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GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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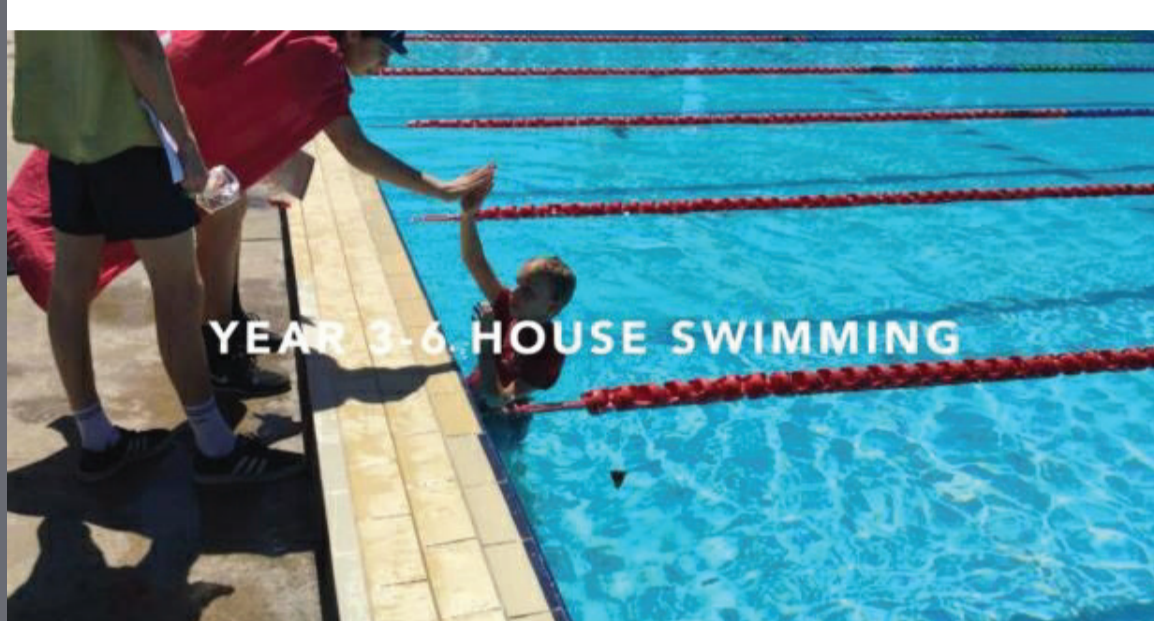
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### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS FROM VANUATU

We are delighted to welcome two visitors from Vanuatu, Joey Samuel and Noel Waoute; who will be with us for all of Term 1. Their visit is a further bond with our friends at Erakor School and many of you will have spent time with the Erakor staff during their visit in 2017. Noel is the son of Erakor Teacher, Meriam and Noel is her nephew. Joey and Noel have thrown themselves into all aspects of life at Balcombe and have been warmly welcomed by all, including the wider community. Joey and Samuel have embraced all opportunities to become involved and their enthusiasm is infectious. Joey has been playing for the Mount Martha Cricket Club at weekends and recently Noel attended a camp with a local youth group. During their time here in Victoria they are staying with a local family with strong ties to Balcombe and we thank them for the generosity with which they have welcomed Joey and Noel. If any family would like to include the boys in an after school dinner or weekend activity, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school.

Ms Lorna Griss  
International Student Co-ordinator

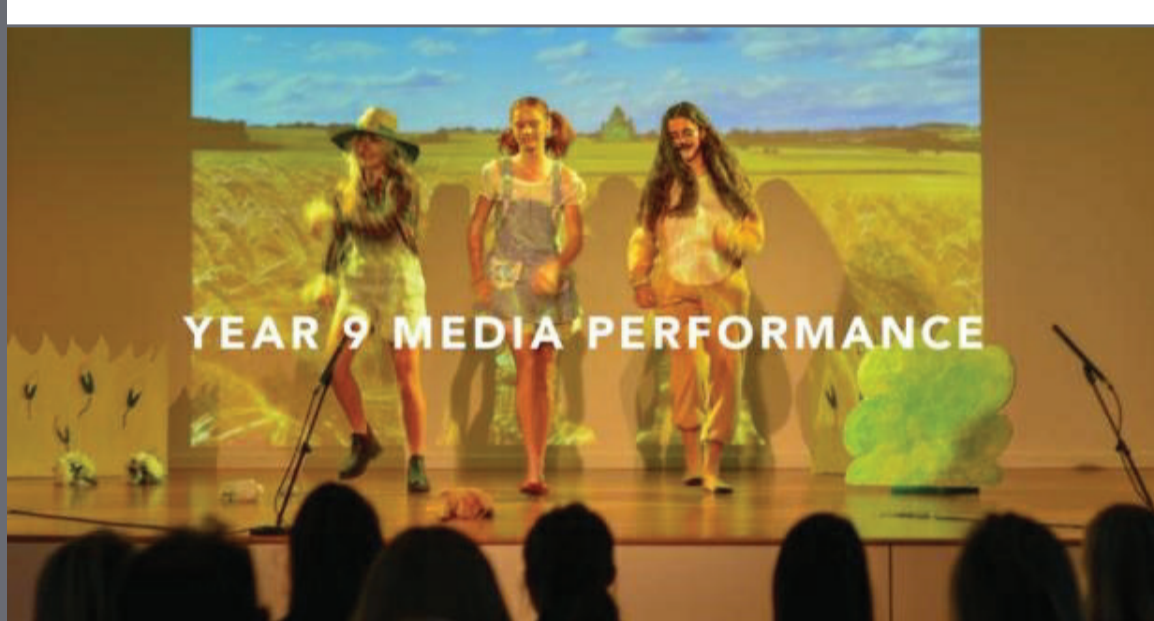


## YEAR 3-6 HOUSE SWIMMING

### PRIMARY HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Primary House Swimming Carnival proved to be the closest finish in Balcombe history. The destination of the winning trophy remained a mystery until the final relay race. Students from every House, of every age category threw themselves into the pool with tremendous energy and commitment to their Houses. The lead changed hands on numerous occasions. The whole event rested on the final relay race with both Weston and Norman House in contention. Norman powered to a thrilling win lifting the trophy by just 20 points. A big thank you to the staff, students, parents and grandparents for making the day such a big success.

Mr Andrew Martin  
Physical Education Teacher



## YEAR 9 MEDIA PERFORMANCE

### YEAR 9 MEDIA AND PERFORMANCE

The first Media and Performance group of the Year 9 Program performed a mini-production of 'Oz' this week.

'Oz' is an adaptation of the classic 'Wizard of Oz'.

Students worked hard over a six-week block carrying out all production jobs including; directing, sound and lighting, costume design, set design, marketing as well as completing all media tasks.

This is a huge task to undertake in six weeks. The students had a great work ethic and this resulted in a wonderful performance on the night.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATES

### UNIFORM UPDATE

As we get into the swing of a new school year, here are a couple of important reminders and updates relating to the school uniform.

As members of the Balcombe Grammar School community, all students are expected to wear the school uniform appropriately at all times. This includes wearing blazers to and from school, wearing correct socks, and hair tied back appropriately.

We take our responsibility to a Sun-Safe approach seriously and it is important that students have a hat on whenever they are outside at recess and lunchtime.

You may also have noticed a new Rain Jacket, which is now available to purchase as a uniform item. The Uniform Policy has been updated to include the Rain Jacket and the rules about when it can be worn. The key information here is that:

- The new Rain Jacket is a waterproof jacket, with hood, and is Balcombe branded.
- The Rain Jacket may be worn as an outer garment at school or on the way to and from school, when it is raining.
- The Rain Jacket may be worn as an outer garment on excursions, tours and field trips, when it is raining.
- The Rain Jacket may not be worn in the classroom.
- The Rain Jacket does not replace the School Blazer, which is required at all formal events including Assemblies and Services.

Below is a link to the full UNIFORM POLICY and more information about the new Rain Jacket.

[BGS School Uniform Guidelines](#)



## FOUNDERS' ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY 1 MARCH 2018

SCHOOL GYMNASIUM @ 10:30AM

### CYCLE ONE

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#### WEEK 5

Thursday 1 March  
Reading Sessions for Foundation Parents  
Founders Assembly

Friday 2 March  
Girlsail Excursion

### CYCLE TWO

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#### WEEK 6

Thursday 8 March  
Unit 3 PE Golf Excursion

Friday 9 March  
Year 3-6 Interschool Swimming  
Year 10 SIS Sport  
Year 10 OE Surf Excursion

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