

# Newsletter

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

#### Week 3 Term 4

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### **Deputy Headmaster – Teaching and Learning** Steve Uscinski

As we approach the last weeks of 2019, the final assessments for the year beckon. Students are encouraged to remain focused on their studies and maintain good habits and routines.

While final assessments are a focal point of Term 4, it is an important time for acknowledging successes, engaging in rituals of transition and celebrating the end of year.

The winners of the 2019 academic prizes were announced at today's Senior School Assembly, ahead of the formal Speech Day presentations in Week 6. It was wonderful to see all boys celebrating their peers' academic, leadership and service achievements with such acclamation.

The commitment to academic excellence at Brisbane Grammar School goes back to the School's founding principle of providing a broad liberal education to the young men of Queensland.

The BGS150 History Book – *Light Dark Blue* notes the distinctive nature of the School's learning culture, particularly the valuing of the breadth of study in the 1870s. Assistant Master Francis Keogh (1869 – 57) supported the School's founding Headmaster Thomas Harlin. He commented that academic merit awards culminating in the Lilley Medal were a means of ensuring that "boys work … on all subjects, instead of confining their attention to only one or two."

Earning Dux f the School – from the Latin *ducere*, to lead – is an extraordinary feat of stamina, commitment and sustained intellectual engagement. This year, we celebrate and acknowledge the following boys on being awarded Dux of their respective year levels: Jian Lin (Year 12), Lewis Luck (Year 11), Elijah Wong (Year 10) and Matthew Love (Year 9).

I also extend the School's sincere congratulations to all our academic and service award and prize winners on their sterling efforts throughout 2019. I look forward to personally congratulating the boys at our traditional Speech Day celebration on Wednesday 13 November at QPAC Concert Hall.

Continuity is the essence of tradition. While reading *Light Dark Blue*, I continue to find remarkable the unbroken commitment to ensuring BGS boys are challenged and developed as thinkers. The School's tradition of excellence in academic achievement goes back to Headmaster Thomas Harlin, who was affirmed by a contemporary as a great educator because:

"He looks on boys as rational beings; and, instead, of aiming to produce speedy and delusive results by the short and popular method of 'rules', prefers to base his system of instruction on the reasoning powers of his pupils, and so lay the foundation of a real and lasting education which shall begin and not end with their school life..." – Ipswich Grammar School Founding Headmaster (1863 – 68) Stuart Hawthorne

Brisbane Grammar School remains committed to the traditions and culture that enable our students to be exceptional thinkers and learners. I wish our seniors well in their final assessments; I challenge our Year 11s to step up their study and revision given the commencement of Unit 3; I encourage all students in Years 5 to 10 to seek out and act on feedback from teachers to improve.

### Looking for a Valedictory Gift?

Parents looking for a Valedictory gift for students in the graduating Class of 2019 are encouraged to look at the Brisbane Grammar School merchandise page **here**. There are several options available, including the limited edition **BGS150 silver cufflinks** in a presentation box, and the **BGS150 History Book** - *Light Dark Blue*.

### Deputy Headmaster – Students David Carroll

#### **Mobile Phone Usage**

I have been following recent media debates regarding students bringing their mobile phones to school. Notably, the Queensland Government is considering banning phones, as they do in state schools in New South Wales and Victoria.

The BGS Student Wellbeing team is currently reviewing our policies for student phone usage, which vary for different age groups to consider their stage of development.

We value BGS parents' perspectives on this issue, and I encourage you to share your thoughts with me at **dhm.students@brisbanegrammar.com**.

Our respect for parents' desire to communicate with their son throughout the school day has guided our current policy that allows phones at school. However, this can lead to students misusing phones.

It is difficult to know what the best approach is, but an open dialogue will allow for the various viewpoints to be shared.

I look forward to reading your responses.

#### **GPS Track and Field**

The 2019 Senior GPS Track and Field Championship is on Saturday 2 November. Further details for supporters will be provided over the coming weeks.

Students are not permitted to drive to this event. BGS buses will be provided for students travelling from the School. If boys are travelling directly to QSAC, they must travel by public transport or be dropped off by family members. Boys will not be allowed at the event if they do not abide by these rules.

#### Year 11 Students Driving to School

Parents are reminded that Year 11 students are not permitted to drive to school. I appreciate your support of this important safety protocol.

2020 Year 12 students will be able to apply to drive to school. If approved, they can park in the BGS Tennis Centre car park. Failure to follow the correct Year 11 protocols will impact decision making in 2020.

### Speech Day Wednesday 13 November | 12.30pm | QPAC Concert Hall

Speech Day and presentation of prizes will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday 13 November. Years 9 to 12 boys have a student free day on Speech Day to celebrate the accomplishments of our young men. These boys will meet their Form Tutors for roll marking at 12.00pm at QPAC. They will not attend school during the first part of the day.

Years 5 to 8 boys have a student free day and will not attend school on Speech Day.

Tickets will be available for parents and family members on Monday 4 November. There is no charge, but tickets must be collected in person from the Administration Assistants, Level 2 in The Lilley Centre. Tickets will be distributed on a first-in basis until exhausted. Unfortunately, phone or email orders are not available.

Tickets are limited to two per family. There is no prior ticket allocation for seats at QPAC.

For questions about arrangements for the day, please call Rochelle Lynch on 07 3834 5262. Please direct ticket enquiries to Lisa Solomon-Innes on 07 3834 5331.

#### Frank McClatchy Dean of Administration

### **Director of Boarding** Berian Williams-Jones

On Monday, Head of Residence Nick Byron and I attended the annual Queensland Boarding Schools' Symposium at St Margaret's, organised by the Australian Boarding Schools' Association.

It was a great opportunity to network with fellow boarding professionals, and to share best practices, challenges and solutions. Baden U'Ren from Bond University presented a thought-provoking address about the impact of commercialism on the future shape of education.

Dana Kerford from URSTRONG gave a valuable presentation that touched on the challenges and rewards of relationships faced by many Middle School boarders. She reminded us all of the volatility and instability of relationships and the normality of changing social circles.

Dana spoke with great clarity and conviction about our responsibility as parents and educators to support children as they navigate challenges. This support helps boys develop the resilience needed to succeed in later life. She also addressed how children can manage unkind behaviour, stating that ignoring a problem does not resolve the issue.

With increasing interest in Middle School boarding, it is wonderful to gain insights that equip Harlin House boys with strategies to manage any challenges that arise.

I look forward to using this knowledge to create a better experience for our boarders.

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### Director of Outdoor Education Derek Jervis

During their final Outdoor Education program, 10F demonstrated the values and virtues of leading others. The boys engaged in all activities and took on leadership roles with enthusiasm. Due to local conditions, the class participated in a revised expedition program and spent one night under bivvy shelters at the expedition campsite.

Oliver Cathcart was a motivated and mature student. He took on his prescribed leadership roles with confidence and navigated the expedition competently. Oliver encouraged his group and maintained their motivation in challenging situations.

Jack Baboolal and Gus Dempsey showed great leadership potential. They stepped into volunteer leadership roles by showing initiative and confidently working with their peer group.

Scott Evans and Raphy Athanasiou demonstrated a passion and enthusiasm for the outdoors. They fully engaged in the expedition component of the program. They were reliable students and willing to take on leadership positions.

Blake Konovalenko and Oscar Meutermans were highly motivated. Their enthusiasm had a positive impact on their peers, and Oscar's sense of humour kept the group entertained during the expedition.

Sebastian Beirne and Kaif Mohammed had a calm and measured approach while leading. They were focused on the objectives and were able to articulate a plan to their peers to get the job done.

At the end of the experience, Arjun Dhanani reflected on his time at Moogerah and wrote the following:

"Trotting past the Moogerah gate in Year 5, I gulped at the looming mountains and wobbly high ropes course. Outdoor Education has since fostered a sense of challenge while allowing me to connect with the environment. As a Year 10 student, I reflect on what the program symbolises for me. I have completed every adventure, challenge and activity that Moogerah has to offer. An offer of devotion, an offer of challenge, an offer of education. Perhaps most significantly, one Moogerah saying remains my biggest motivation - it's the effort put in that counts."

Click to view the 10F photos and 10F video of the boys' final Outdoor Education experience.



### Director of Student Wellbeing Programs Philippa Douglas

#### Parent Information Evening: Drug and Alcohol Education with Paul Dillon

A reminder that parents from all year levels are invited to attend a Parent Information Evening with Paul Dillon, which will be held at Brisbane Grammar School on Tuesday 29 October at 6.00pm in The Lilley Centre Forum. Please see the **attached invitation** for more information and **click here** to register for the evening.

Details on the specific content of Paul's talks can be accessed **here**. This information can assist follow-up conversations with your son/s.

#### Public Purpose: Cambodia Immersion

Last Thursday evening, boys who attended the Cambodia Immersion shared their experiences with families. The reflection evening is possibly the most important stage of the immersion, as students process and make meaning of their experiences.

To encapsulate the experience, boys closed the evening with an excellent video created by Joshua Wong. **Click here to watch the video**.

Thank you to the boys, teachers, and parents who made the 2019 Cambodia Immersion such a success.



#### SchoolTV - Resilience

Resilience refers to the ability to cope and adapt when confronted with challenges such as disappointment, stress, trauma, tragedy, or other adversity. Resilience is an essential skill for boys' mental health and wellbeing.

Resilience can be taught from an early age with the help of adult role models and will help your son manage inevitable difficult situations.

Over-protective parenting can be unhelpful in building resilience. Although protection can be instinctive, experiencing potential failure is part of the process. Encouraging your son to take healthy risks increases his capacity to deal with uncomfortable situations and gives him courage to tackle other challenges.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will understand how to support their son's brave behaviour to help them adapt and build resilience.

Click here to view this month's edition.

#### **Student Wellbeing Curriculum**

A few weeks ago, Year 11 boys attended the RACQ Driver IQ program for their Wellbeing lessons. The interactive road safety awareness program provided boys with practical ways to survive and thrive throughout their driving journey. Key stages of their journeys were explored, including the 100 hours of learner driving, being a passenger, effectively dealing with passengers while driving, and handling breakdowns and accidents.

Students were also provided strategies to maximise their learner driving phase and prepare for the provisional driving phase.

# **Beekeeping Talk**

#### **Parent Invitation**

Greening Grammar invites all students, staff and parents to a talk by Brisbane native beekeeper Dr Toby Smith on Wednesday 30 October in The Lilley Centre Forum at 12.40pm. Dr Smith will talk about bee diversity, stingless bee biology, crop pollination and food security.

At about 1.00pm we will go outside, where Dr Smith will split our native beehive. We are currently looking for a suitable location on school grounds for our new beehive and hope you can join us.

Beate Poida Teacher

# Deputy Head - Co-Curriculum

#### Greg Thorne

#### **Music and Drama**

Over the past few weeks, the campus has been busy with a range of rehearsals and performances across Music and Drama.

On Sunday, a large audience gathered for a casual afternoon of jazz for the new Sing and Swing event. Each of the jazz bands and choirs performed a short program that entertained crowds of students, parents and staff.

Thank you to BGS Music staff who continuously create performance opportunities for students, with the valuable backing of the Music Support Group. Your commitment adds to our rich cultural offerings for boys.

The Junior Dramatic Production cast members are undergoing final rehearsals ahead of premiering *Trick or Treat* on Thursday 31 October and Friday 1 November. I highly recommend attending the show to support our talented students and production team. Tickets are still available via the Events page on the BGS website here.

#### **Track and Field**

Next Thursday, our Junior Track and Field team will compete in their GPS championship at Nudgee College.

The Senior Track and Field team will be acknowledged at next week's assembly, ahead of the GPS Track and Field Championship on Saturday 1 November.

The GPS Track and Field Championships are special in many ways. Every team member contributes to the overall result, and they are difficult to predict based on past performances. Something extraordinary occurs when individuals compete at the championships – they are encouraged by their team members and peers to find collective improvements.

This event is the final GPS event for the Class of 2019, and we anticipate strong spectator support.

I wish all boys preparing for competitions every success in the final phases of training. I also commend the work of the BGS Track and Field coaches, who have worked with the boys over many months to prepare them for their best performances next week.

#### 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

# **Track and Field**

#### **GPS Championships Team Selection**

The Track and Field team is selected based on the following:

- Participation in competitions and training sessions
- Performances from the competitions
- Relay teams selection is based on the quality of changes in addition to speed
- Adjustments can be made by the coaches and MiC to ensure boys are not overworked and to maximise team
  points

Please note, some boys may compete up an age group and adjustments to the list may occur after the final Friday night lead-up meet and training. All boys on the list are part of the BGS Team and are expected to continue training after selection. These boys should attend the GPS championships and the end of season celebration.

#### Team Announcement Morning Tea | Monday 28 October

The team will be announced in the Centenary Hall Gallery at morning tea. The team is made up of all competing athletes and reserves. All team members should attend the end of season function.

#### Team Meeting and Photos | Tuesday 29 October | 3.00pm - 4.30pm

All team members will meet in The Lilley Centre Forum at 3.00pm for a pre-championship meeting. Team photos with then be taken before a team warm-up.

#### Junior GPS Championship | Thursday 31 October | Nudgee College

The event program will be listed on MyGrammar. The following arrangements will be followed on the day:

8.20am	Boys attend Form Class at the usual time
8.30am	BGS bus to Nudgee will depart from the front of the School
10.30am	First event starts
3.00pm	Competition finishes
3.00pm - 3.45pm	BGS trophy presentations and celebration dinner (Note: payment and dietary requirements need to be completed via MyGrammar)
3.45pm	BGS bus departs Nudgee and arrives at the School at approximately 4.30pm

Boys should bring: Track and Field uniforms, wet weather clothes, dry clothes, warm clothing, hat, pillow, food and drinks. Boys can wear their Track and Field uniform to school only if they are travelling via private vehicle. Boys on public transport must wear their full school uniform.

#### Senior GPS Championships | Saturday 2 November | QSAC

The Senior GPS Track and Field event program is still to be confirmed and will be posted to MyGrammar. The following arrangements will be followed:

7.15am	Boys arrive at School in BGS Track and Field uniform			
7.30am	BGS bus to Nudgee will depart from the front of the School			
9.30am	First event starts			
5.30pm (approximately)	Last event			
5.45pm (approximately) Presentations				
6.30pm (approximately) Bus departs QSAC to return to BGS				
7.00pm (approximately)	Bus arrives at BGS			

John Clancy MiC Track and Field

## Music

#### Sing and Swing

Last Sunday afternoon, our Jazz Band and Choirs presented a wonderful afternoon of music for Sing and Swing.

The BGS community filled the Cricket Nets, which we have repurposed as the Sound Shed. The boys responded to the casual and enthusiastic atmosphere with outstanding performances.



#### Showcase Concerts | Tuesday 29 October and Thursday 31 October

Next week, many of our ensembles will present their final concert for the year. These are significant events in the Music program.

The Bands and Percussion Concert will be held in the Centenary Hall on Tuesday 29 October at 6.00pm

On Thurdsay 31 October, the **Strings and Orchestra Concert** will begin with a performance from the Chamber string groups in the Great Hall at 6.00pm. The concert will progress to the Centenary Hall for the orchestras.

We warmly invite the BGS community to support the boys and enjoy some beautiful music. Details have been published to MyGrammar and were emailed to families earlier this week.

#### Music Celebration | Friday 8 November | 6.30pm for 7.00pm | Hillstone, St Lucia

All Music families are invited to attend the end of year awards night. Formerly known as the Music Dinner, the event recognises the outstanding achievements of our young musicians and farewells our senior musicians in a casual atmosphere.

Students who placed first, second, third or were highly commended in the recent Performance Awards will be presented with their certificates at this event.

The Music Celebration evening will feature a host of music performances. It is a perfect opportunity for families to catch up with friends and celebrate a wonderful year of music.

Details are available on MyGrammar and invitations were emailed this week. Please RSVP by Friday 1 November. Please arrive at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start.

#### **Music Performance Awards**

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding efforts. More results will be shared next week.

#### **Concerto Competition**

Concerto Competition			
First Place     Sebastian Beirne 1006 (Voice)			
Second Place Kai Hagiwara 1109 (Piano)			
Third Place         George Mellick 1101 (Tuba)			
Highly Commended William McEniery 1117 (Voice)			

#### **Piano Performance Awards**

	Beginner	Interme	ediate B	Intermediate A
First Place	Alexander Readhead 05B	Lucas Lu 06	δA	Max-ze Lee 06A
Second Place	Lewis Martin 0908	Sam Long 0	7C	Harry Dickson 0907
Third Place	Leo Bowker 06A	Benjamin La	a 07C	Thomas Kay 08E
Highly Commended	Will Neilson 06B	Nicholas Ho	warth 06D	Nick Marshall 0918
	Advanced B			Advanced A
First Place	Daniel Luo 07A		Kai Hagiwar	a 1109
Second Place	Lachlan Leow 08H		Ben Du 1108	
Third Place	Oliver Tham 07C		Duncan Cho	1118
Highly Commended	Max Gao 05A		-	

#### **Woodwind Performance Awards**

	Beginner B	Beginner A	Intermediate B
First Place	Max Butler 05D	Nick Hoole 07D	Charlie Prebble 06B
	(Clarinet)	(Alto Saxophone)	(Alto Saxophone)
Second Place	Maxwell Miu 06A	Liem Dang 06C	Jasper Lindgren 08H
	(Clarinet)	(Bass Clarinet)	(Flute)
Third Place	Yuvan Subburaj 05B	Kody Good 06D	Damien Robinson 0918
	(Tenor Saxophone)	(Clarinet)	(Oboe)
Highly Commended	Tobias Meehan 05B (Clarinet)	Henry Gao 06B (Bassoon) Sam Rutter 06D (Clarinet)	Manul Jayasena 07F (Clarinet) Alexander Macfarlane 07D (Bassoon)

	Intermediate A	Advanced B	Advanced A
First Place	Lucas de Zubicaray 07F	Rovin Wickramasekera	Rohin Bagga 1011
	(Alto Saxophone)	1104 (Alto Saxophone)	(Clarinet)
Second Place	Lewis Martin 0908	Dan McHugh 1004	Dillon Chiang 1104
	(Alto Saxophone)	(Tenor Saxophone)	(Clarinet)
Third Place	James Butler 05B	Angus O'Quinn 1111	Lachlan Leung 1109
	(Alto Saxophone)	(Bassoon)	(Alto Saxophone)
Highly Commended	Alex Carter 05A (Flute)	Nicholas Dalgleish 0909 (Tenor Saxophone)	Ryan Xiao 1109 (Clarinet) Ben Ren 1108 (Flute) Adam Brown 1102 (Flute)

#### **Percussion Performance Awards**

	Beginner B	Beginner A	Intermediate B
First Place	Daniel Qu 07I	Nicholas Howarth 06D	Ocean Xia 07A
Second Place	Bas Stoneley 06B	George Mercer 07C	Matthew Wong 08D
Third Place	Ali Rahim 06B	Harry Beirne 06A	Paul Nilsen 08F
Highly Commended	-	Alex Peters 07F Charles Nelson 05D	Bowei Chen 07H Anush Mondal 08C

	Intermediate A	Advanced B	Advanced A
First Place	Kiran Patel 08B	Oliver Tu 07H	Lachlan Tu 0917
Second Place	Joshua Wong 1003	Lucas Lu 06A	Trung Nguyen 1110
Third Place	Charlie Ridgeon 0910	Simson Thomas 08H	Joshua Khoo 1208
Highly Commended	Alistair Hoole 0914	Sze Yong Ng 08G	Yi An 1205

Peter Ingram Head of Music

## Chess

Last weekend, the BGS Premier Chess team of Sze-Yong Ng, Nadula Tennakoon, Jaden Teow and Tony Zhong competed in the Queensland Inter-School Chess State Finals.

In a very close competition, the team finished in third place and drew with eventual competition winners Churchie in the process. Congratulations to the boys on the excellent result.

Peter Brunckhorst MiC Chess



# Basketball

#### Hardwood Club Meeting | Wednesday 30 October

Parents of BGS Basketball players are invited to the post-season meeting on **Wednesday 30 October at 7.00pm in the Woolcock Room**. President Fiona Naumann is stepping down, and we are looking to fill the positions of Junior President and Canteen Coordinator for 2020.

Mel Eveleigh MiC Basketball

# Rowing

#### **Tipperoo River Party**

Thanks to everyone who attended the Tipperoo River Party on Saturday 19 October. Tipperoo Events Coordinator Anne Clifton organised a great celebration for the start of the 2020 Rowing season. We are also grateful to our sponsors and donors for their generous contributions.



#### **Preseason Training**

Over 60 energetic Year 7 boys have started rowing training in the afternoons. These boys are getting a taste of the sport, before starting the GPS competition next year.

Our Year 8 boys are proving a force to be reckoned with, after three strong weeks of the introduction to the Rowing program. We are continuously praising their efforts, especially their discipline in arrival and organisation around the shed. Last Thursday morning, all Year 8 boys had arrived and placed their coaches' vessels on the water by 4.55am. This is an outstanding achievement that shows the enthusiasm of the age group.

Boys in Years 10, 11 and 12 continue to impress us. They have a heavier workload than the younger boys, yet they take it in their stride. In the past three weeks, we have seen enormous growth in leadership and teamwork around the sheds. With a focus on accountability, the boys have enforced their expectations around the shed. It has been very rewarding to watch the change among these young men in a short period of time.

As Term 4 progresses, we stress diligent time management. With support from the Co-Curriculum office, the boys will be well-prepared around busy term periods. We expect them to remain on top of their studies and request they speak with us if they are having difficulty balancing their commitments.

Rowing promotes time management and allows boys to develop outside of the classroom in a positive and healthy way. Rowing continues to complement the School's academic program.

#### **Rowing Camps**

Parents are reminded that camp sign-up will available shortly. Camps are an important part of the season. The crew needs every member to attend. Without a crewmate, it is impossible to have a successful session. The following camp dates have been arranged:

**2020 Year 9 Camp 1** Saturday 30 November and Sunday 1 December | Day camps in Brisbane

**2020 Years 10 to 12 Camp 1** Monday 2 December to Saturday 7 December | Residential camp in Grafton, New South Wales

**2020 Years 9 to 11 High Performance Camp** Monday 13 January to Thursday 16 January | Day camps in Brisbane

**2020 Years 10 to 12 Camp 2** Saturday 18 January to Thursday 23 January | Residential camp in Grafton, New South Wales

**2020 Year 9 Camp 2** Saturday 25 January to Monday 27 January | Day camps in Brisbane

Matt Marden Director of Rowing

# Cricket

#### 2020 Cricket Sign On

All boys who played cricket in 2019 have been sent a sign-on survey for the 2020 Cricket season. Please complete the survey as soon as possible. **Click here to sign on**.

Invitations to the 2020 Cricket Camp will be available on Friday 8 November via MyGrammar.

#### **Trial Matches**

BGS Cricket has been busy preparing for the the Annual Powderfinger Cup against Gregory Terrace in two weeks and the 2020 GPS Cricket season.

Over the September holidays, we held trial matches for both the Senior and Junior Development Squads against teams from New Zealand, Adelaide, Geelong and Brisbane. All age groups participated in specialist and development training sessions.

Well done to the BGS boys, who won eight out of the 10 matches played. Highlights of the week included:

- Ben Mooney (69) v Marist Ashgrove
- Callum Vidler (66 not out) v Marist Ashgrove and (52 not out) v Geelong Grammar
- Conan Trewin (4-23 off nine overs) v St Patrick's College, NZ
- Connor Nowlan (88) v St Patrick's College, NZ;
- Fin Ross (3/39 of 10 overs) v Scotch College, Adelaide.
- Hugh Couper (102) v St Patrick's College, NZ;

- Hugh Weibgen (53) v Scotch College, Adelaide
- Jock Horton (50 not out) v Marist Ashgrove
- Jonty Davis (53) v Marist Ashgrove
- Oli Spence (59 not out) v Marist Ashgrove and (54) v Mega Courts, SA
- Soham Sane (53) v Marist Ashgrove
- Toby Matthews (80) v Onslow College, NZ (Game 2) and (63) v Onslow College (Game 3)



#### **Powderfinger Cup**

In two weeks, BGS cricketers will compete in the Powderfinger Cup. The First XI, Second XI and Years 5 to 10 A and B level teams will all play in the competition. Games will be played at Northgate from Monday 4 November to Thursday 7 November. BGS buses will be available for transport to and from Northgate.

The schedule is below:

Monday 4 November4.00pm - 5.45pm at Northga		5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B, 10B and Second XI	
Tuesday 5 November	4.00pm - 5.45pm at Northgate	5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B, 10B and Second XI	
Wednesday 6 November	4.00pm - 5.45pm at Northgate	5A, 6A, 7A, 8A, 9A, 10A and First XI	
Thursday 7 November	4.00pm - 5.45pm at Northgate	5A, 6A, 7A, 8A, 9A, 10A and First XI	

#### Wicket-keeping and Spin Bowling Sessions

Each Friday morning, we are holding wicket-keeping and spin bowling training sessions for all interested cricketers. The sessions run from 6.30am to 7.45am in the ISC.



#### **Training Schedule**

Boys are reminded that the 2020 Age Group Musters will commence in Week 6, Monday 11 November. They will be held at the Cricket Nets near Number 2 Oval.

Year level schedules are available on MyGrammar.

Monday 11 November	5.00pm - 6.30pm	2020 Year 5 screening trials (new students)	BGS Cricket Nets near No. 2 Oval
Tuesday 12 November	5.00pm - 6.30pm	2020 Year 7 screening trials (new students)	BGS Cricket Nets near No. 2 Oval
Monday 11 November Monday 18 November	3.15pm - 5.00pm	Years 5 and 6 Year Level Musters	BGS
Tuesday 12 November Tuesday 19 November	3.15pm - 5.00pm	Years 7 and 8 Year Level Musters	BGS
Thursday 14 November Thursday 20 November	3.15pm - 5.00pm	Years 9, 10 and 11 Year Level Musters	BGS
Friday 22 November	7.30am	Test Match Breakfast All BGS Cricket community members	Tattersalls

# **Junior Dramatic Production**

#### Don't miss your chance to see Trick or Treat!

Next week, the Junior Dramatic Production cast will showcase the newly created performance *Trick or Treat* over two spectacular shows.

Under the creative direction of Ms Sharni Folland and Ms Naomi Russell, the dedicated cast of 19 boys in Years 9 and 10 will bring 113 characters to life.

All students will benefit from watching this production. It encapsulates collaboration, creative thinking and outstanding performances from the entire cast. We encourage you to come along and enjoy a night of creative storytelling and magic in the theatre.

Book now to avoid disappointment. Tickets are available via the Events page on the BGS website here.

Dates | Thursday 31 October and Friday 1 November

**Time** | 7.00pm

Venue | BGS Theatre

**Cost** | \$15

#### Michael Moloney, Sharni Folland and Naomi Russell The Creative Team - *Trick or Treat*



### Acting Head of Middle School Rebecca Campbell

The Year 5 camp at Tallebudgera is a highlight of the year for our youngest students. The boys had a terrific time surfing, stand-up paddleboarding, kite making and kayaking.

Turning off technology and enjoying the great outdoors is becoming a lost pastime for many children. Experiences such as the Year 5 camp help students develop traits such as resilience and perseverance while strengthening friendships ahead of their transition to Year 6.

Thank you to Mr Paul Kenny and Mr Glenn McFarlane for organising the camp and to all staff who supported the boys.



Next week marks an important milestone for our Year 8 students with the tie ceremonies. Boys are reminded to purchase their school tie from the Grammar Shop before next week's ceremonies.

Invitations and important information regarding the ceremonies have been sent via email. Tie ceremonies will be held from 1.30pm – 3.00pm in the Great Hall on the following days:

- 8A 8C: Tuesday 29 October
- 8D 8F: Wednesday 30 October
- 8G 8I: Thursday 31 October

With Term 4 assessment approaching, students needing additional assistance are encouraged to attend the support activities offered throughout the term. A list of Term 4 academic support and extension opportunities is available on MyGrammar under each Year Level tab.

BGS provides a variety of extension opportunities throughout the year. This term, Mr Peter Fas continues a Friday lunchtime Mathematics extension club open to all Middle School students.

A Thursday afternoon Mathematics extension club for Years 7 and 8 students has also been organised by Mr Ian Grice. This club started last Thursday and will run for five weeks.

While students will gain the most benefit from attending extension sessions regularly, they are welcome to attend any session that fits into their schedule.

# Middle School Book Fair

This year, our Book Fair will run from Monday 4 – Friday 8 November in the Middle School Library. With Christmas approaching, this is a fantastic opportunity to acquire the latest titles or some old favourites. There will also be a range of gift merchandise.

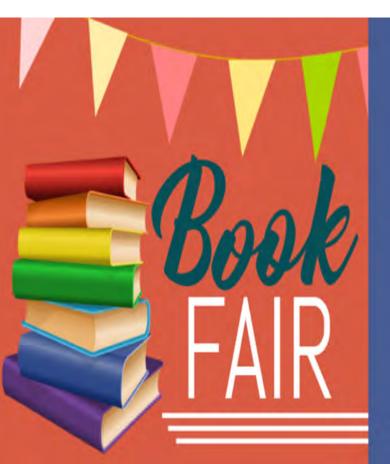
Boys will be able to shop before school, at lunch and after school until around 3.30pm. Parents are welcome to drop in during the day as well.

Books and other items are supplied by Dymocks Brisbane, with new stock arriving daily. Please contact **vicki.palmer@brisbanegrammar.com** if you have any questions.

#### Vicki Palmer Teacher Librarian







Monday – Friday Week 5 4 - 8 November

You will be able to purchase books in the Middle School Library.

Lots of fun things to buy!

Pay by cash or card.

Books and items provided by Dymocks Brisbane







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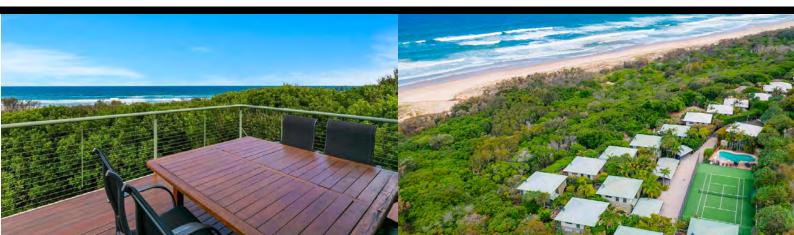




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The Retreat Beach Houses, Peregian Beach Absolute beachfront - total relaxation!



# **Volunteer Roster**

#### Week commencing Monday 28 October 2019

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

#### **Grammar Shop hours**

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

#### **Tuckshop hours** Weekdays

7.00am – 2.00pm

Week Four	Tuckshop Breakfast 7.00am - 8.00am	Tuckshop Morning Tea 8.00am - 2.00pm	Grammar Shop
<b>Monday</b> 28 October	Jenny Humphris	Renai Ridley (Team Captain)	Linda Miric
<b>Tuesday</b> 29 October	Lee Perkins	Lee Perkins (Team Captain)	Wendy Ricato
<b>Wednesday</b> 30 October	Humera Rahim Jill Johnston	Jill Johnston (Team Captain)	Danielle Jesser
<b>Thursday</b> 31 October	Donna Schultz	Meghan Mitchell (Team Captain)	Millie Yee
<b>Friday</b> 1 November	Catherine Ellemor Sirie Palmos	Wendy Smith (Team Captain)	Simone Muller

## 2019 Calendar

**Term 4** Tuesday 8 October – Friday 29 November

### **Upcoming Events**

**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.

#### **Blazer Embroidery Deadlines**

The following deadlines apply to receive blazers embroidery before for the Music Dinner and Speech Day:

- **Music Dinner** Blazers should have already been handed into the Grammar Shop. They will be available for pick-up by Thursday 7 November in time for the Music Dinner on Friday 8 November.
- Speech Day Blazers need to be at the Grammar Shop by morning tea on Friday 1 November. Please collect blazers by Tuesday 12 November for Speech Day on Wednesday 13 November.

Students who have received all of their awards are asked to drop their blazers at the Grammar Shop immediately.

#### Year 8 and Year 11 Ties

Years 8 and 11 students are reminded to purchase school and Senior School ties from the Grammar Shop.

Year 8 boys are required to have school ties ahead of the tie ceremony. Boys must provide ties to their Form Tutors by Tuesday 22 October. Ties are \$20 and are available in differing lengths (small, medium, large and extra large).

Year 11 students should purchase Senior School ties this term for use in 2020 Year 12. Senior ties cost \$25 and are one-size only (156cm).

#### Year 8 Senior School Uniform Purchases

Year 8 students must come to the Grammar Shop in Term 4 for their Senior uniform fitting. The senior summer uniform consists of the senior blue shirt, grey trousers and grey trouser socks. We encourage a parent or caregiver to attend to approve the sizes we recommend, but if this is not possible, we are more than happy to fit the boys on their own.

Appointments are not necessary. The boys can come in any time during our hours of trade – Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7.30am to 11.00am; Tuesday and Thursday 7.30am to 9.00am.

#### Year 11 Textbooks

Year 11 students must come to the Grammar Shop to purchase textbooks for this term's Units 3 and 4 if they have not already done so.

#### Tuckshop

It was great to see so many familiar faces at Celebrating Our Community. It was a wonderful night celebrating our many volunteers and acknowledging the Betty Howell Award recipients.

Today, the Tuckshop was only open for breakfast and morning tea due to the Spring Luncheon. A sausage sizzle fundraiser was held at lunchtime to feed the boys.

Our new poké bowls have been a big hit and will remain on the morning tea menu.

The Tuckshop team has said goodbye to our first group of Year 12 mums. They were given flowers and handwritten notes, which brought some tears. There will be more happy tears over the next few weeks!

Joanne Villiers P&F Auxiliary

# BGS150 memorabilia

*Light Dark Blue: 150 Years of Learning and Leadership at Brisbane Grammar School* is available for purchase. 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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### You too can be a champion!

Find out how to lead your Year Group Bursary (YGB).





Brisbane Grammar School Music Support Group

# CHRISTMAS 2019 SALMON DRIVE

# Fresh and Premium Tasmanian Smoked Salmon \$50 per 1kg pack

Each resealable pack contains a salmon fillet of exactly 1kg that is pre-sliced and vacuum-sealed to ensure absolute freshness. Salmon can be refrigerated for up to 3 weeks or frozen for up to a year.

# **ORDER NOW**

ORDERS CLOSE: Sunday 17 November Payment by direct debit or cheque made payable to "BGS Music Support Group"

COLLECTION 3pm - 6pm Wednesday 27 November from the BGS Tuckshop.

ENQUIRIES Tammy: tamal@bigpond.com / 0409 032 047 or Karen: ktseifert@hotmail.com / 0437 551 861

Return the form below to the music office OR by email to tamal@bigpond.com

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NUMBER OF PACKS: @ \$5	0 each TOTAL:	
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# 2019 Willow Club First Test Breakfast



Join the Willow Club for their traditional First Test Breakfast featuring Melanie Jones OAM, veteran Australian women's cricketer and commentator and Wayne Phillips, former Australian batsman and wicketkeeper.

#### Date

#### Time

#### **Tickets**

Friday 22 November

7.00am to 8.30am

\$60.00 per person

#### Venue

Tattersalls Club, 215 Queen Street, Brisbane

\*Discounted parking available at Queens Plaza and Wintergarden

\*\* Please note this event is not open to children of school age

Purchase Tickets

by Friday 15 November

Raffle tickets will be available for purchase during the breakfast. Some great prizes available.

For more information contact			
Dr Greg Malone	<b>T</b> 0422 996 962 <b>E</b> gmalone@brisbar	neurologyclinic.com.au	
Community Relations	T 61 7 3834 5741 E communityrelatio	ns@brisbanegrammar.com	



### Paul Dillon Parent Information Evening



### **Drug and Alcohol Education**

Each year, the School welcomes Paul Dillon from Drug and Alcohol Research and Training Australia (DARTA) to present the latest drug trends causing problems in the community. On Tuesday 29 October, he will speak to students in Years 10, 11 and 12.

Mr Dillon has been working in drug education for the past 25 years and believes the best way to protect young people is to empower them through education and good quality information. His best-selling book for parents Teenagers, Alcohol and Drugs was released in 2009.

Paul's presentations to the students are always well-received. As a former teacher with a tremendous wealth of knowledge, Paul has an ability to connect with students, something staff comment on each year. His key focus is on developing a trusting relationship with the boys, which ensures that the information he offers is highly valued.

Parents from all year levels are encouraged to attend his Parent Information Evening, which will be held at Brisbane Grammar School on Tuesday 29 October at 6.00pm in The Lilley Centre Forum.

Tuesday 29 October 2019

Date

**Time** 6.00pm

#### Venue

The Lilley Centre Forum

**REGISTER HERE** 

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### BGS Rowing River Party 2019



### You are invited to join the BGS rowing community to celebrate the upcoming rowing season.

*Date* Saturday 19 October 2019 *Time* 7.00pm til late Venue

**BGS Boatshed** 

Dress

Cocktail/ Smart Casual

*Cost* \$80.00 per person Includes drinks & Catering by Mathias Can Cook

#### **RSVP** here

by Saturday 12 October

BGS Rowing is proudly supported by









Tipperoo Support Group Anne Clifton - BGS Rowing Events Coordinator E janda.clifton@bigpond.com



## **BGS Junior Track and Field** End of Season Presentation

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



### Please join us in celebrating the 2019 GPS Track and Field Season (Junior)

Date

Thursday 31 October 2019 St Jo

St Joseph Nudgee College, Nudgee.

Venue

Time

Immediately following the Championships

### Tickets

\$10 per student

### **RSVP** here

RSVP Monday 28 October 2019

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

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



# BRISBANE GRAMMAR SWIMMING CAMP 2020



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he camp is an essential part of preparation for boys who are interested in trying out for the 2020 GPS Swimming Team.

### FOCUSING ON TECHNIQUE, FITNESS AND SPRINT SKILLS

All swimmers in years 7-12 (in 2020) should be attending. The camp will involve pool swimming, beach visits and a range of other activities.

The cost of the camp this year is \$550; this includes 2 nights accommodation, food, transport, activities and BGS Swimming Uniform. Swimmers new to BGS Swimming will need to purchase the BGS togs from the BGS uniform shop, to use for training throughout the season.

Please contact Mr. Matt Logan on 07 3834 5337 if you have any questions or concerns.









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