

Newsletter

Week 7 Term 3

Friday 30 August 2019



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Music Festival



Australian Championships



QUT Science Excursion

Deputy Headmaster - Teaching and Learning Steve Uscinski

The end of an era in Queensland education is upon us. Next week, Year 12 students will sit the last ever Queensland Core Skills Test.

Over the years, many people have asked me what the 'secret' or 'key' is to our school's QCS Test preparation. My response is resolute: the best preparation for any test is a complete BGS education.

While I am occasionally accused of glibness, the enduring power of a BGS education speaks for itself. It is our shared commitment to a culture of learning that brings us together every day, year after year, to test our thinking and challenge ourselves with new knowledge and skills.

Brisbane Grammar School is the acknowledged leader in Queensland's secondary education sector, particularly throughout the 28 years of the Queensland Certificate of Education Overall Position (OP) system. Our primacy is a result of the learning culture that we – students, staff, parents – invest in every day. The demographics of senior education have changed around us: in 1992 over 80% of Year 12s sat the QCS Test as their tertiary pathway; now, less than 50% state-wide undertake this challenge.

At BGS, we remain proudly committed to 100% of our boys pursuing a broad liberal course of academic study and being OP eligible. We wish the Class of 2019 every success on Tuesday 3 September and Wednesday 4 September while they undertake the QCS Test. We look forward to sharing the outcomes of their efforts with you.

NAPLAN results have also received some attention this week, although a serious discussion and analysis of the tests and how they might be used to improve student learning has been conspicuously absent from the coverage.

While we are naturally pleased at the strong results of our 2019 Years 5, 7 and 9 students across the various literacy and numeracy domains, BGS is committed to using NAPLAN for its intended purpose: to identify and target specific gaps in the knowledge of students and to adjust our curriculum and programs accordingly.

NAPLAN remains a useful diagnostic tool for teachers and schools and BGS supports the implementation of online testing in 2020. This change will be adaptive and enable more nuanced indicators for each student, as well as increasing the timeliness of results.

Speaking at assembly this week, I shared with the students that I commenced teaching at BGS in 1992. Coincidentally, this was the very first year of the OP system. The seniors of 1992 set the standard for achievement in Queensland, and every subsequent cohort has worked hard to extend the BGS academic legacy.

In overseeing the closure of the OP era and the introduction of the age of the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR), I remain immensely proud of my association with the School. I gratefully acknowledge the generations of students and staff who have built the unique and potent learning culture that it is Brisbane Grammar School.



You too can be a champion! Find out how to lead your Year Group Bursary (YGB).





Deputy Headmaster - Students

David Carroll

Improving how we communicate with parents is an ongoing project.

The Student Wellbeing team is working on a new calendar that will help you access information specific to your son. This should be available at the start of the 2020 school year.

For now, Student Wellbeing information is located on MyGrammar in several places. Information specific to each year level is located under the year level tab in the menu on the left-hand side; you can also find email addresses and contact numbers for Heads of Year and Assistant Heads of Year in this location. They are the first people to contact if you have issues you need to raise with the School about your son.

Further information can be found under the Wellbeing tab in the menu panel. Open this for information about Public Purpose, Health Centre, Students Services, Student Wellbeing curriculum and Global Leaders programs. I encourage you to explore this area of MyGrammar if you have not already.

Boarding and Outdoor Education are also included in the Wellbeing portfolio and have their own respective tabs in the menu. The Outdoor Education tab outlines curriculum, dates of programs and provides links to year level photos. The Boarding tab also provides a wealth of information.

Some parents may have had trouble navigating MyGrammar due to the volume of information provided. I hope this helps you find the information you are looking for.

2020 ACER Scholarship Test | Applications Open

Brisbane Grammar School has a long and proud tradition of offering scholarships and bursaries to boys who have demonstrated they have the potential to derive great benefit from a BGS education.

Trustees' Scholarships are awarded based on demonstrated academic excellence of boys **commencing Year 7 in 2021**. Applicants are assessed on their performance on the annual Australian Council for Educational Research Scholarship Test and their willingness to contribute to the wider school program.

The ACER Scholarship Test will be held at BGS on **Saturday 29 February 2020**. Registration is only available **online here** and will incur a cost of \$130. Registration will close at midnight AEDST **Monday 10 February 2020**.

Full details of the School's scholarship and bursary programs are available **here**. For additional information, please contact the Enrolments Office on (07) 3834 5200.

Jamie Smith
Director of Enrolments

Director of Boarding

Berian Williams-Jones

Speaking to a student the other day, I was reminded that our Year 12 students only have 10 weeks remaining at school, and a great deal of work to do in that time. Our energies continue focus on supporting senior boys through this challenging segment of their final year.

At the same time, we are planning and preparing our Year 11 boys for leadership roles in the boarding house and the wider school community next year.

The residential setting of Harlin House provides a unique opportunity for boys to become well-rounded leaders. Leading within the House is extremely gratifying, but leading and living with fellow students can be challenging at times. It is these challenging times that forge true leaders within Harlin House.

Prefects learn to become true leaders in the junior dorm. This role is demanding, time-consuming and offers no tangible reward. Despite these challenges, prefects are motivated by the rare privilege to be an older brother figure to young boarders, to be a source of advice, and to be the comforting voice when that first wave of homesickness hits. The rewards of this important role far outweigh the demands.

This year, 2019 Harlin House Prefects Anthony Buswell, Calvin Lam and Callum McCarthy have all led their respective junior dorms with the assistance of Sam Corbett and Josh Eastaway. They have grown as well-rounded leaders and gained valuable experiences throughout the year.

I do not doubt our Year 11 boys are eager to fulfil the integral leadership roles within Harlin House next year.

Director of Outdoor Education

Derek Jervis

9I have demonstrated the virtues of leading self this week. They have been an engaged and enthusiastic class willing to take on all challenges. They had high motivation and enthusiasm levels, despite not being able to have a campfire due to a total fire ban in the region.

Takumi Quail was a great team member. He was willing to put the group's needs first and show initiative. He got a good soaking during the final challenge activities on Friday and managed to keep a smile on his face.

Cooper Caines and Mitchell Wishart were valuable members of their groups. They worked hard, were inclusive and maintained a positive attitude, even when the wind kicked up a dust cloud over lunch. Martin Wallis put admirable effort into all aspects of the program. He led from the front during his leadership section of the expedition and made some great navigation decisions.

David Beetham and Hugh Mowbray showed excellent leadership potential. They were willing and able to facilitate a group discussion. They set a great example and ensured that duties and activities were completed.

Leo Stavrianos, Charlie Stilwell and Nicholas Yang were helpful and respectful students. Their enthusiasm had a positive impact on the rest of the class. Anton Uscinski showed a clear understanding of the objectives of the program and was willing to push himself throughout the week.

Year 12 Form Seniors Jake Barrientos and James Seymour joined their class for the week to lead and mentor the boys through the program. Mr Simon Conway, Mr Peter Fas and Mr Jeff Price joined the class at Bitenbar to get involved with the service project and the rope and knot skills. They also enjoyed a student cooked lunch. Thank you to Mr Simon Conway for joining each Year 9 class at Moogerah to share the experience with the cohort.

Click to view the 9I photos and 9I video of the boys' experience.



Director of Student Wellbeing Programs

Philippa Douglas

Digital Wellbeing

Last week, I invited parents to share concerns about their son's use of technology. Most parents spoke about the amount of time their son spent gaming or watching videos, their disconnection from the family and their access to sexually explicit material.

It can often seem like teenagers are using technology and the internet for a large part of the day, and it is hard to know the difference between beneficial, safe use and overuse of technology.

When it comes to screen time, every family may have a different idea of what they think is enough. Consider your child's screen use in the context of their overall health and wellbeing.

Recently, I came across a book written by Dr Danielle Einstein called *The Dip*. It's a short, easy read and provides a practical guide to taking control of screen addiction to reconnect families. Valuable information is also available at **ReachOut Australia** and **eSafety Commissioner**. These sites cover:

- Why teenagers use technology so much and what they are using it for
- The risks and effects of technology on teenagers
- The problems to look out for
- How to help your child use technology safely

There are many parental control apps that can help parents monitor their children's online activities. Some BGS parents use **Family Zone** or **Net Nanny** and have found them to be effective in managing their son's screen time.

RSPCA Cupcake Day | Monday 16 September

The Year 5 Public Purpose committee be raising funds for RSPCA Queensland through our annual Cupcake Day sale. We are asking for donations of cupcakes to be brought to Mr Shears' room at MS 303 between 7.45am – 8.15am on Monday 16 September.

All cupcakes will be sold for \$1 - \$2. The more cupcakes we have, the more we raise for this very worthy cause, so get your bake on.

If you are making your own cupcakes, please include a list of ingredients so we can check for dietary requirements.

Justin Shears Year 5 Public Purpose Coordinator

Director of Student Services

Dale Nicholas

Tertiary applications Year 12 students

Tertiary entry applications are now open. Students are asked to carefully note the closing dates for local and interstate applications, accessible through the links below. It is the student's responsibility to note any early closing dates for courses involving auditions or portfolios.

Queensland: Apply through the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) here.

QTAC fixed and early closing dates can be found here.

New South Wales: Apply through the University Admissions Centre NSW here.

Victoria: Applications for study in Victoria are now open through the Victorian Tertiary

Admissions Centre here.

South Australia: Applications for universities in South Australia are processed by the South Australian

Tertiary Admissions Centre here.

Western Australia: The Tertiary Institutions Service Centre processes applications for institutions in Western

Australia here.

IMPORTANT: Year 10 Students

Year 10 students are reminded that online subject selection closes at 5.00pm today, Friday 30 August. Please access the portal through the link emailed to students. Students have been sent reminders through personalised emails, newsletter entries, daily bulletin entries and through various staff. Students who do not submit today will not be able to access the portal.

Dean of Curriculum

Greg Dabelstein

Year 11 Resource Update

As detailed last week, Year 11 students will need to purchase resources for Term 4 that were not included in the booklist at the beginning of the year. Please note the requirements below:

- Chemistry Pearson Chemistry Queensland 12 eBook (Access Code)
- Biology Pearson Biology Queensland 12 eBook (Access Code)
- Physics Pearson Physics Queensland 12 eBook (Access Code) and Skills & Assessment Work Book

The Grammar Shop also stocks hard copies of each text, which include the eBook access code. Combo Packs for all three subjects are also available and include the eBook access code, textbook and skills and assessment books.

Year 10 2020 Subject Selection

Year 10 2020 subject selection is now open. Current Year 9 students and their parents have been sent an email with information on how to complete subject selection. Students have until 5.00pm Friday 20 September to submit their preferences. Students who have not received a personalised email with instructions should see Mr Dabelstein as soon as possible.

Year 9 2020 Latin Selection

Early in Term 4, students in Year 8 can choose to either continue their current world language (Chinese, French, German or Japanese) or they can choose to study Latin in Year 9. Further information will be provided at the start of Term 4.

Earth and Environmental Science

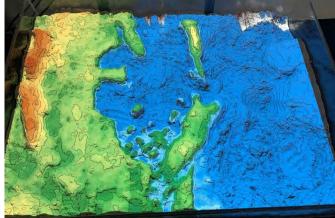
Excursion to Queensland University of Technology

The Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science class recently visited the QUT Gardens Point campus for a study retreat. Dr Scott Bryan, Associate Professor at QUT's School of Earth, Environmental and Biological Sciences, led the students through a series of fascinating activities.

Students modelled sea-level rise in the Brisbane and the Moreton Bay region with an augmented reality sandbox, used a scanning electron microscope, and analysed thin section rock samples through a microscope. The study retreat helped the students cement some of the key concepts covered in the Earth and Environmental Science subject this year.

Thank you to Dr Scott Bryan and his team for facilitating this unique experience.





Deputy Head - Co-Curriculum

Greg Thorne

Determination

At a recent assembly, one of the student leaders shared the remarkable story of Tommy Caldwell. Tommy is an American rock climber whose background, preparation and ultimate success in climbing El Capitan in Yosemite National Park has attracted great media attention. His story is pure inspiration and an exceptional choice for an assembly address.

His story is compelling, even for those of us who wouldn't dream of rock climbing. In Tommy Caldwell we see the immense value of determination. We encourage it in our children, we look for it in our leaders, we feel our best selves when we demonstrate it, and we aspire to promote it in those we influence.

In every ensemble, cast, crew, class or team, there is always one individual who stands out for their determination. Regardless of the circumstances, that individual finds a way to give more.

In a school community of this size, it is difficult to see and acknowledge all those individuals and, in many cases, they do not need or want acknowledgement. Their drive is intrinsic, and their rewards are far more personal.

On behalf of all of us who are inspired by determination, I offer the following acknowledgements:

Thank you to the boy who attended every session and did everything he was asked by the coach.

Thank you to the teacher-coach who backed up from a week of planning, teaching and assessment to put their team in the best position to compete on a Saturday.

Thank you to the student leader who challenged their peers, before and after the badge.

Thank you to the parent who gave up their own time each Saturday, to provide hospitality for our community and those who visit us.

Thank you to support staff members whose work ethic and willingness to help enables us to achieve our goals.

Your determination inspires us all.

Basketball

BGS First V Results

The BGS First V hosted rival Gregory Terrace for Round 6, following their loss to TSS in Round 5. The basketball gods were not kind in Round 6, which continued a string of unfortunate luck for the BGS First V. GT was fresh off a win in Round 5 and looking to notch another tick in the 'W' column.

BGS entered the match nursing a couple of injuries, which contributed to the team tiring as the match progressed. The beginning of the match was fiercely contested, but the boys in the *light dark blue* could not maintain the pace imposed by GT.

This trend continued as the game progressed, despite the gutsy efforts of Ned Brassil and Abineash Mayooran and a few skilful flurries from Nick Teng. GT was able to wage an aggressive and efficient battle that rendered the BGS First V ineffective for long stretches of the match, allowing GT to secure a comfortable victory.

Thank you to all parents and supporters who came out to support the boys. The BGS First V is now preparing for another battle against the formidable Nudgee College at home this Saturday.

Darrington Overstreet Director of Basketball

Middle School Basketball Parent Helpers Needed

Rounds 8 and 9 are away games for BGS Basketball, meaning our senior player parents are not available to assist the canteen. If you are a Middle School Basketball parent, we would be grateful if you volunteer for canteen duties on Saturday 7 September and Saturday 14 September.

This season has seen a significant decline in Middle School parent support, resulting in the canteen closing early, or being run by my daughter to ensure the Middle School boys, parents and coaches have access to a full canteen.

The canteen cannot run without the full support of our parent community, and the boys love seeing their parents behind the counter helping out. If you can assist for an hour on either of these dates please contact mel.eveleigh@brisbanegrammar.com.

Mel Eveleigh
MiC of Basketball

Track and Field

Tonight is the BSHS Invitational Track and Field Carnival. Boys do not need to sign on to a bus list but will scan their student ID cards as they hop onto the bus. Boys will change at QSAC. The bus will arrive back at school at approximately 9.00pm, but boys may go home with parents. **If boys are leaving QSAC with parents they need to see Mr Webb and Mr Hallis to sign out.**

These meets help students improve individual bests and motivate in the lead up to the GPS championship. Please speak to the discipline-specific coach to determine which two or three events to compete in.

Results from invitational meets are used to calculate the Age Champion at the end of the season. Students wanting to score points across disciplines should do so early in the season. This will allow them to focus on their best one or two events as we approach the GPS championship.

A timetable of events is available on MyGrammar.

Students should bring their student ID, Track and Field uniform, tracksuit, and food and drink suitable for athletes. A canteen is available, but the food is expensive. Students are expected to abide by the School's Code of Expectations and Behaviour.

All information relating to Track and Field can be found on My Grammar > Sports and Activities > Track and Field.

Upcoming Events

Friday 30 August | BSHS Invitational Carnival

4.30pm - 9.00pm at QSAC

Friday 6 September | BBC Invitational Carnival

4.30pm - 9.00pm at QSAC

Friday 13 September | Nudgee Invitational Carnival

4.30pm - 9.00pm at Nudgee

Friday 13 September | Relay Titles

Details to be confirmed

Monday 30 September – Monday 2 August | BGS Track and Field Training Camp

Cost of \$5.00 for track use between 9.00am – 10.30am at UQ. To be confirmed.

Friday 4 October | UQ Competition

Competition for boys aged 10 to 19 years. To be confirmed.

Thursday 31 October | Junior GPS Championship

10.00am - 3.00pm at Nudgee

Thursday 31 October | End of Season Function

3.00pm - 4.00pm at Nudgee

Saturday 2 November | Senior GPS Championship

9.00am - 6.00pm at QSAC

Saturday 2 November | End of Season Function

9.00am - 6.00pm at QSAC

John Clancy MiC Track and Field

Cross Country

Congratulation to the BGS team that came second at the Australian Cross Country Championships in Wollongong on 24 August. Well done to Flynn Boorer, Ben Chambers, Harry Chapman, Will Chapman, Sam Paino and Charlie Sprott.

A big thank you to Mr Greg Dilosa for his management of the team and Mrs Louise Evans for logistics.

All information regarding the BGS Cross Country season can be found on MyGrammar.

John Clancy MiC Track and Field



Drama

The countdown to Halloween has begun and rehearsals for the Junior Dramatic Production *Trick or Treat* are in full swing. We were thrilled to welcome actor and dramaturge Lucas Stibbard into the rehearsal room this week.

As a performance coach, Lucas brings a wealth of theatre experience to the creative process. His extensive voice and movement masterclass helped the cast create multi-layered characters by deepening their character choices, discovering details and exploiting idiosyncrasies.

Sharni Folland and Naomi Russell The Creative Team





Music

Woodwind Festival

Last Sunday, The inaugural BGS Woodwind Festival saw 60 students from BGS and other schools joining in the celebration of flutes, clarinets, saxophones and other woodwind instruments. Congratulations to the Woodwind Department for organising the successful event.

Each student performed a solo of their choice for the audience of fellow-performers, parents, teachers and supporters. A panel of woodwind experts provided written feedback to the young players. It was not a competition; everyone was there to support and encourage.

It was a delight to see so many smiles despite a few nerves. Players were divided according to age and years of experience playing their instrument. Both students and the audience enjoyed themselves.

A huge thank you to our Principal Woodwind teacher Dr Philippa Robinson for organising the event and BGS Woodwind teachers Mrs Aileen Bryant, Mrs Christy Dykes and Mrs Anne MacAskill for their fine work as adjudicators. We look forward to an even bigger event in the future.

Junior String Festival

The string festival season finishes with the Junior String Workshop on Monday 2 September and Tuesday 3 September. Our youngest string players will join players from several schools and explore interesting new repertoire under the guidance of excellent guest conductors. The final concert will be held in the Band Room at Brisbane Girls Grammar School on Tuesday 3 September at 6.00pm.

Peter Ingram Head of Music







Acting Head of Middle School

Rebecca Campbell

Last Thursday was Grandparents' Day, and our Year 6 boys welcomed over 100 grandparents to share in the celebration. The morning began with a classroom visit where our guests shared memories of their own school days, before moving to the Boarders' Lawn to enjoy a morning tea.

An entertaining concert in the Great Hall featured poetry recitals and musical items from the boys to round out the morning. Grandparents' Day was a delightful event and an excellent opportunity for our Middle School boys to demonstrate qualities such as chivalry and gratitude.



As we move into the warmer months, students are encouraged to bring roll-on sunscreen to school to apply before breaks and PE lessons. Sunscreen is also available in the sports shed in the Years 5 and 6 Social Space and at Middle School Reception. A reminder that the Middle School has a "no hat, no play" policy and that hats must be worn to and from school. Winter uniform concludes for Middle School students this Monday 2 September.

Thank you to all members of the Student Wellbeing team and special guest Michael Knight for presenting such insightful information at the Student Wellbeing Parent Workshop on Tuesday evening. The presentations are available on the year level pages of MyGrammar if you missed it. Those who attended will be sent a short survey to provide feedback on the evening.

Middle School Sport

As the boys have heard on assembly, the Interwing Touch competition will be held on the last day of Term 3. Boys must complete the sign-on survey sent to their BGS email address before next Wednesday 4 September. Completing the survey is compulsory and boys must choose to play, officiate or spectate on the day. More details will be shared in coming weeks.

Track and Field

The first of the GPS Invitational meets was held at the Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre (QSAC) last Friday evening. It was great to see boys attempting new events like hurdles and discus in a positive and exciting atmosphere. The meet was well attended, although some age groups, such as the 13 years division need more competitors. I encourage all boys who have an interest in Track and Field to attend some training sessions and get involved as soon as possible. Results from the meet will be posted on MyGrammar each week.

| Track and Field Athlete of the Week | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 10 Years Alexander Redhead | | | | | | | |
| 11 Years Archie Boorer | | | | | | | |
| 12 Years Nick Scott | | | | | | | |
| 13 Years | Hugo Elix | | | | | | |

Basketball

Congratulations to our Year 6 boys on an excellent round of fixtures against Gregory Terrace last weekend. In most age groups, the wins and losses were fairly evenly shared with our Terrace neighbours, but the Year 6 boys won all their games in great style. Wins for our A teams are hard to achieve at present, and we hope to change that against Nudgee College this week.

All Middle School teams are away at Nudgee College and Brisbane Boys College this week. Please check MyGrammar for details.

| Team | Winning Team | Team | Winning Team | Team | Winning Team | Team | Winning Team |
|------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 5A | GT | 6A | BGS | 7A | GT | 8A | GT |
| 5B | GT | 6B | BGS | 7B | GT | 8B | BGS |
| 5C | BGS | 6C | BGS | 7C | BGS | 8C | BGS |
| | | 6D | BGS | 7D | BGS | 8D | GT |
| | | 6E vs BBC | BGS | 7D vs GT 8G | GT | 8E | GT |
| | | | | 7E | BGS | 8E vs GT 8F | GT |
| | | | | 7E vs GT 7F | BGS | | |

| Player of the Week | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|----|-----------------|----|----------------|----|---------------|--|
| 5A | Yuvan Subburaj | 6A | James Middleton | 7A | Oliver Tu | 8A | Daniel Jesser | |
| 5B | Eammon Conomos | 6B | Samuel Chan | 7B | Hudson Ridoutt | 8B | Alex Crethar | |
| 5C | Reuben Tavakol | 6C | Zac Jakupovic | 7C | Toby Harpham | 8C | Ben Watson | |
| | | 6D | No Game | 7D | Isaac McNally | 8D | Jo Gehrmann | |
| | | 6E | Felix Swane | 7E | Ollie Peacock | 8E | Harro Schulz | |

Rugby

The depth of Gregory Terrace rugby was evident at Northgate last Saturday. Our 12A and 13A teams competed bravely and the 11A team had another outstanding victory. Our B and C teams across all age groups found the day a tough assignment but showed plenty of determination and resilience.

This Saturday will be another challenging day for all teams when we play Nudgee College at Northgate. Hopefully, playing at home will inspire some courageous performances and we can finish the day knowing we have given our all at every match.

Please check MyGrammar for team selections and match details.

| Team | Winning Team | Team | Winning Team | Team | Winning Team |
|------|--------------|------|--------------|------|--------------|
| 11A | BGS | 12A | GT | 13A | GT |
| 11B | GT | 12B | GT | 13B | GT |
| 11C | GT | | | | |

| Player of the Week | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----|-------------------|--|--|
| 11A | Thomas Brant | 12A | Hudson Wraight | 13A | Ed Rimmington | | |
| 11B | Rohan Morris | 12B | Michael Bryan | 13B | Sebastian Kimbell | | |
| 11C | Elliott Gillman | | | | | | |

Debating

Congratulations to all Year 7 QDU debaters on their Round 3 results. Round 3 will be contested next week for the Years 5 and 6 teams. Special mention to the 5.1, 6.2, 6.3 and the 7.2 teams on their undefeated status at this point of the competition.

| | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.4 |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Round 1 | W | L | W | L | L | W | L | W | W | L |
| Round 2 | W | W | L | L | W | L | W | W | W | W |
| Round 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.7 | | | |
| Round 1 | L | W | L | W | W | L | L | | | |
| Round 2 | L | W | L | W | W | L | L | | | |
| Round 3 | W | W | W | L | L | W | L | | | |

Glenn McFarlane Director of Middle School Sport

Middle School Library

Reading Success in the Middle School

Congratulations to Year 6 student Nick Carroll who has accrued 500 points in Accelerated Reader and is our latest Hall of Fame member.

Nick is a very keen reader who enjoys a wide range of genres, especially fantasy and action. He is happy to share good stories with other boys and frequently makes recommendations of titles he has enjoyed.

Roys take part in Accelerated Roader in Years 5 to read books tizzes to earn 3 milestones.



Volunteer Roster

Week commencing Monday 2 September 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 2 September | Jenny Humphris | Renai Ridley (Team Captain) | Linda Miric |
| Tuesday 3 September | Lee Perkins | Lee Perkins (Team Captain) | Wendy Ricato |
| Wednesday 4 September | Humera Rahim Jill Johnston | Jill Johnston (Team Captain) | Danielle Jesser |
| Thursday 5 September | Donna Schultz | Meghan Mitchell (Team Captain) | Millie Yee |
| Friday 6 September | Catherine Ellemor Sirie Palmos | Wendy Smith (Team Captain) | Simone Muller |

2019 Calendar

Term 3

Tuesday 16 July – Friday 20 September

Term 4

Tuesday 8 October – Friday 29 November

Upcoming Events

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.

QCS Packs

QCS packs containing all your stationery needs for next week's QCS Tests are available at the Grammar Shop. Each pack contains pens, pencils, coloured pencils, a highlighter, pencil-sharpener, white-out, compass and protractor for only \$18.

Embroidery

We currently have embroidered PE caps, Senior hats, Middle School hats, wing shirts, towels and blazers awaiting collection.

Please check the list on MyGrammar to see whether your item is ready for collection. The list can be accessed via MyGrammar > P&F Auxiliary > Uniforms > Embroidered item pick up list.

Tuckshop

An updated Tuckshop menu is available on MyGrammar. The menu can be accessed via MyGrammar > P&F Auxiliary > Tuckshop > Tuckshop Menus.

Only four items have increased in price by a very small amount. Thank you to the volunteers who stayed back to help on the ISA day - we really appreciated your help with the boys' lunch service.

Joanne Villiers P&F Auxiliary

Betty Howell Awards

2019 Nominations Closing Sunday 1 September

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.





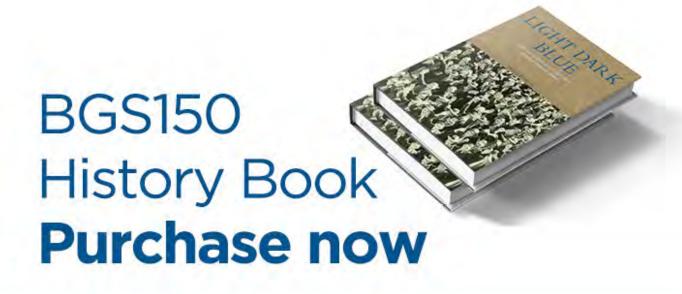


BGS150 memorabilia

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.

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In 2018, 44 boys attended BGS thanks to a bursary.







Year 6 Parent Casual Morning Tea



You are invited to join fellow Year 6 parents for a casual morning tea.

Date

Time

Friday 6 September 2019

8.30am - 10.30am

Venue

Victoria Park Bistro, 309 Herston Road, Herston.

Morning tea at guest's own expense

RSVP here

by Wednesday 4 September

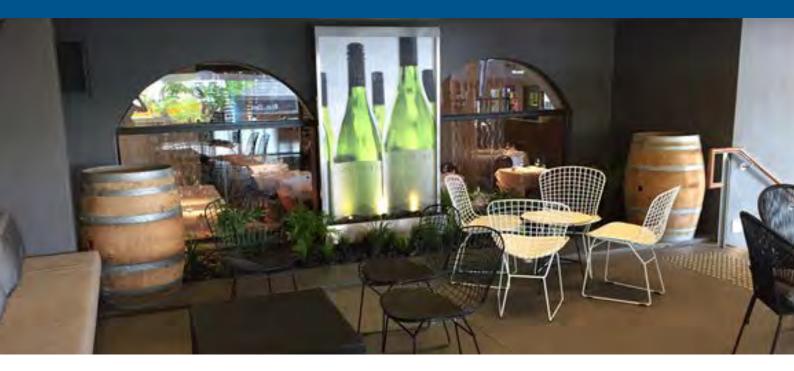
For more information please contact Year 6 Parent Representative:

Palingu Aponso

E palingu@gmail.com



Year 9 Parent Evening



You are invited to join fellow Year 9 parents at Gambaro Seafood Restaurant on Saturday 7 September

Date

Time

Tickets

Saturday 7 September

7.00pm to 10.00pm

\$50.00 per person Includes welcome drink, canapes and fork dish

Venue

VIP Deck, Gambaro Seafood Restaurant, 33 Caxton Street, Brisbane

RSVP here

by Friday 30 August 2019

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

E wendy.ricato4@outlook.com



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



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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