



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Ed Roper

Teaching as a profession is changing. Aside from the impact of technology, significant change is being driven by research into ‘what works better in schools’.

Researchers, such as Robert Marzano in the United States and John Hattie from New Zealand, have reviewed numerous studies to determine how to get the best return on society’s significant investment of time and money into education.

As this work has filtered down from the halls of academia, teachers have incorporated evidence-based strategies and approaches to accommodate ‘what works better’ with students in the classroom.

Teachers also see their role in a new light. Where they may have once been driven by experience and intuition, many teachers now consider themselves researchers; looking to what the research says about effective approaches and how they might incorporate these ideas into their teaching.

We have been following these developments closely at BGS. Over the past 10 years, we have developed infrastructure and conditions that encourage teachers to develop their craft. Last week I attended the meeting of the Auxiliary Executive to describe the support we are providing for our teachers.

One way we support teaching development is through our work with the US-based Danielson Organisation. The Danielson Organisation has helped us adapt its Framework for Teaching to the professional standards for teachers in Australia. This provides a developmental guide for teachers at BGS as they progress through the stages of basic, to proficient, to distinguished teaching.

The School also recognises the powerful role teachers play as researchers. Every teacher now creates and implements a Teaching Development Plan (TDP) each year. In their plans, teachers develop goals for improvement based on informed ‘hunches’ of what will positively impact student learning, engagement and wellbeing. In addition, teaching staff engage in professional learning every Monday afternoon from 3.15pm and during weekly timetabled meetings of their professional learning teams, which are an important collaborative learning opportunity.

Teachers have long recognised that several variables can impact students’ learning outcomes, from socio-economic background to the amount of pre-school reading that a child experiences. Most of these background factors are beyond the School’s influence; however, we can always work to develop better teaching practices. At BGS, our professional reputation enables us to attract well-credentialed and intelligent teachers, who we provide with the encouragement and support that enables them to continue their development. Our goal is to ensure the best possible outcomes for students and the best possible working environment for our staff.

Have your say – BGS Traffic Management Survey 2019

We strongly encourage Brisbane Grammar School parents and guardians to complete the [BGS Traffic Management Survey 2019 here](#).

The survey, accessible on desktop or mobile devices, takes approximately four minutes to complete and will provide vital data to inform the School’s traffic management plans.

BGS is working closely with BGS and the Brisbane City Council to ensure the safety of our students and provide smoother transit for our families. Both schools have already made changes this term to address traffic congestion at drop-off and pick-up times. We hope that you have noticed some improvement.

This survey allows you to comment on these changes and provide information on your family’s travel arrangements to and from BGS.

Deputy Headmaster – Students

David Carroll

Last Friday, I spoke to a Year 9 class about their week-long camp at Moogerah. The boys' feedback was positive, with many wanting to return later in the year. Our Outdoor Education program is forging ahead and I congratulate our staff on the range of experiences and challenges they give the boys. These experiences are integral to developing well-rounded BGS students.

Our Student Wellbeing program is designed to develop boys' leadership skills; a philosophy that underpins the Outdoor Education and Public Purpose programs. In 2020, Year 11 students will have the opportunity to enhance these skills as year level camp leaders. The year level camp leader application and training program will prepare them for senior student leadership roles in 2021.

Outdoor Education also helps the boys develop an understanding of Indigenous history and current issues, such as Closing the Gap.

Last Friday was also the 2019 NAIDOC assembly. Thank you to our guests Dave Spillman and former School Vice Captain Benny Wilson '03. Dave and Benny are proud Indigenous men who helped to formalise and progress the School's Closing the Gap strategy. Thank you also to Ms Philippa Douglas, Mrs Angela Dunn, Mr Jon Hodges, Mr Nick Byron, Ms Kimberley Kovacevic, and other staff responsible for preparing the presentation.



Director of Boarding

Berian Williams-Jones

The House Family model is fundamental to the wellbeing of the Harlin House community. Over the past three years, we have established small groups under the leadership of our Boarding Tutors to focus on the individual progress of each boy.

This initiative provides an additional layer of support to that offered by Mr Nick Byron, Mr Tom Christie, our resident staff, Houseparents and myself. These multiple sources of support enhance the recognition of each boy's strengths and interests.

Thank you to our Boarding Tutors Mr Di-Losa, Mr Hales, Mr Hallis, Mr Jovanovich, Ms Miller, Mr O'Kane, Mr Shears, Mr Warwick and Mr Venter. The team works hard to support our boarders and facilitates the synergy between the day school and Harlin House. They also coordinate fun activities for the boys, including next week's putt-putt evening at Victoria Park.

Every term, I meet with each House Family to discuss their progression and gain feedback. The boys are proud to have a voice within the boarding community and use this opportunity to shape and evolve our future efforts. I continue to be inspired and encouraged by their contributions.

Thank you to Kieran Saunders for providing practical feedback. We now strip beds on Wednesday morning and put new sheets and pillowcases in place when the boys return from school. This change allows the recovery of all linen and alleviates the boarder's onerous system.

We endeavour to use the House Family structure to evolve and facilitate an environment of connection and belonging.

Did you know?

A **bursary** is a monetary award that is **granted on the basis of financial need**.

Bursaries are funded by donations

Scholarships are merit-based and are **awarded for academic, cultural or sporting achievement** and are funded by the School.

Our
2020
Vision



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Director of Outdoor Education

Derek Jervis

9G has been a standout class in the Outdoor Education program. The students have been engaged in all the lessons and activities, have been supportive and cohesive, and have demonstrated the values and virtues of leading self.

Benjy Kerrigan was lively and enthusiastic towards all outdoor activities. He was a great team member at the campsite and provided warm fires thanks to his efforts collecting wood. William Jordan and Toby Davison modelled the virtues of leading self. They showed initiative, took responsibility and demonstrated independence throughout the week.

Tyler Pearn was a considerate and helpful student. He showed empathy towards his peers and went out of his way to help others. Congratulations to Joshua Yuan for stepping out of his comfort zone during the program and involving himself in new experiences. Joshua demonstrated self-discipline and a willingness to engage in the activities.

Alexander Graves was comfortable and capable in the outdoors. He was instrumental in campsite set up and fire lighting. Alex was a reliable student and took the time to learn the four knots involved in the knot-tying competition to finish victorious.

Tom Ricato and Ben Mooney were also excellent team members. They completed the domestic duties of washing up, cleaning, and collecting wood without complaining and helped their group at every opportunity.

Year 12 senior leaders Finn Murrell-Edwards, Lachie Springfield and Thien Bui made a strong leadership team. They were proactive, reliable and showed great initiative while mentoring the boys through the experience.

Mr Simon Conway, Ms Belinda Lindsay and Ms Claire Pepper-Rogers joined the class on Thursday and supported the boys through the high ropes course challenge.

Click to view the [9G photos](#) and [9G video](#) of the boy's experiences.

The Moogerah Committee Working Bee | Saturday 17 August

Please join us for the Moogerah Committee Working Bee on Saturday 17 August. We will focus on Bitenbar, the School's new Outdoor Education property. To volunteer and support the community, please contact the Committee President Mr Will Siganto on 0411 741 001 or will.siganto@postconrisk.com.au.



Director of Student Wellbeing Programs

Philippa Douglas

Relationships and Sexuality Education

On Monday, Dr Tessa Opie spoke to boys in Years 7, 9 and 11 about relationships and sexuality. She talked to boys about the social climate that feeds misleading and often harmful messages about sex and relationships. Dr Opie challenged boys to consider their relationship values, attitudes, and expectations. We hope that by engaging boys in robust and pragmatic discussions, they will be empowered to make good choices and establish safe personal boundaries for themselves and others.

Brisbane Grammar School is committed to working with parents and caregivers to equip students with the skills they need. A great deal of work is currently underway to ensure our Student Wellbeing curriculum addresses the issues of respectful relationships and sexuality education through an age-appropriate program.

Healthy, respectful relationships are something we all want for young people. As parents and educators, we are concerned that it is increasingly easier to make, share and access explicit sexual material with new technologies. This issue raises concerns for their optimal social and sexual development and wellbeing.

It isn't always easy talking to children about this topic, but it is an essential conversation that we must be brave enough to initiate.

I received many positive emails during the week from parents asking for further information about how they can best support their children. Resources on the following topics are available on MyGrammar:

- How to start the talk?
- How can you make a difference?
- Online resources to use with your child
- Online parenting resources.



If you have any questions or wish to discuss these issues, please feel free to contact me at philippa.douglas@brisbanegrammar.com.

Special Report: The Hunting - TV Series

The Hunting is a drama series that follows the lives of four young Australians as they explore the complexities of relationships, identity and sexuality via technology. The series follows the lead-up, revelation and aftermath of an inappropriate teen photo scandal and the impact it has on the students, teachers and families involved.

The series is highly relevant, with research from La Trobe University stating that 26% of teens have sent a sexual image or video of themselves to someone else.

The Hunting aims to promote discussion and awareness to minimise harm. Experts suggest that conversations about online safety should start in the home and should occur as soon as a parent hands over a mobile device to a child. This message should be reinforced constantly throughout their educational journey.

In the *Special Report: The Hunting – TV Series*, parents and caregivers are encouraged to have conversations with their children about the issues of online safety and the potential harm of image sharing and cyberbullying. You can access the *Parent Viewer's Guide* [here](#) and the *Special Report* [here](#).

Director of Student Services

Dale Nicholas

2019 International Universities Evening | Thursday 29 August 2019

Students are increasingly seeking overseas university study to increase their global perspectives and employability. The International Universities Evening will showcase university representatives from North America, Asia, Europe, and the UK. The event will provide answer questions about admissions processes, scholarships and courses. Students will also gain insight into life at the represented universities.

Participating universities include Harvard University, Cambridge University, Boulder University Colorado, Princeton University, Transylvania University, Temple University Japan, Nagoya University, Yale-NUS College, Durham University, University of St Andrews and Ecole Hoteliere Lausanne – Switzerland.

Event Details

Date: Thursday 29 August 2019

Time: 5.00pm - 7.00pm

Price: Free

Venue: McCrae Grassie Sports Centre, Brisbane Girls Grammar School, Gregory Terrace, Brisbane

Participants: Students and parents of Years 10, 11 and 12

Please [click here](#) to obtain your tickets.

Deputy Head – Co-Curriculum

Greg Thorne

Last weekend, BGS teams competed against Brisbane Boys' College across three sports and activities. I witnessed both exhilaration and disappointment throughout these fixtures. I watched teams execute good strategy and stay positive at crucial moments; ultimately succeeding in their contest.

I observed coaches doing their best to find positives and pointing out focus areas for each boy. Outstanding coaches are a fascinating study. Their ability to influence outcomes in competitive setting is obvious. How they go about their work is where the real magic lies.

The best schoolboy coaches have at least one common characteristic: they care about the students. This shows in their patience, their poise, and their tone and language with the students.

Following a contentious result on Saturday, one of our BGS coaches gathered their disappointed team and used the coaching influence in a powerful way. Instead of leading a chorus of boys, parents and fellow coaches to challenge the decisions of the game officials, this coach chose a far stronger ground to stand on.

At that critical moment, his words were positive. He decided to put the boys and their learning first. He spoke to the students and parents of his pride in specific aspects of the game that demonstrated their character and growth as individuals.

He put the game into perspective and used his influence as a lens through which boys could re-focus their perceptions and reflect on their entire performance.

That team will be better this week as a result of the coach's skills. No learning or personal growth would have occurred if the coach had chosen the easy, negative path in the post-match analysis. I commend that coach and all our coaches who prepare and steward our boys through their co-curricular learning; win, lose or draw.

There are many outstanding Co-Curriculum achievements at this time of year. In the articles that follow and across our social media platforms, you will hear more about GPS Music, QDU Debating, GPS Chess, Athletics and the Middle School Dramatic Production, which opens in the coming week.

Thank you to the parents for the continued support of your son's broad liberal education at this busy and productive time.

Co-Curriculum Major Photo Day | Thursday 15 August

Photos of co-curricular activities, music ensembles and some sports teams are on Thursday 15 August, the day after the Ekka Holiday. Boys in makeup photos for Cricket, Fencing, Music and Football will need their appropriate sports uniform. Music students will need a white shirt and tie.

Please see the Major Photo Day schedule in this newsletter or on MyGrammar for photo times. A second photo day for remaining activities will be held in Term 4 on Thursday 10 October.

Unless specified by your coach or supervising teacher, boys are to wear full winter uniform (minus hat) for activities photos. Please consult your coach or teacher if you have any questions.

Rugby

Rugby Photos | Saturday 10 August at Northgate

Rugby team photos will be taken tomorrow, Saturday 10 August at Northgate. Boys should arrive 10 minutes before their team's scheduled photo time wearing full playing uniform.

Game Time	Photo Time	Team	Game Oval
9.00am	8.00am	16C	2A
9.00am	8.05am	15C	3B
9.00am	8.10am	14B	3A
9.00am	8.15am	13B	6
10.00am	8.55am	16B	2A
10.00am	9.00am	15B	3B
10.00am	9.05am	14A	1
10.00am	9.10am	14C	3A
10.00am	9.15am	13A	6
10.00am	9.20am	11C	2B
11.00am	10.00am	Fourth XV	2A
11.00am	10.05am	15A	1
11.00am	10.10am	12B	3A
11.00am	10.20am	11B	2B
12.00pm	11.00am	Third XV	2A
12.00pm	11.05am	16A	1
12.00pm	11.10am	12A	3A
12.00pm	11.15am	11A	2B
1.00pm	11.50am	Second XV	1



Team photos will be taken at the designated time with very little time to wait for latecomers. Players and coaches are to assemble in the photo assembly area (behind the hill north of the grandstand) where the photographers can easily see you and speak with you – not some distance away (i.e. **do not assemble** directly behind the grandstand or the hill south of the grandstand).

If raining, photos will be taken on the verandah off the Otto Nothing room in the main grandstand. You are to be ready in full player uniform, neat and tidy, five minutes before your photo is scheduled.

Basketball

BGS First V Results

Last Saturday, BGS Basketball played the second round of the season against Brisbane Boys' College. BGS came away from the competitive round with 18 wins. A highlight of the day was the 9A team's 19-point win, led by James Eccelston. The 7As also had a great win after a strong performance from George Mercer.

The BGS First V was aware of the physical challenge presented by their BBC opponents. The team struggled to find an offensive rhythm during the game and could not counter the BBC offence. Ned McConnell and Louis Quin both demonstrated persistence throughout the whole match.

Other notable mentions from the day include Nick Teng and Marc Wang, who played efficiently at the rim and behind the arc. Although we did not show the assertiveness and control we aimed for, the match provided valuable game time for younger members of the squad.

Thank you to all the boys who supported the First V during a tough game.

This week, BGS will take on Churchie in another challenging round.

Sebastian Porras Captain of Basketball

Chess

On Tuesday, a number of BGS Chess boys competed in Round 3 of the Brisbane Interschools Chess Competition. The BGS Premier Team drew against a very strong Churchie team and finished second overall in the Premier Division. Congratulations to team members Sze-Yong Ng, Nadula Tennakoon, Jaden Teow and Tony Zhong. The team has now qualified to compete in the Premier Division of the State Championship in Term 4.

Congratulation to Evan Findlay for receiving a Merit ribbon. All BGS players performed admirably.

The competition provided sound preparation ahead of today's GPS fixture against Churchie.

Peter Brunckhorst MiC Chess



Swimming

Congratulations, Cashy Luo

In late July, Year 5 student Cashy Luo competed at the Australian School Sports Swimming Championships in Melbourne. He raced in three individual events and two relays.

Cashy won a gold medal in the Freestyle relay and a silver medal in the Medley relay. He also won bronze in the 50m Butterfly and qualified for the finals in all his events.

Cashy finished in fifth place in the 100m Butterfly with a personal best time, which was only 0.26 seconds behind third place.

Congratulations on this outstanding result.



2019 Brisbane Senior Short Course Championships

Last week, 10 BGS students joined the Brisbane Grammar Swimming Club at Chandler for the 2019 Brisbane Senior Short Course Championships.

A highlight of the competition was watching Year 9 student Josh Anderson produce substantial personal bests, including finishing third in the 200m Breaststroke final with a 9.49 second personal best time of 2.33.43.

Congratulations to our first place swimmers Alexander Fenton (100m Backstroke – 16 years), Henry Sommerville (50m Breaststroke – 16 years) and Gus Wittomee (200m Butterfly – 16 years).

Well done to swimmers Thomas Brittain, Alexander Endycott, Joshua Anderson, Thomas Brittain, William Jordan, Henry Nelson, James Randall and Edward Sommerville.

I was very proud of how the BGS boys handled themselves throughout the weekend in a very professional manner. It is an exciting time for BGS Swimming, as we work towards the 2019 McDonalds Queensland Short Course Championships on Friday 16 August through to Sunday 18 August.

Bobby Jovanovich
Director of Middle School Swimming
National Age Head Coach

Football

Wembley Club Annual General Meeting | Thursday 29 August 2019 at 6.00pm

The BGS Football support group, the Wembley Club, invites parents to attend the Annual General Meeting on Thursday 29 August 2019 at 6.00pm in the Woolcock Room.

The Wembley Club welcomes any parents and Old Boys wishing to support the School's outstanding Football program. For further information, please contact Julie Farr at farrfamily89@gmail.com.

Tennis

Super League

Super League competition players have started strong and gained match experience for upcoming tournaments and events.

If you are unable to play this Saturday, please ensure you contact Harry.Lee@brisbanegrammar.com.

If you would like to join the Super League competition, please email tennis@brisbanegrammar.com.

Wimbledon Club Annual General Meeting | Wednesday 21 August at 6.15pm

The Wimbledon Club invites the Tennis community to the Annual General Meeting at the BGS Tennis Centre on Wednesday 21 August at 6.15pm.

Michael Fancutt
Director of Tennis

Rowing

2020 GPS Rowing Season

Years 7 to 11 boys are invited to sign on for the 2020 Rowing season. [Click here to sign on](#).

Information about BGS Rowing is available on MyGrammar. After signing on, you will automatically receive updates about the Rowing season.

BGS Rowing Information Evening | Thursday 15 August

All members of the community are invited to the BGS Rowing information evening on **Thursday 15 August, 6.30pm – 7.30pm in The Lilley Centre Forum**. The evening will focus on new rowers, but senior rowers are also welcome.

The Rowing support group, Tipperoo, will also explain how you can get involved to assist the Rowing community and outline this season's fundraising goals. We look forward to seeing you there.

Learn to Row Day | Sunday 8 September at Wyaralong Dam

Years 7 to 11 students new to Rowing are invited to a free Learn to Row Day on Sunday 8 September.

For catering and logistics, please enrol for the day. The boys will have the opportunity to practice the basics at Wyaralong Dam before training commences on the Brisbane River in Term 4.

[Click here to enrol in the Learn to Row Day](#).

For further information, please contact Matt.Marden@brisbanegrammar.com or the Rowing Shed on 07 3834 5372.

Matt Marden
Director of Rowing

Music

GPS Music Day of Excellence

Brisbane Grammar School was thrilled to host the annual GPS Music Day of Excellence this week. As mentioned by the Head of Middle School in the following article, BGS was very well represented and made the School proud. The boys worked hard but enjoyed the experience and developed as young musicians.

Well done, boys.

Senior Strings Festival | Tuesday 13 August 6.30pm in the Great Hall

Everyone is warmly invited to attend this year's Senior Strings Festival concert. We have over 100 of the finest string players from several South East Queensland schools participating.

Several schools, including the BGS Chamber Strings, will present short standalone programs. They will then present a wonderful selection of professional-standard string repertoire as a combined ensemble.

You will be astounded at what these young people can achieve with just a few days of rehearsal. We wish them all the best and thank our Director of Orchestras Mr Stephen Chin for all his hard work. It will be spectacular.

Acting Head of Middle School

Rebecca Campbell

On Tuesday night, I had the pleasure of attending the Junior GPS Music Day of Excellence concert. I congratulate all staff and students who were involved in this event. The boys enjoyed the opportunity to collaborate with students from the GPS community. It was hard to believe that the students had only practiced together from 8.30am on the day of the event. The calibre of the performances was extraordinary and showcased our boys' many talents. Thank you to Mr Peter Ingram and the BGS Music Department for hosting the 2019 Junior GPS Music Day of Excellence.



On Wednesday, the Boarders' Lawn was transformed into a reading wonderland as we celebrated our second Library on the Lawn. It was fantastic to see our staff and students celebrate reading in such an enthusiastic way. The costumes were outstanding, and we were fortunate to host author Samantha Wheeler for the morning. Thank you to our teacher librarians, Ms Vicki Palmer and Ms Dani Smith for organising Library on the Lawn for our Year 5 students.



Today, we welcomed home our Year 6 Canberra trip students. They enjoyed amazing weather at Perisher for their ski day and visited various locations in our nation's capital. I will write more about the Canberra trip in next week's newsletter.

ISCF Camps

All Middle School students are invited to attend the annual Inter-School Christian Fellowship camps at Moogerah during the first week of the September holidays. Three camps will be held on:

- Friday 20 September - Monday 23 September
- Monday 23 September - Wednesday 25 September
- Wednesday 25 September - Friday 27 September

ISCF is an interdenominational Christian group that gives students the opportunity to learn and think about the spiritual dimension of life. The camps allow students to engage in fun activities with their peers during the school holidays. Students do not need to formally join the ISCF group and can take part in any activity that takes their interest, regardless of their beliefs.

Camp forms have been distributed to students and can also be obtained by visiting Mr Ian Grice or contacting him at the below email address. Completed forms are due by Monday 9 September. Please return the forms as soon as possible for planning purposes. Student numbers are limited and only a small number of places remain.

For further information, please contact the Head of Middle School Curriculum at Ian.Grice@brisbanegrammar.com or on 3834 5318.

Ian Grice
Head of Middle School Curriculum

Middle School Sport

This week was challenging for the BGS Middle School sporting teams due to many students, teachers and coaches being away on the annual Canberra trip.

Thank you to the remaining staff and coaches running training sessions for the boys ahead of this week's fixtures against Churchie.

I encourage all Year 6 parents to ensure their sons attend games, despite feeling fatigued after a tiring week away.

Rugby

This Saturday, BGS compete against Churchie in the second home game of the season. Churchie has traditionally presented strong Junior and Middle School Rugby teams. The BGS boys will need to play their best in this competitive round.

The BGS Rugby support group, the Normanby Blues, are seeking parent volunteers. The group works hard to provide the boys with resources that make our Rugby program the safest and best it can be. The support of new and enthusiastic Middle School parents will ensure the longevity of this vital group.

Please check MyGrammar for team selections and match details.

Last week's results against Brisbane Boys' College are below.

Team	Winning Team	Team	Winning Team	Team	Winning Team
11A	BGS	12A	Draw	13A	BBC
11B	BBC	12B	BGS		BBC
11C	BGS				

Player of the Week					
11A	Lachlan Russell	12A	Max Romer	13A	Barclay Colins
11B	Alec Bunce	12B	Aidan Lee	13B	Thomas Ruddle
11C	Elliot Gillman				

Basketball

Brisbane Boys' College always provides a challenging round for the BGS Basketball teams. The Middle School teams were confident of a strong performance against BBC, following the previous week's success against Ipswich Grammar School.

A lack of winning BGS teams last Saturday showed that we still need to improve in critical areas to beat the top teams.

This Saturday, Churchie will provide strong competition for our teams. I am sure our boys will be up for the task.

All Middle School matches are away this week with games at Churchie, BBC and Nudgee College. Please check details on MyGrammar carefully to avoid confusion.

Team	Winning Team	Team	Winning Team	Team	Winning Team	Team	Winning Team
5A	BBC	6A	BBC	7A	BBC	8A	BBC
5B	BBC	6B	BBC	7B	BBC	8B	BGS
5C	BGS	6C	BGS	7C	BBC	8C	BGS
5D		6D	BGS	7D	BGS	8D	BGS
		6E	No Game	7E	BGS	8E	BGS

Player of the Week							
5A	Isaac Reid	6A	Angus Clarke	7A	George Mercer	8A	Daniel Jesser
5B	Tom Readdy	6B	Samuel Chan	7B	Hudson Pherous	8B	Toby Choi
5C	Matthew Amato	6C	Jack Van der Westhuizen	7C	Adam James	8C	Jack Matthews
5D	N/A	6D	Joseph Huang	7D	Thomas Poll	8D	Perry Irwin
		6E	No Game	7E	Ollie Shearer- Smith	8E	Ryan Wang

QDU Debating

Middle School debaters have progressed to the third round of finals next week. They will be on the negative side of a short preparation topic against an opponent to be decided later this week.

Glenn McFarlane
Director of Middle School Sport

Middle School Drama Production



One Week to Go

Rule #16: Opportunity knocks – and whenever it does, make sure you answer.

Your opportunity to see *10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse* is knocking – will you answer the call before it's too late?

Excitement is building as the performances dates draw closer for the Middle School Dramatic Production. The cast and crew have been working long hours to ensure they are performance-ready for audiences next week.

Tickets are available through the Events page on MyGrammar.

Performance Dates:

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

Patrick Last, Belinda Lindsay and Sarah McDonald
The Creative Team

Middle School Library

Library on the Lawn

On Wednesday, Year 5 students celebrated books in the sunshine at the annual Library on the Lawn. Boys arrived at the Boarders' Lawn wearing book character costumes including Percy Jackson, Chewbacca and Captain Underpants.

The staff also got into the spirit, with Mr Peter Hunter dressing as Harry Potter and Mrs Stella Gardner as Hermione. Mrs Lindy Mackintosh and Hugo Bennett made sure everyone knew where Wally was on the day.

During the morning, the boys completed trivia questions, had cupcakes with their morning tea and shared a favourite book with friends on their picnic rugs. The lawn featured wonderful decorations, including a polar bear, giant snails and an enormous lollipop.

Thank you to Australian Children's Author Samantha Wheeler who kindly joined us for the day dressed as Fern from *Charlotte's Web*. Sam mingled with the boys and spoke about her series of environmental stories and her unique encounter with 56 wombats!

The day provided a wonderful opportunity for boys to engage with the simple pleasure of reading.

Alice in Wonderland (aka Vicki Palmer) Teacher Librarian



Volunteer Roster

Week commencing Monday 12 August 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 Three	Tuckshop Breakfast 7.00am – 8.00am	Tuckshop Morning Tea 8.00am – 2.00pm	Grammar Shop
Monday 12 August	Sharne Tierney	Louise Rosemann (Team Captain)	Anna Sciacca
Tuesday 13 August	Helana Barrientos	Judith Edmunds (Team Captain)	Sam Harris
Wednesday 14 August	RNA Show Public Holiday		
Thursday 15 August	Julia Long Donna Schultz Bronwyn Jerrard	Christine Matheson (Team Captain)	Alison McConaghy
Friday 16 August	Alice Chiang Yeni Cook Sirie Palmos	Andrea Hurwood (Team Captain)	Janelle Munns

2019 Calendar

Term 3

Tuesday 16 July – Friday 20 September

Term 4

Tuesday 8 October – Friday 29 November

Upcoming Events

BGS Golf Day

Friday 23 August

BGSOBA Annual Reunion Dinner

Saturday 31 August

Celebrating our Community

Wednesday 16 October

P&F Auxiliary Spring Luncheon

Friday 25 October

Speech Day

Wednesday 13 November

Willow Club Test Breakfast

Friday 22 November

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

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers in the Tuckshop and Grammar shop this week, especially the new ladies. We look forward to meeting new volunteers who are coming for the tour on Tuesday 20 August. For more information, please [click here](#).

A special thank you to the two groups who served during the QCS trials. You all did a wonderful job across the busy days, and we really appreciate your help.

Please save the date for our volunteers evening on Wednesday 16 October 6.00pm – 8.00pm. The event is free and celebrates everything you do for the School.

Tuckshop update

Next week, we will introduce a new sausage and egg muffin to the breakfast menu.

Grammar Shop Payments

We remind parents about account options with the Grammar Shop.

Students are welcome to pay by cash or a debit/credit card. They can also call their parents to provide credit card details by phone at the time of purchase. However, to help us serve customers as efficiently as possible, we encourage students to have a physical means of payment ready.

Parents can place funds on student accounts in person at the shop, or by phoning the Grammar Shop Convenor on 07 3834 5347 after 8.30am with credit card details. Invoices will be emailed after each purchase to keep parents informed.

Credit balances over \$10.00 can be provided at any time on request, or when your student leaves the School. No minimum or maximum amount is required.

Please note the Grammar Shop cannot accept any funds placed on the student ID card or MSA system. This method is only for use at the Tuckshop and at printers/copiers.

Grammar Shop update

A reminder to those who have items at the Grammar Shop for embroidery – please check the list in MyGrammar to see whether your item is ready for collection. .

The list is located at MyGrammar > P&F Auxiliary > Uniforms > Embroidered item pick up list.

Joanne Villiers
P&F Auxiliary

Betty Howell Awards

2019 Nominations Open

Since Brisbane Grammar School's foundation in 1868, volunteers have contributed to the welfare and future of the School through their support and participation.

Each year at the Celebrating our Community event, BGS acknowledges the significant time and effort volunteers give to the School. An important element of this function is the presentation of the Betty Howell Awards.

Established in 2011, the Betty Howell Awards honour Mrs Joan Elizabeth (Betty) Howell, who had a 25-year association with the School as the wife of Maxwell A. Howell, Headmaster from 1965 to 1989. Betty was a passionate volunteer with the Art Support Group and the P&F Auxiliary Committee.

The award acknowledges community members who have given outstanding service through:

- voluntary assistance to the School;
- active participation in School life;
- initiation of new programs/activities to benefit the School; and
- support for the School's vision through encouragement and personal endeavour.

BGS is seeking nominations from the community to recognise volunteers for their exceptional service. Nominations are now open and close 1 September 2019. For information about the nomination process [click here](#).

The Celebrating our Community (volunteer recognition function) event and presentation of the Betty Howell Awards will occur on Wednesday 16 October 2019.

For further information, contact Advancement and Community Relations on 07 3834 5206 or communityrelations@brisbanegrammar.com.



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



Did you know?

All boys benefit from the diversity bursaries bring to BGS.



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL School Photos 2019



Photo day:

**Tuesday
13th August 2019**

**Class, Individual &
Sibling
photos**

Sibling Photos
**must be ordered by 12pm on
Monday
12th August**



Ordering Options:

Pay online with credit card or
paypal

[click here](#)

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Photo envelopes have been
handed out to students and are
to be handed to photographer on
photo day



Delivery:

Photos will be delivered to the
school in week 2 of term 4

Online orders placed after
August 28th,
will incur a \$10 late fee

Questions? Please contact us directly:

P: 0412 732 797

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Public Purpose



Patients In Need Program

This is a student-led project supporting the Patients in Need Program at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital. Students in Years 9, 11 and 12 are collecting donations of tracksuit pants and thongs to support patients needing hospital care. We are requesting donations for both males and females.

Collection bags will be located outside HOY and Director of Student Wellbeing Offices.

About the hospital

- Largest cancer care facility
- Largest neonatal care unit with NeoRESQ service
- Specially equipped burns unit with the highest burns survival rate in the world
- Specialised Intensive Care Unit
- Queensland's only multi-disciplinary Pain Clinic
- Queensland's busiest emergency department
- Internationally recognised research centres
 - Australian-first Burns, Trauma and Critical Care Research Centre
 - CRE REDUCE - Superbugs
 - Perinatal Research Centre
 - Queensland Motion Analysis Centre

About RBWH Foundation

- The charity arm of Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital
- Funds raised fill government funding gaps, allowing the RBWH to further medical research, develop leading technology and treatment methods, and provide optimal health care and services to its patients
- The Foundation relies heavily on the support of the community to raise funds

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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

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**

E rachelemery@optusnet.com.au



Join the BGS community at the 2019 BGS Golf Day on Friday 23 August. Hit a hole-in-one and win an Audi, thanks to Audi Centre Brisbane.

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.

Sponsorship opportunities also available.

Golf Registration

Sponsorship Proposal

Brisbane Grammar School gratefully acknowledges our Golf Day sponsors



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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Invitation

Student Wellbeing

Years 5 - 10 Parent Workshop



You are warmly invited to attend a series of workshops aimed at supporting your son's wellbeing.

Special guest Michael Knight from *Peer Power* will be presenting, along with members of our Student Wellbeing Team.

Date

Tuesday 27 August 2019

Time

6.00pm – 7.30pm

Location

The Lilley Centre Forum

Welcome and Introduction:

An overview of the Student Wellbeing Curriculum

Workshops

- Growing emotionally resilient boys
- Finding the balance with screen time
- Your son's journey through Years 7, 9 and 11
- Bullying and conflict resolution
- Key ingredients for success at school and beyond

Parents will be invited to attend three workshops on the evening. If there are specific questions you would like addressed, or if you have topic suggestions for our future Wellbeing Series, please email the PA to the Head of Middle School at the address below. Parking will be available in the staff car park accessed via College Road.

RSVP here

by Friday 16 August

**For more information please contact
PA to Head of Middle School, Dionn Bichel**

T 07 3834 5375 E dionn.bichel@brisbanegrammar.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Year 5 Parent Casual Morning Tea



**You are invited to join fellow Year 5 parents
for a casual morning tea.**

Date

Friday 30 August 2019

Time

8.30am - 10.30am

Venue

Buzz Bistro, Gasworks Plaza, 76 Skyring Terrace, Newstead

Morning tea at guest's own expense

RSVP [here](#)

by Wednesday 28 August

**For more information please contact
Year 5 Parent Representative:**

Rachael Dauber

E rachaeldauber@hotmail.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Invitation

Prospective Volunteers Morning Tea



Prospective Volunteers Morning Tea

In case you missed our previous volunteers' tour earlier this year, we will have another tour for all prospective volunteers on Tuesday 20 August. If you have been thinking of volunteering, please join us for a casual tour of the Tuckshop and Grammar Shop, followed by morning tea.

Date

Tuesday 20 August 2019

Time

9.00am - 10.30am

Location

Meet at the stairs at the front of the School near the Foundation Stone

RSVP here

By Thursday 15 August



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

BGS Debating End of Season Presentation 2019



Please join us in celebrating
the 2019 Debating season.

Date

Friday 30 August 2019

Time

7.00pm - 10.00pm

Tickets

\$75.00 per person
2 Course Meal
Cash Bar Available

Venue

Tattersalls Club
215 Queen Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

RSVP here

by Friday 23 August 2019

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

T 07 3834 5256 E louise.evans@brisbanegrammar.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

2019 BGS Rugby End of Season Function



Please help us in celebrating the 2019 GPS Rugby Season

Date

Saturday 14 September 2019

Venue

The Great Hall
Brisbane Grammar School
24 Gregory Terrace, Spring Hill.

Time

6.30pm - 9.30pm

Tickets

\$36 per person
(includes cocktail hors d'oeuvres and beverages)

[RSVP here](#)

RSVP Friday 6 September 2019

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

T 07 3834 5256 E louise.evans@brisbanegrammar.com



BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

2019 BGS Basketball End of Season Function



Please join us in celebrating the
2019 GPS Basketball Season

Date

Saturday 14 September 2019

Time

5.00pm - 7.00pm

Venue

The Lilley Centre,
Brisbane Grammar School
24 Gregory Terrace, Spring Hill

Tickets

\$36 per person
(includes gourmet BBQ and beverages)

RSVP here

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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL PRESENTS

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