

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# Newsletter

Week 5 Term 4

Friday 8 November 2019



Farewell, Mr Ron Cochrane | Friday 8 November

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## Headmaster Anthony Micallef

I would like to pay tribute to five long-serving members of staff, who retire this year. Collectively they have served the BGS community for more than 100 years.

- Mrs Janet Grice has been a leading teacher of Science for two decades. Her command of Chemistry and love of Science were infectious, and generations of BGS boys have benefitted from her scholarship.
- Ms Helen Crestani who taught Maths with such passion, and more recently provided specialist numeracy support.
- Mrs Anne Crossan who provided invaluable personal and careers counselling.
- Ms Mary Marriott for tending to those who were injured or ill for over 24 years.
- Mr Ron Cochrane who served the School for almost 40 years as Boarding Master and Director of Sport. His encyclopaedic knowledge of all things BGS is unparallel and his investment in the personal development of students cannot be understated. An article in the upcoming edition of *Grammar News* will go into more detail about Mr Cochrane's contribution to BGS.

These dedicated members of staff have added to the strength of our community. I thank them for their service and wish them well in the future. At today's assembly, we recognised Mr Cochrane's incredible contribution to Brisbane Grammar School.



The assembly also provided an opportunity to farewell the graduating seniors, who will depart the School on Thursday next week. The Class of 2019 were a dynamic and energetic year group.

Focusing on the theme *as one,* the group created a special sense of belonging. I have been impressed with the way they have enacted the School Values. There is something that is perhaps intangible – maybe it is tradition – that encourages boys to connect to the School with their hearts and minds.

I wish the Class of 2019 good luck for their last week of school and well in life beyond BGS.





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Brisbane Grammar School students benefit enormously from the generosity of current and past parents, Old Boys, Trustees and staff. Bursaries play a vital role in fostering the diversity that is fundamental to a BGS education, giving students a firsthand understanding of different cultures, backgrounds, religions and means.

Please help more boys fulfil their potential by supporting your son's Year Group Bursary.

**Goal** --\$20M by 2020

# \$14,652,614

raised in total for the Bursary Fund

### **195 Current Parents** raised **\$325,978** for their sons' Year Group Bursary (YGB)

The year in which a student will graduate is their 'peer year'.



**Voluntary contributions** 

Tax deductible donations on fee statements are allocated to the year group of the eldest son at the School (unless parents split donations between more than one son's peer year).

#### In 2019, parents contributed





Please click on the relevant Year Group above to offer your support.

Click here to find out more about the 2019 Annual Appeal.

# **Spring Luncheon**

### Event wrap up

Spring was in the air on Friday 25 October as Brisbane City Hall's Main Auditorium was transformed into a sea of greenery to celebrate the annual P&F Auxiliary Spring Luncheon.

Over 600 parents and friends revelled in the chance to socialise, while a fabulous line-up of prizes helped raise more than \$25,000 for the P&F Auxiliary Bursary – enabling boys in financial need to attend Brisbane Grammar School.

Sincere thanks to our generous sponsors, P&F Auxiliary volunteers and the Advancement and Community Relations team for their contribution to a hugely successful day.

Click here to view the 2019 Spring Luncheon photo gallery.

#### Thank you to our generous raffle donors for their kind support of the **P&F Auxiliary Spring Luncheon.**

Please consider patronising these businesses when you next require goods or services.











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## Deputy Headmaster – Students David Carroll

### Class of 2019

Today was the final Senior School Assembly for the Class of 2019. It was an opportunity for the entire Senior School to farewell the cohort and thank them for their leadership throughout 2019.

Each year, BGS is fortunate to have excellent senior leadership from students, and this year was no different. They displayed great commitment to the School and fellow students. I thank the Form Seniors, School and Harlin House Prefects, and the team of Captains, Nick, Tim, Noah, James and Ryan for their authentic commitment to serving the School community this year.

As a smaller cohort, the Class of 2019 has worked harder to maintain the level of commitment displayed in previous years. In doing so, they have maximised Senior School engagement. This commitment has been wonderful to watch and aligned beautifully with their theme: *as one*.

I offer my appreciation to the team of Form Tutors, Mr Tim Holzgrefe and Mr Larry Carmichael, for the supportive environment they have created for this year's seniors. I am looking forward to next week's celebrations, particularly celebrating with parents next Thursday night at the Valedictory Dinner.

#### **Reality Television Shows**

It would be remiss of me not to mention the great concern I have with some aspects of modern reality television shows. While I have no training as an entertainment critique, I have enjoyed developing this skillset to assist adolescent boys.

Modern reality shows such as *Love Island* and *Married at First Sight*, among others, create countless issues for adolescent boys that confuse them. I do not think it constitutes entertainment for adolescent boys as it promotes behaviours that do not reflect reality.

I encourage you to think about how you manage reality television shows in your house.

### **Upcoming Date Claimers**

**Wednesday 13 November | Speech Day | Student Free Day Years 5 – 12** Boys in Years 9 to 12 will attend Speech Day.

**Tuesday 26 November | Middle School Presentation Afternoon | Student Free Day Years 9-11** Boys in Years 5 to 8 will attend Middle School Presentation Afternoon

Frank McClatchy Dean of Administration

### 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*.

# **Speech Day**

### Speech Day Livestream

For those who are unable to attend, Speech Day will be livestreamed and can be accessed **via this link** during the event.

### Tickets and date claimer

Below are the details for Speech Day 2019 and an explanation on how those of you who wish to attend can secure tickets. Speech Day and the presentation of prizes will be held during the afternoon, permitting all students in Years 9 to 12 the opportunity to experience the event and to join in celebrating the many accomplishments of our young men.

Date	Wednesday 13 November 2019
Time	12.30pm
Venue	Concert Hall Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) Grey Street and Melbourne Street South Brisbane QLD 4101

#### Arrangements

Below are the specific arrangements for Years 9 to 12 students for Speech Day:

- Not required to attend school that morning
- Meet with Form Tutors at 11.55am at QPAC for roll marking (except for prize winners and performing musicians)
- Map (right) shows details of relevant meeting points

Years 5 to 8 students have a student free day and will not attend school on this date.



### Ticketing

There is no prior ticket allocation for seats at QPAC, which will be limited to two per family.

Speech Day tickets are available for parents and family members who wish to attend from the Administration Assistants, Level 2 in The Lilley Centre. Tickets will be distributed on a first-in basis until exhausted and are only available for collection in person. Unfortunately, phone or email orders are not available.

Should you have any queries about arrangements for the day please call Rochelle Lynch on 07 3834 5262. Any ticketing enquiries should be directed to Lisa Solomon-Innes on 07 3834 5331.

Frank McClatchy Dean of Administration

# **2020 School Fee Accounts**

In mid-December, the School will be emailing 2020 fee accounts.

If your circumstances have changed and you wish to amend your payment method for next year, please complete the fee instalment nomination form and return it to BGS Accounts before the end of the school year (Friday 29 November 2019).

For example, if you wish to change:

- from annual upfront instalment to monthly or quarterly;
- from monthly to quarterly or annual upfront; or
- from quarterly to monthly or annual upfront.

The fee instalment nomination form can be **downloaded here**. Instalments may be changed without incurring a fee by Friday 29 November 2019. An administration fee of \$160 will be charged for changes after this date.

Direct debit from your savings account is also available on monthly accounts. This form can be downloaded here.

Please contact BGS Accounts if you have any questions.

### 2020 Payment Dates

Instalment type	Issue Date	Payment Date		
Annual	December 2019	15 February 2020		
Quarterly				
Term 1	December 2019	15 February 2020		
Term 2 21 April 2020		5 May 2020		
Term 3 14 July 2020		28 July 2020		
Term 4	6 October 2020	20 October 2020		
Monthly				
February 2020December 2019		15 February 2020		
March to NovemberFirst of each month15th of each month		15th of each month		

### Payment via MyGrammar

All fee statements issued to parents this year are available via MyGrammar. Your receipt and transaction history are also available via MyGrammar.

School fee payments can also be made via MyGrammar by clicking 'Make a Payment'. Visa, MasterCard, and American Express are accepted, with no surcharge. You can, if you choose, securely store your card details on your account for future use. Your card details will only be visible to our bank, not School staff.

An instructional document explaining how to make payments via MyGrammar can be accessed here.

If you experience any difficulties in accessing this information, please contact ICT staff on **ictadmin@brisbanegrammar.com** or (07) 3834 5777.

### **Alternative Payment Options**

Brisbane Grammar School is pleased to offer various payment options to our parents.

Edstart is an easy, flexible and low-cost way to pay for your son's education over an extended period of time, up to five years after your son finishes school. Edstart also allows you to fund boarding fees, amounts in arrears and additional charges such as the technology levy, camps and excursions, and voluntary contributions.

Please **click here** to apply online. Once approved, Edstart will pay the School the invoice amount due. You will then make regular monthly, fortnightly or weekly payments to Edstart.

Please note that in providing information about Edstart, we do not provide any recommendations, brokering or advice services. BGS does not receive referral fees, commissions or other remuneration from Edstart.

If you have any queries, please contact Edstart on 1300 139 445 or chat with their team at contact@edstart.com.au.

#### Kay Goodwin Director of Finance

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# Director of Boarding

### **Berian Williams-Jones**

Acknowledgement is important to build positive relations in any group environment, especially within a residential community. We know from experience that setting expectations and celebrating individual and group successes is a powerful tool.

The Harlin House community was founded on the same values that underpin the School. It is a respectful community that values learning, leadership and endeavour. We have placed these values as our House expectations, and they form the backbone of the messages the boys hear on a weekly basis.

Some of these expectations have been more readily adopted than others. Keeping your area clean and your bed made is one that we regularly revisit. Congratulations to all boys who received a bag of lollies form Ms Monique de Haan this week, in recognition of their efforts.

This time of year also brings formal recognition of boys who have made notable contributions to the BGS community. These boys will be recognised on Speech Day.

This year, there is a healthy boarding representation in the prize winners list. It would be remiss of me not to celebrate the academic achievements of Kuri An, Jamie Kenny, Alex MacGibbon, Aly Sultan, Sam Wolrige and Joshua Yuan. Harlin House was also well represented in the co-curricular awards with Kuri An, Bailey Curran, Harry Chapman, Kruz Rimene and Adam Taib receiving recognition.

Congratulations and thank you to the Harlin House seniors who have represented the community so well this year.

## Director of Outdoor Education Derek Jervis

10H had a wonderful week developing the values and virtues of leading others. Their expedition took them across the Teviot Range, leading them up creek lines and along ridges to arrive at their campsite, where they constructed simple bivvy shelters for the night.

Fletcher Griffiths put the needs of his group before his own. He was consistently selfless, friendly and hard-working. Sebi Powell had an excellent week. Sebi was motivated and enthusiastic. He showed strong leadership when in charge of his group and demonstrated initiative and support when his peers were leading.

Tingiran Amet and Ali Rahmanian were great participants who added value to their expedition groups. They were positive, hardworking and encouraged their peers during the expedition and centre activities.

Tom Stunden was a strong navigator and leader, particularly during the expedition. Tom was engaged in all discussions and decisions and demonstrated an empathetic approach to his group during the challenging components of the week.

At the end of the experience, Aalian Chowdry reflected on his time at Moogerah and wrote the following moving passage:

"Looking around, I see the benches I sat on and the friends I sat with. I see Mt Edwards behind me, Tower Hill on my left, Mt Greville on my right and Mt Alford just in front of me. With great difficulty, I climbed these peaks. These were the five days that I found most challenging. But now for my final year here, there's something more to it. I smile looking at the different peaks, remembering the memories I had on each one. I am grateful for these memories, and I am grateful to the staff for putting up with 30 stinking teenage boys. I can guarantee it made me a better student and an even better person. Thank you, Moogerah."

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



### Director of Student Wellbeing Programs Philippa Douglas

### Global Leadership Opportunity | 2020 Year 11 Students

BGS has been invited to take part in the following three prestigious global leadership summits in 2020:

	Date	Host	
Asia Pacific Youth Leaders Convention (APYLC)	12 April – 17 April 2020	Kaichi High School Wakayama, Japan	
Loudoun International Youth Leadership Summit (LIYLS)	20 March - 29 March 2020	Rock Ridge High School Loudoun County, Virginia, USA	
Asia Pacific Young Leaders Summit (APYLS)	19 July - 24 July 2020 (TBC)	Hwa Chong Institution Singapore	

These wonderful leadership opportunities allow BGS students to connect with other young people with leadership potential and a sense of global citizenship. BGS delegates will find common ground with their peers on pressing global issues and gain alternative perspectives.

Current Year 10 students who would like to represent the School at the APYLC in Japan, or LIYLS in the USA, are invited to apply.

For more information about the APYLC and LIYLS and how to apply, **click here**. Applications for the APYLS in Singapore will be advertised early next year.

Boys are welcome to apply for more than one leadership tour, but separate applications must be submitted for each.

### 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

# **National History Challenge Winners**

Many BGS boys recently competed in the National History Challenge. In this premier competition of the History Teachers' Association of Australia, students work as historians to research world history or examine Australia's past. This year's theme was *People and Power*. Congratulations to the many boys and their teachers, whose tremendous efforts have been rewarded with an impressive range of accolades.

A special mention to Year 10 student Angus Duncan, who received the Queensland Premier's Young Historian Award for best entry in the state across all age groups. Angus was commended for his rigour, expression and originality of thought in his essay *The People had Spoken* – an exploration of the role of Australians and key individuals during the Freedom Rides of the 1960s. The overall national winner will be announced on Monday 2 December during a ceremony at Parliament House in Canberra.

The Year 10 team of Rohin Bagga, Vijay Hari Kannan, Tom McCarthy-James and Patrick Moore was the national winner of the Australian Wartime Experiences special category. In their winning entry, the boys presented a forum discussion titled *Australian History Channel - People and Power - Periods and Perspectives*. They discussed *People and Power* in World War II, concentrating on Australia's relations with Britain, America and Japan while exploring how key individuals used their power positively or abused it. The boys will be presented their awards at the national presentation ceremony in Canberra by The Honourable Dan Tehan, Minister for Education and Training.

Year 6 student Anson Qiu-Tang was the overall winner in the Queensland Years 5 and 6 category. Anson produced a multi-modal presentation about an Australian soldier Thomas Currie Derrick. He connected Derrick's achievements to the theme *People and Power* by emphasising how an everyday Australian can have the power to influence others through positivity.

Congratulations also to the following students, who received silver certificates in recognition of their entries being selected as Queensland finalists and being sent for national judging:

- Stephen Baronio (Year 11)
- Cameron Bowie (Year 11)
- Max Simonidis (Year 10)
- Nicolas Howarth (Year 6)
- Hunter Neep (Year 6)

#### Susan du Rand Head of History



# **Duke of Edinburgh Award**

The internationally-recognised Duke of Edinburgh Award encourages participants to explore their individual interests and set personal goals in three core sections: skill, service and Physical Recreation. The Gold Award is the highest and most challenging level, as participants must commit at least one year to each section of the award and partake in an adventurous journey and a residential project.

This year, I have the pleasure of announcing that Year 12 student Thomas Meutermans recently achieved his Gold Award, the highest achievement of the International Award.

Thomas started his Duke of Ed journey in Year 9. Over the following four years, he achieved his Bronze and Silver Awards before commencing the Gold Award in Year 11. During this time, Thomas demonstrated unwavering commitment and determination.

Thomas has assisted with the homework club, volunteered at the Nursery Road State Special School and tackled adventurous journeys such as sea kayaking and hiking.

Thomas has been an outstanding ambassador for the Award and has approached each of the challenges with endeavour and integrity.

For more information about the Duke of Edinburgh Award, or to register your participation, please contact me at **kimberley.kovacevic@brisbanegrammar.com**.

#### Kimberley Kovacevic DofE Coordinator



## **FTC Robotics State Final**

On the weekend, two combined BGS and BGGS Robotics teams competed at the FIRST Tech Challenge State Robotics Competition. With 25 team members, we had the largest number of student participants and a strong contingent of BGS/BGGS parents supporting in the crowd and the pits.

This season's challenge is called SKYSTONE®. FTC have partnered up with Star Wars, Lucas Films to create a very challenging competition. In SKYSTONE®, our mission is to create a structure that 'pushes into the skies' to represent our team alliance. Our robots help us overcome obstacles that stand in our path to 'building a superstructure of the future.'

Queensland has the largest competition in the country, with over 40 teams competing to earn a place at the national finals. Our teams faced technical challenges on competition day, but both robots improved throughout the day and found some success.

Our two teams #14579 Bin Chickens and #16337 Grammaroos have been invited to compete at the FTC National finals at Macquarie University, Sydney, in the first week of the school holidays.

Teams have started the work required to raise our robots to the next level, and we wish them all the best for the upcoming National competition.



Mr Simon Canfield FTC Robotics Coach

### 2020 Art Support Group Meeting

Do you want to know what the Art Support Group does at BGS? Do you love all things art?

Please join us as we start planning for 2020. The meeting will be held on **Friday 15 November** at 9.00am in the Woolcock Room.

For further information, contact Art Support Group Secretary Kylie Tolhurst at **kylietolhurst@bigpond.com** or 0431 165 857.

Kylie Tolhurst Art Support Group Secretary

### Deputy Head – Co-Curriculum Greg Thorne

Three team performances last week were noteworthy examples of individuals working together for a common cause:

- Our 10 12 year old athletes represented the School at the Junior GPS Track and Field Championships on Thursday;
- The Trick or Treat cast and crew treated audiences to a fantastic production; and
- The senior Track and Field team contested the 2019 GPS championship at QSAC on Saturday, placing fifth.

Across these three different co-curricular teams, there were many outstanding performances which contributed to collective success.

I commend the boys involved for their dedication, commitment and leadership. I also thank the many staff involved in leading these boys to help them achieve their best.

### **Co-Curricular Sport Leadership**

At the end of 2019, Director of Sport Ron Cochrane will retire after many years of dedicated service. This week, we honoured Mr Cochrane on assembly; it was a moving occasion.

To position the School to meet strategic imperatives within the Co-Curriculum Sport and Activities domains, the current leadership structure has been reviewed. Several changes will occur in 2020.

The role of Director of Sport has evolved. I am pleased to advise that Mr John Clancy has been appointed as the Director of PE, Sport and Activities from 1 January 2020.

Mr Clancy will continue as Head of Physical Education, leading his dedicated team of Physical Education teachers, while also leading BGS Sport and Activities.

The Athletic Development Program (ADP) will also evolve. In 2020, this program will be known as Performance Development, taking a comprehensive approach to optimal, longitudinal preparation of our students for intelligent sporting performance.

The ADP will operate under the leadership of a Physical Education teacher, in collaboration with a strength and conditioning specialist who can support the preparation of students towards flagship and championship teams, within our educational setting.

To support and enable the duality of the Director of PE, Sport and Activities role, develop existing staff and align BGS Sports and Activities from Years 5 to 12, additional appointments will be made in the coming weeks.

Selection processes are currently underway for the following roles:

- Assistant Head of Physical Education to support the curriculum leadership of the Director of PE, Sport and Activities in the whole-school Physical Education department.
- Assistant Director of Sport to focus on aligning and mentoring Co-Curriculum Sport program leaders (MiCs and Directors) and to lead the development of program curriculum across Years 5 to 12.
- Head of Activities to work with the Director of PE, Sport and Activities and the Head of Middle School to lead initial engagement in Co-Curricular sport and other activities. This role will oversee all Activities (Co-Curricular clubs and special interest groups across Years 5 to 12), as well as student-centred activities and events within the Middle School.

These changes are the result of the work of many over several years. They will embed a leadership structure which rigorously aligns Physical Education, Sport, Activities and Performance Development.

I look forward to announcing future appointments and to the work ahead of us all, for the benefit of your sons.

### **Co-Curricular Photos Available**

Just Photography has created an online photo gallery of all the co-curricular sports teams, music ensembles, clubs and activities taken on our major photo days. These photos will appear in the School Magazine, but are also **available for purchase here**.

# **Track and Field**

Every point counts at the GPS Track and Field Championship. This message was reiterated to boys before the Senior and Junior championships last week, and they worked hard to secure a respectable fifth place at both championships.

### Junior GPS Track and Field Championship

Last Thursday, the 2019 Junior Track and Field Championship was held at St Joseph's Nudgee College.

The following boys won trophies on the day:

Athlete of the Future	Aaron Alphonso Lachlan Baker Archie Boorer Darcy Millsteed
Memorable Performance	Tom Gulliver Oliver Mellick Nick Scott
Trainer of the Year	Jonathan Chambers Nick Kelso Charlie Renshaw

### Senior GPS Track and Field Championship

Last Saturday, the Senior GPS Track and Field Championship was held at QSAC. The boys worked incredibly hard to secure fifth place, fighting for every point in the highly competitive championship.

BGS has finished in the top five at the championships for 20 consecutive years - a tremendous credit to all athletes and coaching staff.

Congratulations to BGS boys who achieved an outstanding 35 personal bests across the 69 events.

The following boys won trophies on the day:

Athlete of the Future	Thai Bui Kobi Griffiths Sieg Mackellar Finn Raymond
Memorable Performance	Xander Bourke Max Brockhurst Lachlan Leung Tom Stunden Alex Thakur
Trainer of the Year	Hugo Elix Tom Jackson Andrew Shuttleton Joshua Tran Elijah Wong
100m Trophy	Andrew Clare
400m Trophy	James McCoombes
1500m Trophy	Alexander Stitt

John Clancy MiC Track and Field

# Cricket

The BGS Cricket pre-season is in full swing, and our Senior squad has been preparing for their Tri-Grammar tour in January with internal matches and Twenty20 games against Marist Ashgrove College.

Last Friday, the team played at Chelmer. It was a very tight fixture, but the BGS boys prevailed on the last ball of the match to defend their total of 134.

BGS batted first on a slow wicket, and Hayden Spencer (28) and Hugh Couper (49) added 63 before the loss of the first wicket. Despite our fast start, quick wickets in the middle overs slowed our run rate significantly. Superb late innings hitting from Angus Tolhurst (16 from 13) and Angus Pearn (18 from 12) resulted in BGS finishing with a respectable total of 5 for 132 after 20 overs.

After a slightly below-par score, the boys knew we needed to start strong in the field. The opening bowling pair of Hugh Weibgen and Charlie Thomas worked well in tandem, placing pressure on the opposing batsmen, leading to an early wicket.

With more pressure built through the middle overs, Dan Skoien was rewarded with a much-needed wicket, breaking their second wicket partnership of 39 in the eighth over. Dan took another wicket in his next over, however lapses in concentration from bowlers through the middle overs allowed Marist to cruise at the required run rate.

Griff Adams stood in Marist's way, with a brilliant spell at the death where he finished with 2/17 off 4 overs, including keeping Marist to four runs off the final over when they needed seven to win.

In the final over, there were two run-outs where BGS remained calm under pressure. Defending a below-par score was a testament to our bowlers sticking to their plans and our ability to take our chances. This performance, while positive, emphasised the areas for refinement with the bat and ball. We will continue to work on these areas to be well prepared for the 2020 GPS Cricket season.



#### **Powderfinger Cup**

All B team fixtures were completed on Tuesday afternoon, with Gregory Terrace taking a 5 – 2 lead. BGS recorded wins in the Year 8 and Second XI team, with a narrow loss in the 5Bs match.

The A team fixtures were completed on Thursday afternoon, with victories recorded by the 5As and the First XI squad. However, these wins were not enough to make up for the Round 1 deficit. Gregory Terrace retained the Powderfinger Cup with an overall score of 10 - 5.

The games highlighted the need for better strike rotation when batting and improvements to bowlers' plan execution.

Results and highlights are listed on the following page.

Team	Results	Highlights		
5A	BGS 5/111 defeated GT 5/110	Elliot Gillman 26 (18 balls) and 1/6 (2); Matt Petersen 1/5 (2 overs)		
5B	GT 3/110 defeated BGS 8/102	Matthew Overlack 1/5 (2 overs); Hardik Bhutada 14 (14 balls)		
6A	GT 5/104 defeated BGS 9/96	Vishnu Kangatharan 24 (20 balls); Dom Scott 2/17 (4 overs); Will Driessen 2/13 (4 overs)		
6B	GT 5/137 defeated BGS 6/77	Michael Dore 1/7 (2 overs); Hunter Neep 15 (24 balls)		
7A	GT 2/130 defeated BGS 8/68	Thomas Stannard 1/24 (4 overs); Sam Wallwork 22 runs		
7B	GT 3/115 defeated BGS 9/76	Cooper Penrose 1/6 (3 overs); Henry Mercer 23 runs		
8A	GT 7/107 defeated BGS 7/105	Brad Mackintosh 29 (25 balls); Callum Vidler 24 (13 balls Oli Spence 3/19 (4 overs)		
8B	BGS 6/97 defeated GT 6/96	Sohan Sane 29*(22 balls) and 2/16 (4 overs); Aadeesh Singhal 3/8 (4 overs); Doug Chapman 24 (24 balls)		
9A	GT 4/98 defeated BGS 8/80	Toby Matthews 22 runs; Nadula Tennakoon 1/12 (4 overs)		
9B	GT 6/127 defeated BGS 9/58	Andy Miller 24 runs; Anushan Thangaval 2/22 (3 overs)		
10A	GT 8/131 defeated BGS 6/84	Josh Sommer 20 (27 balls); Krishna Kangatharan 2/18 (4 overs)		
10B	GT 7/128 defeated BGS 7/92	Eshaan Raj 21 (25 balls) and 2/24		
Second XI	BGS 6/84 defeated GT 8/83	Tom Heading 28 runs; Dan Skoien 2/7 (4 overs)		
First XI	BGS 8/99 defeated GT 6/93	Hugh Couper 52 (51 balls); Griff Adams 1/13 (4 overs); Will Chapman 2/22 (4 overs)		

#### **Cricket Muster Trials and Activities**

Over the next two weeks, Cricket muster trials and activities will be held for ALL year groups. Details are outlined in the table below and are available via MyGrammar. I encourage all cricketers to make every effort to attend their scheduled training session(s).

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 21 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

Trevor Irvine Director of Cricket

# Swimming

Registrations for the 2020 GPS Swimming Camp close on Friday 15 November 2019. Please complete your registration as soon as possible. Registrations for the Years 5 to 7 2020 Swimming Clinic close on Monday 13 January 2020.

I encourage all swimmers who have returned to the pool to start their preparations as soon as possible.

### 2020 Years 5, 6 and 7 Swimming Clinic | Wednesday 22 - Thursday 24 January 2020

The annual Years 5, 6 and 7 swimming clinic will be held at the BGS Indoor Sports Centre during the final week of the Christmas school holidays (Wednesday 22 January – Thursday 24 January). **Please click here to register.** 

The clinic is an excellent opportunity for boys interested in trying out for the swimming team to accelerate their preparations. It also allows new BGS students to familiarise themselves with the School, staff and peers.

Sessions will involve stroke technique, land training and race practice. Boys who are also involved in BGS Cricket clinics are reminded that there will be a bus from BGS to cricket games on the morning of Wednesday 22 January after completing their swimming session.

#### GPS Swimming Camp 2020 | Years 7 - 12

The annual swimming camp will be held at the Sunshine Coast during the last week of the Christmas holidays (Monday 20 January – Wednesday 22 January 2020). The camp provides essential preparation for boys who want to try out for the 2020 GPS Swimming Team. All swimmers in 2020 Years 7 to 12 are invited to attend. The camp includes pool sessions, beach visits and other activities.

Please see the **attached flyer** or MyGrammar for further information for the camp. Registrations close on Friday 15 November 2019.

#### Matt Logan MiC Swimming

## Tennis

Congratulations to Year 10 student Alexander Patane, who qualified for the 16/U 2019 Australian Championships. It is a huge achievement where Alex will have the opportunity to compete against the best boys aged 16 and under in the country.

The event will be held in Melbourne and starts on Wednesday 11 December.

#### Michael Fancutt Director of Tennis



# **Junior Dramatic Production**

### That's a wrap!

Our final 2019 Dramatic Production *Trick or Treat* wowed audiences across two evening performances last week. The cast and crew did a spectacular job and received great reviews.

"Congratulations on a fabulous show. It was a clever mix of dark and funny, with a really slick production. All the hard work has paid off."

"Absolutely loved the show. Great casting, intricate staging, epic lighting and a killer soundtrack. The stories were incredibly engaging, and the boys brought them to life so well!"

It has been a 'treat' to work with such a diverse and talented ensemble this year. In true Junior Dramatic Production style, the cast diligently applied themselves to the devising process. They contributed clever ideas and took artistic risks, demonstrating their professionalism and dedication to their development as actors.

It would not be a Halloween show without a few 'tricks', and we thank Technical Director Mr Michael Moloney for his expertise in executing the sound and lighting design. As always, he was capably supported by a trio of talented techies from Years 8 to 10.

*Trick or Treat* was not just the work of the cast and crew, with many staff contributing. We are indebted to the BGS Maintenance Department for their skilful construction of the set, and to Head of Drama Ms Tanya Neilsen. Her commitment to the dramatic arts is always evident through the valued mentorship of the directorial team and cast.

Thank you also to those in the wings – parents, guardians, and families – who support the cast and crew throughout the production process.

Thank you to the staff and BGS community for supporting the artistic growth of our Years 9 and 10 boys.

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



## Acting Head of Middle School Rebecca Campbell

As part of the Year 8 English unit *How does poetry achieve its purpose?*, students have been experimenting with poetic style and form, and creating and sharing original poems about their lives and the issues they care about.

To celebrate the boys' creative works, the English Department and the BGS Library hosted the annual Year 8 Poetry Slam last week. Nine poets represented their English classes to compete for the title of 2019 Slam Champion. Poets included David Butler, Connor Haley, John Kim, Christopher Lui, Tharuka Perera, Josh Stamatellos, Patrick Strotton, Ethan VanderWal and Callum Vidler.

David (8F) claimed the title, performing his powerful and confronting poem *I am who I am*. Callum (8H) and Patrick (8E) were awarded runners up. Congratulations to all boys involved for their wonderful performances.



This year, the Middle School is once again supporting the St Vincent de Paul Christmas appeal by creating hampers for refugee families living in Brisbane. St Vincent de Paul will deliver hampers to the families later this year. Several classes have already filled one hamper and are eager to contribute more.

Students are invited to donate non-perishable food items, toiletries and Christmas gifts for their allocated family. Our Middle School boys are incredibly generous, and I thank all families for supporting this worthy cause.



Middle School Presentation Afternoon is a significant event where our Middle School community celebrates the academic and co-curricular achievements of students across Years 5 to 8. This year's event will be held on Tuesday 26 November at QPAC, commencing at 12.30pm. Invitations will be sent to all families via email early next week. Due to limited seating capacity at QPAC, the ticket allocation is restricted to two per family. Tickets are not required for Middle School students, as they have been allocated seating with their class. We look forward to sharing this important event with you.

Congratulations to all boys who participated in the GPS Track and Field Championships last week. Once again, our boys proudly represented the School, and their efforts were rewarded with some excellent results. Please refer to the Track and Field section for more details.

### Reminders

The Middle School Library and Centenary Library will be closed after school on Presentation Afternoon, Tuesday 26 November. BGS supervision will not be available for Years 5 and 6 students on this day.

A reminder that Wednesday 13 November (Senior School Speech Day) is a Student Free Day for all Middle School students.

# The Great Book Swap

### Indigenous Literacy Day 2019

The Year 5 Public Purpose Committee is again supporting the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. The foundation provides books and literacy resources to remote Indigenous communities and raises community awareness of Indigenous literacy issues.

This year, we are running the Great Book Swap for Years 5 and 6 students at lunchtime on Friday 22 November.

How it works:

- Students bring in books that others will appreciate. Books must be in good condition and of reasonable quality.
- For each book they want to swap, students need to make a \$2 donation.
- For each book they bring in, students will receive a swap voucher, allowing them entry to the book swap. Boys can swap the same number of books as they provided. If a student brings in three books, he can swap them for three books, and it will cost him \$6.

We started collecting on Monday 4 November. Books and money are to be brought in by Thursday 21 November.

Books can be brought to our collection point outside the Middle School Office between 8.00am and 8.20am each morning. Student details will be recorded for the swap vouchers. Vouchers will then be given out on the day of the Great Book Swap.

Please encourage your sons to get on board. We hope to make this our best year for this very important cause.

#### Justin Shears Coordinator of Year 5 Public Purpose

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# Years 5 & 6 GREAT BOOK SWAP

### FRIDAY 22nd NOVEMBER (Week 7)

Imagine if you could not read the newspaper, instructions on medication, or read the time on a digital clock. This is reality for some in over 250 remote Indigenous communities.





To help these children, bring in books and \$2 per book to Middle School Office (8:00-8:15am)!

to help Indigenous children develop reading skills!

# 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



# **Volunteer Roster**

#### Week commencing Monday 11 November 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 Six	Tuckshop Breakfast 7.00am - 8.00am	Tuckshop Morning Tea 8.00am - 2.00pm	Grammar Shop
<b>Monday</b>	Cecilia Chan	Bronwyn Stilwell	Tomomi Tanowaki
11 November	Jenny Humphris	(Team Captain)	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Florence Tiong	Fara Tavakol	Rachel Moss
12 November	Helen Dobson	(Team Captain)	
<b>Wednesday</b> 13 November			
<b>Thursday</b> 14 November	Wei Shi Palingu Aponso Donna Schultz	Gabby Elliott (Team Captain)	Allison Kay
<b>Friday</b>	Natasha Kalinina	Jo Wong	Jodie Curtis
15 November	Sirie Palmos	(Team Captain)	

## 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.

#### Tuckshop

This week, we said goodbye to a few more of our fantastic Year 12 mums and one very special grandmother. Louise Rosemann's mum (Noah Rosemann's grandmother) has been coming in for quite a few years, and it has been wonderful to have her in the Tuckshop with us.

We also say goodbye to the Siganto family, who have been part of the BGS community for 16 years! Thank you to Lou for all your fantastic support in the tuckshop over the past 13 years. After four gorgeous boys have passed through BGS, we say goodbye.

We wish our Year 12 mums all the best as they enter the final school week with their boys.



### Blazer Embroidery | Speech Day Collection

Boys who handed in blazers for embroidery before Speech Day are reminded to check MyGrammar for collection status. The list can be accessed via MyGrammar > P&F Auxiliary > Uniforms > Embroidered item pick up list. Payment can be made at the Grammar Shop.

### 2020 Year 12 Ties

Year 11 students must come the Grammar Shop in Term 4 to purchase Year 12 ties for use in 2020. 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.

### **Grammar Shop Opening Hours**

The Grammar Shop will continue regular hours until Tuesday 26 November, after which it will close for stocktake and the holidays. Please check MyGrammar for 2020 opening dates.

#### 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*.

Click here to view all BGS150 memorabilia – limited stocks remain.

# BGS150 History Book **Purchase now**



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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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*NOTE* NEW ACCOUNT DETAILS	



# 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	T 0422 996 962 E gmalone@brisbaneurologyclinic.com.au				
Community Relations	<b>T</b> 61 7 3834 5741 <b>E</b> communityrelations@brisbanegrammar.com				



# Year 9 Parent Casual Morning Tea

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



# You are invited to join fellow Year 9 parents for a casual morning tea.

### Date

Friday 15 November 2019

### Time

7.30am - 10.00am

### Venue

The Garden Room, 1 Parkland Boulevard, Roma Street Parklands

Morning tea at guest's own expense

**RSVP** here

by Wednesday 13 November

For more information please contact Year 9 Parent Representative:

### Wendy Ricato

E wendy.ricato4@outlook.com



# Year 10 Parent Casual Morning Tea

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



## You are invited to join fellow Year 10 parents for a casual morning tea.

### Date

Friday 15 November 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 Tuesday 12 November

For more information please contact Year 10 Parent Representatives: Gemma Ruddell / Melina Vrettos

E gemmaruddell@hotmail.com



# Year 7 Parent Casual Morning Tea

BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



# You are invited to join fellow Year 7 parents for a casual morning tea.

### Date

Thursday 21 November 2019

### Time

8.30am - 10.30am

### Venue

The Garden Room, 1 Parkland Boulevard, Roma Street Parklands

Morning tea at guest's own expense

**RSVP** here

by Monday 18 November

For more information please contact Year 7 Parent Representative:

**Rachel Emery** 

E rachelemery@optusnet.com.au

# BGS SWIMMING JUNIOR CLINIC (Y5 - Y7) 2020

# 22 - 24 JANUARY 2020 BGS POOL

# FOCUSING ON TECHNIQUE, FITNESS AND SPRINT SKILLS

The clinic is open to all boys who are in Year 5, 6 & 7 at BGS in 2020.

The intensive swimming week is an excellent opportunity for boys who are interested in trying out for the Swimming Team and kick starting their preparations.

It also gives any new boys coming into the BGS community, a chance to familiarize themselves with the school and some of the staff and students. The sessions will involve stroke technique work in the pool, dry land training and race practice. Breakfast will be provided for all the swimmers at 8.00am each morning. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Matt Logan - (07) 3834 5337.



# \$150

CLICK HERE Includes Cap, T-Shirt, Swim/Gym Sessions and Breakfast Daily



SIGN ON CLICK HERE Registration closes

Registration closes 13 January 2020



WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BRING?

TOWEL GOGGLES WATER BOTTLE P.E UNIFORM JOGGERS

# 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.







### ICT Knowledge Base Article



### Making Fee Payments via MyGrammar

The MyGrammar portal provides access to a range of online services, including the ability to make fee payments and access financial details, such as fee statements and previous transactions, in relation to your son's enrolment.

#### Log On To MyGrammar

Log on to MyGrammar at https://in	ntranet.brisbanegra	mmar.com				
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Or click on MyStudent > Accounts.			Absences Accounts	1		
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A form will appear that lets you specify how much you wish to pay.

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Choose a card option for payment. Card Type **New Card** For new cards, enter your card details. Expiry Month 05 💌

You can override this amount by typing another amount in the space provided.

If you want to save your card details for future transactions select the Save Details for Next Time option.

The Payment Amount will default to the Total Amount Owing.

After entering the required information click on the Next button.

Click on Pay Now when you have completed entering/checking your card details.

### Stored Cards

Amount To Pay

Click on Select to use the relevant credit card.

### Manage Stored Cards

You can store multiple card details in this section.

Click on the New Payment Option button and enter the details for a new or additional card.

Edit or delete a stored card, or add cards, by clicking on the Edit or Delete buttons next to the relevant card.

Click on Save.

#### **Pending Status for New Cards**

The card details will be in a Pending status until it is verified through a nightly process. In the meantime, you can use the stored card for payment. The page shows the status updates for a stored card and allows you to use a new or existing stored card.

Pay Now

Select

Save details for next time

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