Greg Thorne

## Holiday Activities

As the Headmaster has detailed, many teaching and support staff were active throughout the break, supporting training, tours, camps and competitions for our students. I extend my gratitude to the many staff and parents who supported their sons through these valuable opportunities. Our holiday periods are crucial for rest, though I am pleased this has not been a period of inactivity, rather, one of physical preparation for the term ahead.

## Term 3 Sports and Activities

This term our GPS involvement includes Chess, Basketball, Rugby, and Athletics. Final preparations are underway for our first round of GPS fixtures and training schedules have been published on MyGrammar.

While reading the Semester 1 reports, I noted the number of boys who were yet to compete in a team sport for BGS this year. It is imperative that our young men are physically active, engage with others and experience the challenges that are unique to team sport. This week at Assembly, I spoke of selflessness and putting others, the team, before self. This is just one of the great values imbued through this type of involvement.

Sport, cultural involvement and curriculum pursuits are not, by any means, mutually exclusive here at BGS. Quite the opposite. Excellence can become a habit, which is aided by application across a range of pursuits. I am proud of the large number of BGS boys who pursue excellence each day – inside the classroom, at home, in their training and competition, in their rehearsals, in their support of others and in their relationships with their community.

I look forward to this continuing over Term 3.

## GPS Rugby Review

As previously reported, the GPS Rugby Working Group has been working to implement the recommendations of the Bell Review into GPS Rugby. The progress of this group in advance of this 2019 season has been unprecedented. In partnership with Rugby Australia and Queensland Rugby Union, the group has focused on improving GPS Rugby in five key areas: player readiness, coach accreditation and training, first aid and medical support, grounds and facilities, and competition structure.

Over the holiday period, a joint GPS update on the work of this group in Term 2 was posted on BGS social media. If you missed this, I encourage you to familiarise yourself with the endeavours we are making to support boys playing rugby. This collaborative process should also benefit other sports. View the update on the Rugby page on MyGrammar.

As an example of the collaboration taking place across the GPS Association, I also draw your attention to the [GPS Rugby U11 Gala Day flyer](#), which follows in this newsletter.

This event is being hosted by BGS this Saturday morning at Northgate during our GPS bye round. All U11 players from across the GPS will come to the one venue to play a series of short games. These will afford an opportunity for grading, and other fun activities, for those newest to our GPS Rugby community. This is the first time such an event has been held and I thank the BGS Rugby Support Group, the Normanby Blues, the Director of Rugby and the Headmaster for this initiative.

## Art Show and Open Day

Excitement is building ahead of these two significant events this weekend. Creativity and community will be showcased, and none of this could happen without the tremendous support of our parents. For all involved this weekend and throughout the coming term in any activity supporting BGS, thank you.

# Fencing

## Congratulations, Fencers

Several BGS fencers competed in the Australian U15 and U17 Championships in Sydney over the holidays, representing Queensland with pride.

In the team events, our boys excelled. In the team sabre events, five BGS fencers won gold in both the Under 15 men's sabre and in the Under 17 sabre. The four-man team for the Under 15 sabre team was comprised of Jackson Xu, Ian Wong, Geoffrey Xu and Oliver Tu. The gold medal match was very close with the lead changing four times leading to the last bout with the score 40-38 in our favour. Jackson Xu faced the strongest New South Welshman and won 5 hits to 2 to secure the gold medal.

In the Under 17 Sabre Teams, Hans-William Chung led Geoffrey Xu, Ian Wong and Jackson Xu to a final victory against the New South Wales A team, 45 hits to 39. For some of the boys to win both the Under 15 and Under 17 team titles is unique for Queensland, and promises a strong future into the open ranks.

In the Under 17 Epee Teams event Jonathan Patchen was part of the Queensland team that came second to Victoria A by just one hit – 45-44. Of the four-man Queensland A foil team, three were from BGS – Hans-William Chung, Thomas Kwan and Sebastian Vu. They defeated the NSW B team but then lost to Victoria A. Thomas Kwan fenced to the podium in the Under 15 foil, defeating the number two seed 15 hits to 4, but then losing to the eventual winner 15 hits to 11. The Queensland A foil team that included Thomas and Tom Strooper narrowly lost to Western Australia 45-44.

Overall, it was a tremendous BGS (and Queensland) effort and promises much for future seasons.

*"His brandished sword did blind men with his beams"- Henry VI part 1, Shakespeare*

**Jim Hill**

**Acting MiC Fencing**





# Track and Field

## Season Commencing

As boys were told at a lunchtime meeting yesterday, the BGS Track and Field season will commence in Week 2. Discipline training starts on the morning of Monday 22 July. The 2019 training schedule and calendar is now available on MyGrammar.

Students should have completed the sign-on form.

Students 13 years to Open should have also completed their nomination to be considered for Met North.

**John Clancy**  
**MIC Track and Field**

# Music

BGS Bands and Percussion Ensembles have two newly themed concerts coming up in Week 3. We invite the BGS community to attend the 'Christmas in July' and 'Beat the Drum' concerts for a mid-winter celebration. Information has been emailed to participating families this week.

Please note that on both evenings a sausage sizzle will be operating from 5.00pm for boys, with family members most welcome to partake as well. Tickets prices are adult \$6, student/concession \$3, family \$12 (payable at the door).

**Peter Ingram**  
**Head of Music**

## **Christmas in July Concert | Tuesday 30 July 6.00pm in Centenary Hall**

Featured groups include Guarneri, Tartini and Paganini Strings, Sousa, Holst and Williams Concert Bands and Grammar Voices.

## **Beat the Drum Concert | Thursday 1 August 6.00pm in the Music Auditorium**

Featured groups include Junior Band, Grainger Concert Band and all four Percussion Ensembles (Junior, Boom, Crash and Senior)

# Acting Head of Middle School

Rebecca Campbell

I have enjoyed welcoming the boys back to school this week and very much look forward to the term ahead. Pleasingly, most students have returned eager to embrace the opportunities that await them and have enjoyed reconnecting with their friends. The first week of school presents an opportunity to quickly re-establish expectations and learning routines. I strongly encourage the boys to consider their Term 3 commitments and use this weekend to devise a homework and study planner to ensure they successfully manage their academic and co-curricular commitments.

For the most part, students have returned with appropriate haircuts and are wearing the correct uniform. Towards the end of Term 2, some boys were pushing boundaries, particularly regarding school belts, school bags and haircuts. I would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring our uniform expectations are upheld. Staff will be conducting uniform checks over the coming weeks and reminders will be provided to students who are not meeting these expectations. The wearing of our Winter Uniform will conclude on Monday 2 September. Until this date, boys are expected to wear the blue BGS pullover to and from school.

Last night, our Year 5 students hosted their Savvy Scientist evening. I was incredibly impressed by the depth and breadth of knowledge demonstrated by our Year 5 boys and thank Mr Hunter and Mrs Mackintosh for facilitating this enriching learning experience. Thank you to the parents who also attended; your active engagement greatly enhanced the experience for the boys as they took great delight in responding to your questions and sharing their learning with you.

Our annual Open Day will be held tomorrow, Saturday 20 July, from 12.00pm – 3.00pm. Several students have volunteered to assist in various rooms throughout the day. Boys are reminded to check their room allocation and timing carefully and to make sure they are aware of collection arrangements. Our students are always wonderful ambassadors for BGS on Open Day as they share their experiences and insights with our visitors.



# Middle School Dramatic Production

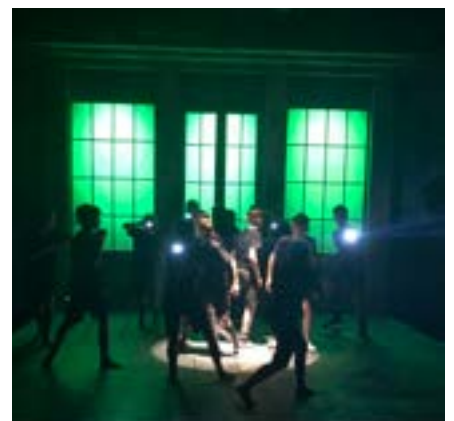
The start of Term 3 always means exciting things are happening for the Middle School Dramatic Production. The Maintenance Team has been hard at work over the holidays building the new set, the Tech Crew are plotting lights and mixing sound, and the costumes are being finalised.

In addition to all of this, tickets to *10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse* are about to go on sale! From next Monday 22 July, the BGS community is invited to purchase tickets [here](#) to one of the three shows:

- Thursday 15 August – 7.00-8.00pm (pre-show drinks from 6.00pm)
- Friday 16 August – 7.00-8.00pm (pre-show drinks from 6.00pm)
- Sunday 18 August – 2.00-3.00pm

The Dramatic Productions always sell out quickly, so secure your place quickly.

## 10 WAYS TO SURVIVE THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE



# Middle School Sport

## Middle School Mile

The Middle School Mile was held on the last Thursday of Term 2 and boys from all year levels participated very well. Although we focus on the team aspect of our interwing events, it is important to also acknowledge some of the outstanding individual performances of the day. Archie Boorer broke the Year 5 record, and Archie Austin broke the Year 7 record and set a new course record of 5:20 for the 1.6km course.

The winning wing will be announced at our next Middle School Assembly. Congratulations to the boys below on achieving a top three placing.

	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8
<b>1st</b>	Archie Boorer	Harvey Gatehouse	Archie Austin	Doug Chapman
<b>2nd</b>	Tom McCredie	Max Uhlman	Kobi Griffiths	Andrew Mcleod
<b>3rd</b>	Cashy Luo	Henry Slater	George Collins	Ethan Love

## Gymnastics

The BGS Gymnastics Club attended the Queensland State Club Championships at Caloundra during the break and our boys continued with the stellar form that won them the GPS Gymnastics Championship last term. Special mention to Middle School students Nicholas Hoole, Oliver Waterhouse, Oscar Weatherstone, Jacob Nucifora and Oliver Mellick for helping BGS become Queensland's champion gymnastics club.

## Middle School Football

It was unfortunate for many of our Middle School teams that they were unable to play in the final round of the GPS football season. However, the two end of season functions – the Junior at Northgate and the Senior, including our Year 8 boys, at Tattersalls – were both fitting ways to acknowledge another very successful football season.

In terms of results, our teams once again performed very well with the 5A, 5C, 6C, 7E, 7B and 7A teams all finishing on top of the ladder. Special mention should also go to the 5A, 7E, 7C and 7B teams on progressing through the season undefeated. Well done, boys, on an extraordinary achievement.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr Greg Di-Losa for his leadership of this, our biggest sporting program. He is very ably supported by an excellent panel of teacher and Old Boy coaches, and I believe that our excellent results reflect his hard work and attention to detail.

## Middle School Tennis

Only three of our Middle School tennis teams played against TGS on the final day of Term 2, with the 8A, 8B and 7A teams all winning comfortably. Our Middle School tennis results in 2019 were extraordinary with all Year 6 and all Year 8 teams undefeated for the entire season. The 5A, 5C and 7C teams were also undefeated, which shows what a wonderful season it really was.

Thanks to all the Fancutt family involved with the coaching of our teams. Special thanks also to Mr Harry Lee and Mr Charlie Fancutt for their excellent preparation and mentoring of our Middle School tennis players.



## Rugby

The rugby camp at Northgate in the final week of the holidays was very well attended by our Middle School players and I'm sure the boys benefitted greatly from the intense three days of training. Thanks to all the staff who gave up their break time to help with the preparation of our players for the season ahead.

This Saturday, as part of our commitment to making rugby safer and more enjoyable for all players, we are hosting a Gala Day at Northgate for all 11-years rugby teams from the various member schools. The purpose of this undertaking is for schools to compare the relative strengths of their teams to construct a draw where mismatches are avoided and the desire for a 'like for like' competition is achieved. Teams will be graded into a competition at their ability level rather than filling from 'A' down as has been done in the past.

A limited round of trial matches will also be played for some other Middle School teams.

Please check MyGrammar for schedule and venue details.

## Basketball

Our basketball players and coaches were also busy during the holidays with a clinic to prepare for the season ahead. Thanks to Mr Darrington Overstreet and his coaching panel for their hard work over the break.

Teams have now been selected and are in full training for the Round 1 clash at home against Ipswich Grammar School on 27 July.

**Glenn McFarlane**  
**Director of Middle School Sport**

# Future Problem Solvers

## State Resource Day

On Tuesday, the BGS Future Problem Solving (FPS) teams welcomed 10 schools from Brisbane and the Gold Coast to our campus. We were the host school for the Queensland State Resource Day, a preparation event for the upcoming national qualification competition. A guest speaker from Oz Harvest held a Q&A session on the qualification topic 'Food Loss and Food Waste'. The Deputy Director of FPS Australia facilitated the event and was a marvellous help to all teams in making them more confident with the FPS problem-solving model.

FPS is an academic competition in which students apply critical thinking and problem-solving skills to hypothetical future situations. The program looks at current technological, geopolitical, and societal trends and projects those trends 20 to 30 years into the future to train students to develop solutions to the challenges they may face as adults. Brisbane Grammar School and Brisbane Girls Grammar School have combined teams for this competition.

The Lilley Centre Forum was the perfect location for this event, as it allowed students to work in teams to complete a practice booklet on the topic of 'Food Loss and Food Waste.'

Thanks to BGS boys for being gracious hosts to our visitors. I wish all our teams the best for the qualification competition in Week 3.

**Simon Canfield**  
**Future Problem Solving Coach**



# Middle School Library

## Andy Griffiths Visit

Australia's most popular children's author Andy Griffiths will be visiting Brisbane Grammar School on Tuesday 30 July. Boys in Years 5 and 6 will attend the session, where Andy will talk about the latest instalment in his bestselling *Treehouse* series.

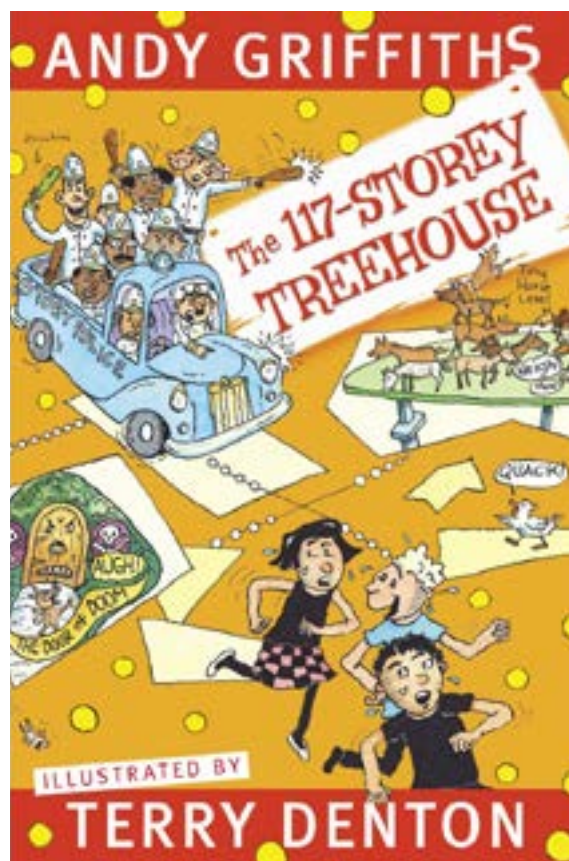
The [flyer](#) has details on how to pre-order *The 117-Storey Treehouse*, which includes a free bonus book. Please note the date for the return of the form is Friday 26 July. Boys should return the flyer to Ms Palmer in the Middle School Library. There will also be an opportunity for boys to purchase books on the day.

While Andy will not be signing books, it will be possible to have photos with him.

We are very fortunate to have this event and sincerely thank Dymocks Brisbane for the opportunity.

Please address any questions to [vicki.palmer@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:vicki.palmer@brisbanegrammar.com).

**Vicki Palmer**  
**Teacher Librarian**



# Volunteer Roster

## Week commencing Monday 22 July 2019

Tuckshop (07) 3834 5229 | Grammar Shop (07) 3834 5347  
Roster Secretary Wendy Smith — email [wsmith@visis.com.au](mailto: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 Two	Tuckshop Breakfast 7.00am – 8.00am	Tuckshop Morning Tea 8.00am – 2.00pm	Grammar Shop
<b>Monday</b> 22 July	Cecilia Chan Jenny Humphris	Bronwyn Stilwell (Team Captain)	Tomomi Tanowaki
<b>Tuesday</b> 23 July	Florence Tiong	Fara Tavakol (Team Captain)	Rachel Moss
<b>Wednesday</b> 24 July	Helen Webster Virginia Bowdidge	Fiona Brockhurst (Team Captain)	Cathy Carew
<b>Thursday</b> 25 July	Wei Shi Palingu Aponso Donna Schultz	Gabby Elliott (Team Captain)	Allison Kay
<b>Friday</b> 26 July	Natasha Kalinina Sirie Pamos	Jo Wong (Team Captain)	Jodie Curtis

## 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

### Art Show

Friday 19 July

### BGS Open Day

Saturday 20 July

### BGS Golf Day

Friday 23 August

### BGSOBA Annual Reunion Dinner

Saturday 31 August

### P&F Auxiliary Spring Luncheon

Friday 25 October

### Speech Day

Wednesday 13 November

### Willow Club Test Breakfast

Friday 22 November



# 50th Annual BGS Art Show 'Aurum'

The word "AURUM" is displayed in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. It is centered within a white rectangular border. The background of the graphic is split horizontally: the top half is a dark, textured blue, and the bottom half is a bright, textured yellow-gold, resembling molten metal or a rocky surface.

We're anticipating a great night and thank our artists, sponsors and volunteers; we couldn't produce such a wonderful show without you.

For those who can't attend the Gala opening tonight, please join us tomorrow between 10.00am and 3.00pm, when the exhibition is accessible during BGS Open Day.

[Click here](#) to purchase tickets or to view the online catalogue of works for sale at the show.

The Brisbane Grammar School Art Support Group gratefully acknowledges our sponsors:

## PLATINUM



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## BRONZE



## Thanks again to our Bronze sponsors:



### Brisbane Gastro

Brisbane Gastro is a bespoke personal medical practice specialising in gastroenterology, nutrition, liver diseases, endoscopy, colonoscopy and fibroscan. Dr Tony Rahman and Dr Ruth Hodgson are current and past BGS parents. Both partners have years of experience, were trained at leading centres in the UK, and provide public services at the Prince Charles Hospital. Brisbane Gastro is based at Brisbane Private Hospital in Spring Hill, with additional consultations and procedures at North West Private Hospital in Everton Park.



### Gerbino's Pasticceria

Gerbino's is an authentic Italian bakery and pastry shop specialising in Sicilian pastry such as cannoli, paste di mandorla and Italian torta. They are housed in one of the oldest bakeries in Brisbane, located at 166 Ashgrove Ave, Ashgrove. Gerbino's make their meat pies by hand, bake traditional favourites such as lamingtons and custard tarts, and have an extensive range of gluten-free treats. Gerbino's bake everything from scratch, with no preservatives.



### Moreton Hire

Moreton Hire is the country's leading exhibition and events supplier, servicing businesses and special events nationwide with the most diverse range available. Their complete product and service offerings include marquees, furniture hire, linen, expo stands, custom fabrication, signage, audiovisual, lighting, catering equipment, displays and event design.



### Print Media Group

Print Media Group (PMG) is one of Australia's corporate print and logistics specialists. They are a proudly 100% Australian owned and operated family business, with a history dating back to 1892. PMG manages the entire process of print and logistics – from concept to online ordering, print, procurement, fulfilment, warehousing, delivery and costs reconciliation. PMG has a national presence with extensive manufacturing, warehousing and distribution facilities located around Australia.



### XP Esports

XP Esports is a pioneering events and marketing company dedicated to the professional development of Esports players, from a grassroots level. Their focus is on growing the Esports scene in Australia and providing young talent with the opportunity to hone their skills and work towards competing at a professional level. XP Esports' have successfully formed partnerships with major sporting, including The Brisbane Roar.

# U11 GPS RUGBY GALA DAY

8AM | SATURDAY 20 JULY 2019  
BGS PLAYING FIELDS, NORTHGATE

- Meet Reds and Wallabies Players
- Introduction/Grading for GPS Rugby 2019
- Giveaways

TIME	FIELD 2A		FIELD 2B		FIELD 3A		FIELD 3B	
8.00AM	ACGS 11D	NC 11 GOLD	GT 11F	ACGS 11E	GT 11D	IGS 11B	GT 11E	NC 11 WHITE
8.25AM	GT 11B	ACGS 11B	BGS 11B	BBC 11B	ACGS 11C	BBC 11C	GT 11A	NC 11A
8.50AM	ACGS 11A	BBC 11A	BGS 11A	IGS 11A	TSS 11C	NC 11 BLUE	TSS 11B	NC 11C
9.15AM	TSS 11A	NC 11B	GT 11C	TGS 11A	GT 11D	ACGS 11D	NC 11 WHITE	ACGS 11E
9.40AM	GT 11F	TSS 11C	NC 11 GOLD	BBC 11C	NC 11A	ACGS 11A	GT 11A	BBC 11A
10:05AM	GT 11B	IGS 11A	GT 11E	BGS 11B	NC 11 BLUE	IGS 11B	BBC 11B	TSS 11B
10:30AM	BGS 11A	TSS 11A	GT 11C	ACGS 11C	NC 11C	TGS 11A	NC 11B	ACGS 11B

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# Year 10 Family Trivia Night



Parents and boys are invited to join us for a fun night to support BGS community work in Cambodia. A BBQ burger is included in the ticket price. Non-alcoholic drinks are available for purchase. You are welcome to bring along nibbles, dessert and drinks for your table. Please bring cash and gold coins for games and raffles.

## ***Date***

Saturday 10 August

## ***Time***

6.00 - 10.00pm

## ***Tickets***

\$30.00 each

## ***Venue***

Centenary Hall, Brisbane Grammar School

**RSVP [here](#)**

by Monday 5 August 2019

**For more information please contact  
Year 10 Parent Representatives**

**Gemma Ruddell and Melina Vrettos E [gemmaruddell@hotmail.com](mailto:gemmaruddell@hotmail.com)**



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL PRESENTS

# 100 WAYS TO SURVIVE THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE



Thursday 15 August – 7pm

Friday 16 August – 7pm

Sunday 18 August – 2pm

Pre-show drinks available from 6pm  
(evening shows only)

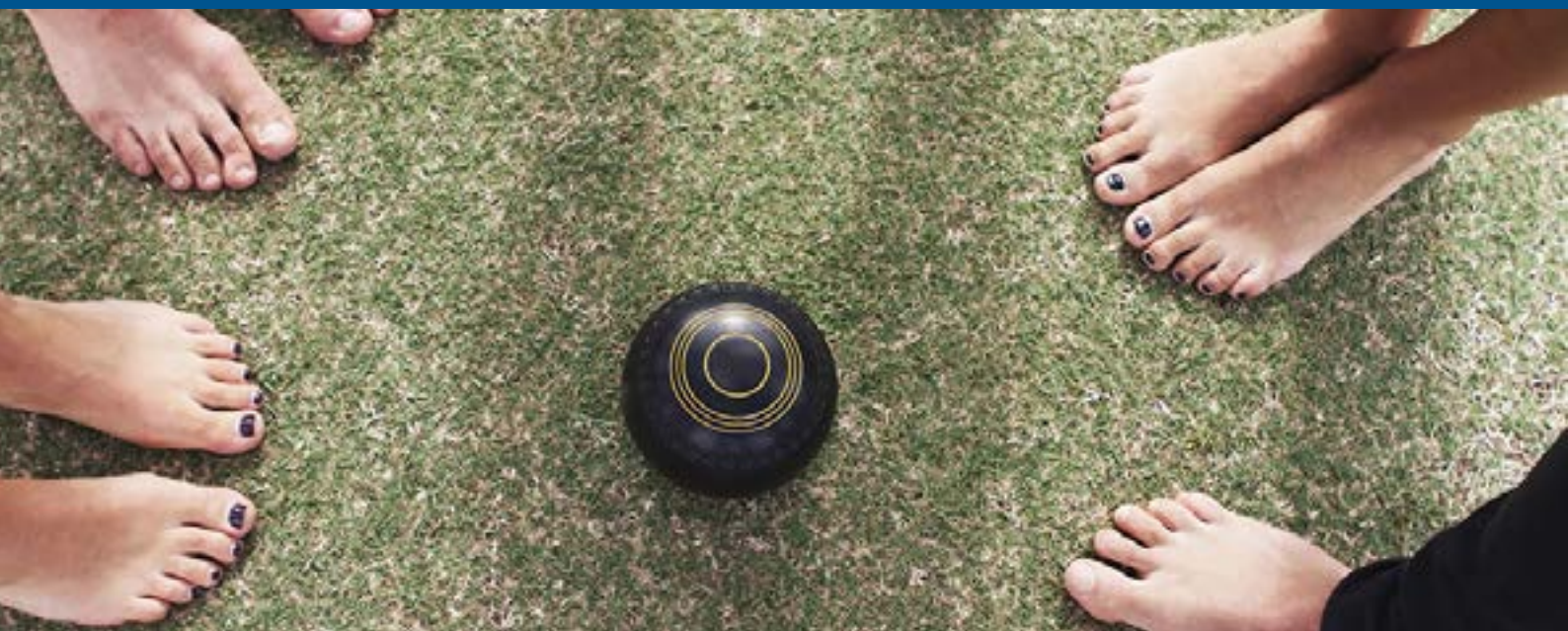
Adult – \$25    Student/Concession – \$15

Tickets available via MyGrammar in Term 3.



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# Year 7 Family Gathering



**You are invited to join Year 7 families for Barefoot Bowls at Red Hill Community Sports Club on Sunday 18 August. All family members are welcome. Pizza and nibbles will be served and drinks can be purchased at the bar.**

## ***Date***

Sunday 18 August 2019

## ***Time***

1.30pm to 4.00pm

## ***Tickets***

\$10.00 per person

## ***Venue***

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

**RSVP [here](#)**

by Monday 12 August 2019

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

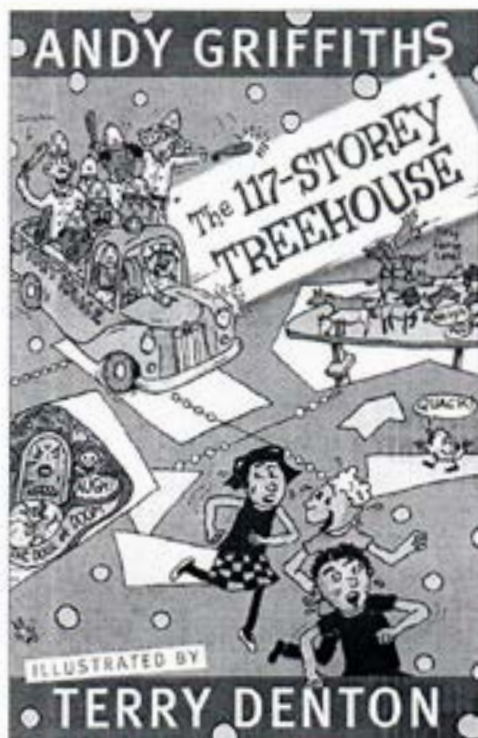
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# ANDY GRIFFITHS and TERRY DENTON

## The 117-STOREY TREEHOUSE

WONDERFULLY WILD AND WACKY NEW ADVENTURES  
IN THE BESTSELLING TREEHOUSE SERIES



RRP \$19.99

**PRICE \$10.99!**

Dear parent or guardian,

Your child is attending the Andy Griffiths Author Talk hosted by Dymocks Brisbane City at Brisbane Grammar School on the 30<sup>th</sup> July! Please complete the payment form below to pre-order a copy of the brand new '117-Storey Treehouse' book for \$10.99! When you pre-order and pay in full you will also receive a **FREE** copy of Andy Griffiths' book 'Just Tricking'!

Please have your forms returned to the school by Friday 26 July.

Sincerely,  
Dymocks Brisbane City



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CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# BGS Golf Day

## 23 August 2019

### Tee up your team!

The BGS community is invited to participate in the 2019 BGS Golf Day on Friday 23 August 2019.

We are raising funds for bursaries for boys who have the scholastic ability, but not the financial means to attend the School.

If you are interested in **donating a prize**, contact the Community Relations Office on 3834 5206 or [communityrelations@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:communityrelations@brisbanegrammar.com)

**Sponsorship opportunities also available.**

**Golf Registration**

**Sponsorship Proposal**



**For more information please contact**

**T +61 7 3834 5206 E [carla.hardy@brisbanegrammar.com](mailto:carla.hardy@brisbanegrammar.com)**



# P&F Auxiliary

## Connect – Care – Contribute

The P&F Auxiliary is a subcommittee of the P&F Association that facilitates fundraising and fosters parent fellowship and the sense of strong community that abounds at Brisbane Grammar School. All profits are returned to the School to enhance the experience for students and families.

### Volunteers

Welcome back to all our volunteers, and especially to Danielle our new Tuckshop volunteer as of Wednesday. We're glad to have you join us!

### Tuckshop update

Menu changes this term: we are adding a Bao Bun with pork on Mondays with a few other minor menu changes on other days.

### Grammar Shop update

Sports Uniforms are now available in store for all Term 3 sports:

- Rugby
- Basketball
- Gymnastics
- Track and Field

#### Regular opening hours are:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday	7.30am-11.00am
Tuesday and Thursday	7.30am-9.00am

### Grammar Shop Book Sale

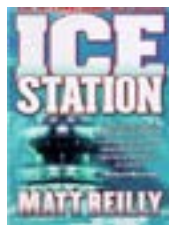
[Click to see our flyer](#) showing some great prices on surplus books!

**Joanne Villiers**  
**P&F Auxiliary**

### Cake Stall | Saturday 20 July

The BGS Cake Stall committee is looking for keen bakers to donate to the stall for Open Day tomorrow, Saturday 20 July. They will be selling cupcakes, brownies, biscuits, cakes, fudge, sweets, loaves, jams and preserves. Please contact convener Peggy Ekeledo-Smith at [bgscakestall@gmail.com](mailto:bgscakestall@gmail.com) or 0401 932 216. Proceeds will go to BGS sailing.





## GRAMMAR SHOP BOOK SALE **UPDATE**

BOOKS AVAILABLE AT **BELOW** COST PRICING

### NOVELS

Someone Like Me	Elaine Forrestal	<del>\$14</del> <b>\$10</b>
Ice Station	Matthew Reilly	<del>\$15</del> <b>\$10</b>
The Kite Runner	Khaled Hosseini	<del>\$18</del> <b>\$10</b>
Deadly Unna?	Phillip Gwynne	<del>\$16</del> <b>\$10</b>
The Silver Linings Playbook	Matthew Quick	<del>\$16</del> <b>\$10</b>
Million Dollar Baby	F.X. Toole	<del>\$16</del> <b>\$10</b>
The Dispossessed	Ursula Le Guin	<del>\$19</del> <b>\$10</b>
The Children of Men	P. D. James	<del>\$16</del> <b>\$10</b>
Life of Pi	Yann Martel	<del>\$16</del> <b>\$10</b>

### TEXT / STUDY

Oxford Atlas O Book	<del>\$35</del> <b>\$20</b>
Chinese Made Easy Workbook 1 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ed)	<del>\$31</del> <b>\$20</b>
Chinese Made Easy Textbook 1	<del>\$35</del> <b>\$20</b>
Obento Supreme Workbook (3 <sup>rd</sup> Ed)	<del>\$31</del> <b>\$20</b>
Obento Supreme	<del>\$39</del> <b>\$20</b>

# BGS150 memorabilia

*Light Dark Blue: 150 Years of Learning and Leadership at Brisbane Grammar School* is available for purchase now. The beautiful 500-page hardcover book updates the BGS story with previously untold anecdotes, rare photographs and illustrations. With a limited print run, it is sure to become a sought after collector's item. Standard edition and limited editions are available.

[Click here](#) to order *Light Dark Blue*.

[Click here](#) to view all BGS150 memorabilia – limited stocks remain.

## BGS150 History Book **Purchase now**





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