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Merredin College Weekly Community Update

YOUR DONATION WOULD BE APPRECIATED!

In Week 10, we acknowledge Primary and Secondary students for academic achievement and citizenship. There are also special awards given. If you would like to donate to an award, please contact Bev Irving (bev.irving@education.wa.edu.au or 90410900).

The value of awards varies between \$25—\$50

MERREDIN COLLEGE WEBSITE

<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/latest-news/>

P & C UNIFORM SHOP HOURS TERM 4

Tuesdays Only: 10:30am — 3:30pm





Merredin College's 'Thank a Volunteer' Morning Tea

Dear Volunteer

The staff and students at Merredin College recognise the valuable contribution you have made as a volunteer at our school this year.

We would like to thank you in a more formal way at a special morning tea to be held in your honour.

When: Friday 1 December 2017

Time: 11.00am—11.30am

Where: Merredin College Southern Staffroom

RSVP: Monday 20 November 2017 to Bev Irving 90410900



"Volunteers don't necessarily have the time, but they have the heart"
Anonymous

P&C MEETING

The final meeting for 2018 will be held on Monday 27 November at 3.15pm in the Primary Staffroom (next to Primary Office). The P&C committee would like to encourage you to attend these meetings wherever possible, which will ultimately benefit your child and their education. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you!

STAFFING 2018

Although some staffing processes are still underway, the following positions have been confirmed.

We welcome Mrs Barbara Smith as the new Deputy Principal (Primary). She will be visiting on Monday 4 December to introduce herself to staff and students.

We appreciate the fantastic work of Mrs Leah Boehme who has held this position for the last six months.

Other new staff include:

Nathan Braganza	(Secondary Maths)
Daniel Aiafa	(Secondary Maths)
Larissa Boon	(Secondary Science)
Nadia Cuthbertson	(Secondary Science)
Sam Dawson	(Secondary English)
Natalie Warnock	(Secondary English)
Amanda Cash	(Home Economics)



MERREDIN COLLEGE FACEBOOK PAGE

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STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

Water fights during recess and lunch breaks are not allowed. Anyone caught throwing water around or on other people will receive a detention. Repeat offenders may be suspended.

We are also noticing students with writing all over their arms and legs. If they are caught like this they will be asked to remove it immediately. Students who continue to receive warnings will also face a suspension.

GOOD STANDING

Students and Parents please note the following:

Failure to complete set work and coming unprepared to class consistently will lead to loss of Good Standing and a notification sent home. In this case Good Standing will be reinstated after two weeks with suitable work completion and resumption of appropriate class preparation.

This rule is not new but with end of year reward time approaching and the 2018 Ball preparations for Year 10-12 students well underway now is a good time for a reminder.

SECONDARY REPORTS

Teachers are very busy writing secondary reports for Year 7-11 students. It is anticipated that Year 10 and 11 reports will be emailed by the end of Week 8. It is planned to email Year 7-9 reports on 12 December. Please be aware that the reporting link only stays 'live' for 4 weeks. Parents who do not have access to email, will be provided with a printed copy of the report.

YEAR 7-9 AWARDS FUNCTION

This will occur on Wednesday 13 December in the gym from 1.15pm-2.15pm. Students are requested to be dressed in full school uniform. We are delighted to announce that our Regional Executive Director (Miss Alison Ramm) has accepted an invitation to attend.

YEAR 7—10 REWARD ACTIVITIES

At the end of this term, students who have maintained Good Standing and achieved at least 90% attendance will be invited to attend their year group rewards session at the Merredin Pool. Students will be receiving permission slips in the coming weeks.

STUDENT EMAIL ACCOUNTS

Enhancements to Office 365 student accounts by the Department of Education are planned for the Christmas vacation period that will result in **all student email content being deleted**. Year 11 students have left the school campus, so an email will be sent to them to communicate this message. They can then back up any required emails, contacts or attachments before the Christmas holidays.

The attached help document provides advice on how to do this.

SPORT AND HONOUR BADGES

See Rochelle Willis in the Home Economics department from Monday to Wednesday or phone on 0458 557542 to have your child's honour badges stitched to their jacket. Price \$10 per jacket. Please make sure the jacket is clearly marked when you bring it in together with \$10.00.



THE 2018 C.A.S. HAWKER SCHOLARSHIPS

C.A.S. Hawker Scholarships are available to undergraduate students in Australia. Each residential scholarship is valued at up to **\$60,000 over three years**. Information and an application form are available at www.hawkersscholarship.org or by contacting the secretary to the Trustees on 08 8127 1654. The scholarships are available to all Australian students. Applications close on 5 January 2018.

SECONDARY SCHOOLING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018-NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Department of Education coordinates a range of scholarships, grants and prizes to meet some of the costs of secondary schooling.

Eligibility criteria and information on how to apply can be found at: <http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/education/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/>. An online submission process is used for lodging most applications.

The closing date for most of the Department's scholarships is **5.30pm Thursday 9 December 2017**.

YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR MASTERCLASS

The Young Entrepreneur Masterclass event will be held at Trinity College from Wednesday 10 January to Friday 12 January 2018. It provides young West Australians the opportunity to embrace the growth of innovation and entrepreneurship. The target audience is students 12 to 18 years of age interested in gaining advanced knowledge in Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

Sessions include: successful young entrepreneur stories, entrepreneurship and innovation workshops on the topics of Intellectual Property, Innovation Design, Marketing, and Business Budgeting. There is also an opportunity to pitch a new Innovation idea with the chance to win \$2000 from Bendigo Bank.

Final date for enrolment is Friday 1 December 2017. Contact www.innovationinstitute.com.au

CBH GROUP LEEUWIN SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN IN NOVEMBER

In a renewed 3-year agreement with the Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Foundation, CBH Group will offer six annual scholarships to students in its grain growing zones through to 2020.

The CBH Group scholarships apply to a student in the Midwest Zone, Esperance Zone, Albany Zone, Kwinana City and two

students from the Central Wheatbelt to attend a Leeuwin Youth Development Voyage.

Since 2016, CBH Group have sponsored six students annually to experience a week at sea to meet students from other areas of Western Australia and gain skills to return to their community.

"CBH believes in growing strong communities and investing in our young community members, so extending our support of this valuable program was an easy decision," CBH General Manager of Grower and External Relations Brianna Peake said.

The Foundation are currently taking scholarship applications until 30 November 2017 from all major zones and will announce the recipients in December. To download an application form [click here](#).

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN-THE WESTERN AUSTRALIA POLICE FORCE ABORIGINAL CADET PROGRAM

The Aboriginal Cadet Program has been developed to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth to seek a career in policing.

The WA Police Force are currently seeking applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, between the age of 17 and 25, who are looking for an exciting opportunity to develop their skills and experience and commence the Aboriginal Cadet Program.

This group of cadets will be deployed to police stations where they will gain exposure to a range of unique policing activities and receive important job related training, including access to mentors to assist them in reaching their potential.

Successful regional placements at major centres will be considered on a case by case basis and every effort will be made to assist and support these Cadets. Based in regional WA they may be required to attend block training within the Perth Metropolitan area throughout their cadetship, with accommodation provided at the WA Police Academy.

Metropolitan students will attend North Metropolitan TAFE as part of the cadetship.

If you are, or if you know of a young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander who would be interested in this new and exciting opportunity, please encourage them to apply. They can contact Hilary King, on (08) 9301 9573 for further information or go to www.stepforward.wa.gov.au.

Applications are currently open and are due to close Friday, 22 December 2017 at 4:00pm.

Full details of the selection process and application forms are available on <https://www.stepforward.wa.gov.au/join-wa-police/aboriginal-cadet/>

UWA SCHOOL OF DESIGN—OPEN DAY

On Wednesday 29 November the UWA School of Design is opening it's doors from 2 – 7pm to all WA school students who may be interested in studying Architecture, Visual Arts, Landscape Architecture, Art History or Urban Design.

We will have student work on display, and academics and course advisors available to answer questions about our courses. For more information contact Jane Bisschops on 6488 1881 or email jane.bisschops@uwa.edu.au

PRIMARY *link*

SPARE PARTS PUPPET THEATRE REWARD YR 4-6

Our end of year reward will be held on Friday 1 December. Eligibility will be based on attendance and Good Standing. Students must have an average attendance over the year of 95% and have maintained Good Standing throughout the year.

Got a question about this? Ms Leah Boehme (Deputy Principal)

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Teachers are in the process of finalising reports at the moment and we expect them to be emailed out or sent home with students on Friday 8 December and the Kindergarten 1 class will receive them on Monday 11 December.

Got a question about this? Ms Leah Boehme (Deputy Principal)

MERRYDIN

Our end of year concerts will be held in the Merredin College Gymnasium again this year as our community attending the concert has outgrown the other facilities in town. Students are busy rehearsing their performances and notes are starting to go out from classrooms about costumes that may need to come in from home. If you know your child won't be attending the concert can you please ensure their classroom teacher is aware so arrangements can be made to alter choreography/speaking parts if necessary.

K-2 MerryDin: Tuesday 12 December at 6pm

Yr 3-6 MerryDin: Wednesday 13 December at 6pm

Got a question about this? Ms Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principal)



Save the Date:

27 November

P&C Meeting
3.15pm Primary

1 December

Thank A Volunteer Morning
Tea 11am

1 December

Primary - Spare Parts Theatre
Incursion-1pm

1 December

Yr 10 Pool Reward 1pm-3pm

12 December

K-Yr 2 MerryDin—6.00pm

13 December

Yr 7-9 Awards 1.15pm
Yr 3-6 MerryDin—6.00pm

14 December

Last day for students

Term 4 Planner:

7	20 Yr 7 Transition Day Yr7-P-Yr2 Swim Lessons(All week)	21 Yr12 ATAR Exams Finish YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	22 <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	23 Kindy Orientation -9am-11.30am	24 WA Education Awards- Winner announced
8	27 Yr10-11 Transition Try-A-Trade Yr9-10 P&C Meeting 3:15pm	28	29 <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	30 Yr8 Indigenous Discovery Day (UWA) School Board Mtg5.30pm at (MRC)	1 DECEMBER Thank a Volunteer Morning Tea Spare Parts Theatre Incursion-1pm Yr10 Pool Reward P.4-5
9	4 Yr10 –Work Experience (All Week) Yr 5/6 Excursion (Police / Courthouse)	5	6 Primary Crazy Hair/Free Dress Day <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i> Primary Disco (K-Yr2 4-5.30pm Yr3-Yr6 6-7.30pm)	7	8 PrePrimary Excursion
10	11 Yr10 –Work Experience (All Week) P-Yr6 Glass of Class Lunch	12 K-2 MerryDin 6–7.30pm	13 Yr 7-9 Awards-1.15-2.15pm <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i> Yr3-6MerryDin 6-7.30pm	14 Last Day Students Yr7/8 Pool Reward P.1-2 Yr9 Pool Reward P.4-5	15 School Development Day



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DISPOSAL OF GOODS BY SALE by PUBLIC TENDER

The following items are available for purchase through employee tender. All goods are offered on an "as is" basis.

If you wish to make an offer on any listed item, please complete the attached form, being sure to include the lot number(s) and your offer. Completed forms should be placed in a sealed envelope and marked "Public Tender" and lodged at the school office before **3pm, Friday 1 December 2017**.

LOT 1	Yamaha Piano Upright Piano. Professionally tuned in November	
LOTS 2-6	Ipad 64G Model A1416 3 rd Generation With Protective Case and Cord	



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OFFER TO PURCHASE GOODS ADVERTISED FOR PUBLIC TENDER

LOT	DESCRIPTION	PRICE \$

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Email Address: _____

Office Use Only:

Received: _____ Principal: _____

Business Manager: _____

Advised: _____ Taken: _____

Disposed From Registers _____



CoMmuNiTy NoticEs

Santa photos

Friday 1st December

Tuesday 5th December

Thursday 7th December

3:30pm - 6:00pm

Contact the Merredin CRC to book -

9041 1041



Alice in Wonderland

Cuckoo Land

A Christmas Fantastime

Show and Dinner \$50
Saturday 25 November
2 December
9 December
Dinner open 6:30pm for 7pm start

Show only \$25
Pension concession \$15
Children (under 15) \$10

Friday evening
1 December
BYO supper
Dinner open 6:30pm for 7pm start

Sunday matinee
26 November
3 December
10 December
Afternoon tea available \$5
Dinner open 3:30pm for 4pm start

Tickets available from
www.cuckooland.com.au
or at Merredin Visitors Centre

Tables of 8

There is a limited supply of 7pm start tickets in partnership with 7pm start tickets. Book early!



Sunsmart Two Dogs Junior Tournament

Merredin District Lawn Tennis Club

Saturday 2 December 2017

- Entries Close: Wednesday 29 November - NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE
- Scan and email entries to: mdtc@hotmail.com.au - Contact Estelle 0400 707 770 for further information
- Sunscreen & hat essential
- Entry Fees to be paid on the day of the tournament / Lunch can be provided by completing details below or bring your own

ENTRY FORM

Entrants Name: _____ Age as at 31st December 2017 _____
Date of Birth: _____
Medical Conditions: _____
Parent's Name: _____ Phone no.: _____ Club: _____

PARENTS UMPIRING ESSENTIAL FOR LOWER AGE GROUPS. Please ensure you are available.

Circle Event No.

SINGLES 8.45am Welcome 9.00am Start Round Robin Entry Fee \$10

1. 10 yrs & Under Boys
2. 10 yrs & Under Girls
3. 12 yrs & Under Boys
4. 12 yrs & Under Girls
5. 15 yrs & Under Boys
6. 15 yrs & Under Girls



Circle Event No.

DOUBLES 12:30pm start Round Robin Entry Fee \$20 (\$10 each player)

Partners Name : _____

(If you haven't a partner for doubles circle the event & we will do our best to find you one)

7. 10 yrs & Under Boys
8. 10 yrs & Under Girls
9. 12 yrs & Under Boys
10. 12 yrs & Under Girls
11. 15 yrs & Under Boys
12. 15 yrs & Under Girls



LUNCH \$4 (to be paid on the day)

circle : **YES or NO**

Subway: 1 x 4inch sub choice of Ham & Salad, Chicken & Salad or Cheese & Salad available on day. Additional 4inch subs can be purchased on the day (\$3). Morning tea provided. Drinks also available.

Any Allergies/Dietary Requirements: _____

I _____ (Parent/Guardian) Do / Do Not (circle) give my permission to publish any photographs, video footage or results, solely for promotional purposes, without compensation.

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)