



ISSUE #10
TERM 1, WEEK 10
5 April 2018

MC link

Merredin College Weekly Community Update



Monday 30 April – Day 1 Term 2

Parents and students are reminded that the first day of school in Term 2 is Monday 30 April.
This is not a School Development Day.

Our Values

We are
CARING

We are
RESPECTFUL

We are
RESPONSIBLE

We strive to
SUCCEED

P & C UNIFORM SHOP
HOURS 2018

EVERY TUESDAY

10:30AM - 3:30PM



CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES ARE NOW DUE

If you require a copy of your child's Contributions and Charges Statement please contact the office.

Families who have a Health Care Card/Pensioner Concession Card, and a student in Year 7-12 are eligible to apply for the Secondary Assistance Scheme (Closes 7 April 2018). This will contribute \$350.00 towards your child's educational costs.

For families who are experiencing financial hardship, payment plans are available. Please contact the office

MERREDIN COLLEGE BOARD ELECTIONS AND EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Merredin College Board is calling for nominations for two parent positions and expressions of interest for two community positions. Members of the Board are appointed for a term not exceeding three years. Newly elected members will begin their term in May. This will coincide with the Annual Meeting to be held at the beginning of Term 2 (17 May 2018).

If you are interested in nominating (parent representative) or expressing an interest (community representative) please request a Board Nomination Form from Bev Irving (School Officer) and return this to Bev.Irving@education.wa.edu.au or to Merredin College, Woolgar Ave Merredin WA 6415 - ph: (08) 90410900.

Nominations close on 3pm Wednesday 11 April 2018.

ANZAC CEREMONIES

Staff and students will be participating in commemorative services on Friday 13 April in the College gymnasium. Due to the number of students, two separate ceremonies will occur.

9.10 am: Year 7-12 students

10.00 am: Pre-primary- Year 6 students

For 2018, it is one hundred years since the end of World War 1. Year 10s, who officiate at the secondary service have been researching the question: 'Why wasn't World War 1, the war to end all wars?'

Parents and community members are welcome to attend either or both ceremonies

P&C CATERING FUNDRAISERS

Two functions which are guaranteed to make money where you could assist the P&C, involve catering:

- **Friday 1 June** – Catering for the Eastern Wheatbelt Education Network (EWEN) conference – approx. 120 -140 people. This can raise about \$3,000. Hayley Billing is the coordinator. Please contact Hayley on 0435 013 780 to assist.
- **Thursday 7 June** – Catering for a Department of Education workshop – numbers to be confirmed (20-40). Could possibly raise \$600-\$1000. The Year 5 parents have taken this on and Renee Pursell is the coordinator. Please contact Renee on 0429 469 095 to help

There are more fundraising opportunities approaching this year which you can be involved in as well.

Come along to our next P&C meeting on Monday, 21 May at 6pm in the Library to support your children.



MERREDIN COLLEGE FACEBOOK PAGE

Follow us at: <https://www.facebook.com/Merredin-College-256760021333175/> or scan the QR code

NAPLAN ONLINE

Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be undertaking NAPLAN Online in Term 2 between the 15 and 25 May.

Practice opportunities will occur for all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students before Week 3, Term 2.

All requests for exemption from testing or withdrawal from testing must be received by the school by Friday 6 April. Exemption and Withdrawal Forms can be collected from primary administration or the main office.

Got a question about this? Mr Jarrad Ritchie or Ms Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principals)

POSITION AVAILABLE

A Laboratory Technician position has become available at Merredin College. Please following the link below to apply for this position. Please note: Do not send any applications directly to Merredin College. All applications are to go thru Jobs Online:

<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Laboratory-Assistant-2018.pdf>

SECONDARY

ABORIGINAL BOYS' BASKETBALL

This Friday 6 April selected Aboriginal secondary boys will be travelling to Northam to take on the Northam SHS - Clontarf Academy boys in several friendly games of basketball.

Students with appropriate behaviour, attendance and work completion will be notified and handed permission notes after the Easter Holiday.

Got a question about this? Contact Chrissy Smith

BE A HERO DAY—YEAR 10 FUNDRAISER

In the weeks leading up to April 13, the Year 10 cohort along with Mr James will be raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation through *The World's Greatest Shave*. They have set a target of \$5,000 with a number of milestones along the way where staff and students have agreed to colour or shave their hair. Help support this amazing effort by donating at <http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/merredincollege>



YEAR 11 AND 12 VET STUDENTS WORKPLACE LEARNING

Year 11 and 12 students completing a VET course can attend workplacement in the last week of Term 2, 25-29 June. **All VET students not attending Country Week are encouraged to find a placement related to their VET course.**

Return deadline for applications is 25 May.

YEAR 10-12 ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL BALL YEARS 10-12

The 2018 School Ball will occur on this Saturday 7 April at Cummins Theatre. Students arrive at 6.00pm.

Parents and family of our Year 12 students are invited to attend the School Ball for the official introduction of the Year 12 students and their partners from 6:30pm to 7:25pm.

A reminder to all parents and students that the school does not

approve of any pre or after ball parties. Tickets to the ball must be sighted upon entry and students must stay inside the complex for the duration of the event.

PRIMARY

ANZAC ASSEMBLY

Primary students will be holding their ANZAC Assembly at 10am this Friday 13 April in the school gymnasium. Parents and families are welcome. Please be seated by 9.55am.

Got a question about this? Mrs Barbara Smith

SCHOOL RUN4FUN COLOUR EXPLOSION - FUNDRAISER

The School Run4Fun Colour Explosion will be held on **Tuesday April 10** starting at **1.15pm**. We do ask that you bring a spare change of clothes to school, most importantly a plain white shirt as the students will be covered in powder from head to toe. The day's focus is on fun and fitness with the added benefit of raising funds for our school.

Information about the colour powder, fundraising and Student Profile Pages were related in previous MC Links.

How to Order Prizes?

To reward your child for their efforts, they will receive incentive prizes based on the total amount of sponsorship dollars raised in cash, online, and if applicable, any **FREE SPONSORSHIP DONATIONS** won using the unique code on page five (5) of the Sponsorship Form. You have two options to place your prize order:

1. Login or create a Student Profile Page at www.myprofilepage.com.au. Once the fundraiser has finished, click the 'ORDER MY PRIZE' button and then confirm your total amount raised and order your prize/s, **OR**
2. Complete the back page of the Sponsorship Form and return to the school.

Please note, all donations need to be finalised on or before **Friday 6 April**. Student prizes will be delivered shortly after.

Thank you in advance for your participation, and get ready for a BLAST OF COLOUR! Happy fundraising!

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

PICK UP AND DROP OFF—PRIMARY

Please be mindful at pick up and drop off times of children exiting the school on foot. Parents are asked to park on the school side of Throssell Avenue to prevent students having to cross the road from between cars to get to parents.

Got a question about this? Ms Lynne Herbert

GLASS OF CLASS LUNCHEON

Students who have had their Letter of Commendation return drawn out of the box during Monday Meetings will receive an invitation to our Glass of Class luncheon next week. The luncheon will be held on Tuesday 10 April and invited students will not need to bring lunch that day. We will have one final draw on Monday during Week 11 so a few students will get their invitations the day before.

Got a question about this? Mrs Barbara Smith



TUESDAY MORNING RUNNING GROUP

Mrs Walker is running a Tuesday morning running group at 8am each week for Year 3-6 students. We have over 40 students signed up so far. If your child would like to participate please collect a note from primary admin.

Got a question about this? Mrs Zane Walker (PE Teacher)

MERREDIN COLLEGE BULB ORDERS

These orders are due back on Tuesday 10 April. Funds raised go towards the Choir Camp.



Save the Date:

6 April

Aboriginal Boys Basketball
- Northam

7 April

School Ball
- Cummins Theatre

10 April

Run4Fun Colour Run

10 April

P-Yr6 Glass of Class
Luncheon

13 April

ANZAC Ceremonies

30 April

First Day back. Term 2 Staff and
students

Term 1 2018 Planner:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT
10	2 Easter Monday	3 Easter Tuesday (no school)	4 <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	5	6 *Yr 12 Councillors set up for Ball *Aboriginal Boys Basketball-Northam	7 School Ball
11	9	10 *P-Yr6 Glass of Class Lunch	11 *Commonwealth Games Fun Run (Primary) <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	12	13 Last Day Term 1 *Primary ANZAC Assem- bly-P.2 *Yr7-12 ANZAC Ceremo- ny & Assembly P.1	14

CoMmuNiTy NoticEs

Monday, 9 April - Friday, 13 April

YOUTH WEEK

Time 4 - 5:30pm daily
Where Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre

Activities Include Massive Cook Off
 Basketball Clinic
 Fix It Challenge
 Art & Music Workshops

Friday, 6 - 10:00pm
Alcohol & drug free Music Event
 Attend all the activities & enter FREE or \$10 entry on the night. Food & cool drinks for sale

Contact Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre for more information or to register - 9041 3033




LET'S GET ACTIVE

MERREDIN

FREE COMMUNITY DAY

WHAT High Intensity, Low Impact Interval Training
WHERE Merredin Regional Community & Leisure Centre (MRCLC) Bates Street, Merredin
WHEN Saturday, 7 April 2018, 11:00am & 4:00pm
HOW Register at the MRCLC - phone 9041 3033



DO YOU DO ZUU?



JUNIOR FOOTBALL 2018

Registrations now open!

UNDER 16's
 School Years 9, 10 & 11
 \$100 per child

UNDER 13's
 School Years 7 & 8
 \$100 per child

JUNIORS
 School Years 4, 5, & 6
 \$75 per child

MIDGETS
 School Years 2 & 3
 \$75 per child

AUSKICK
 School Years PP & 1
 \$75 per child

NOTE: AUSKICK Fee INCLUDES AUSKICK PACK

Questions or questions? Need help registering?
 Please contact Dana
merredinjuniorfootball@education.wa.edu.au

MERREDIN AND DISTRICTS JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
 Register online now
<https://membership.sportsg.com/register.cgi?siteID=2070&Key=c6d4741bda921b2b35db54282fa6b3d&siteID=73003>
Midgets and Juniors go to membership.sportsg.com/register.cgi?siteID=2070&Key=c6d4741bda921b2b35db54282fa6b3d&siteID=73003
Colts please contact Tash Caplan for registration

Season starts with grading and registration night on April 6th, with games commencing May 1st.

KIDSPORT Early entry for Kidsporn at 4:45pm as we contact us for an application form



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FRIDAY APRIL 6TH
REGISTRATION AND GRADING

What: This is our welcome night and season starter for 2018. If you haven't registered yet, you will be able to do so on the night. **Auskick** players will have an intro training session with our 2018 coaches. **Midgets and Juniors** will play several short games to help us get teams organised for the season and **Colts** will have their first training session for the season. Stay after the games/training and enjoy a meal at the Rec Centre - all profits going to our Club for the evening - the more meals served the bigger our profit! What an easy fundraiser - why not invite your friends to come down for a meal too.

Where: MRCLC Oval

When: Friday April 6th meeting at 4.45pm for a 5pm start

Who: All ages of Junior Football: Pre-Primary to U16's

Come and join us for our Registration and Grading Night
 Enjoy your first kick for 2018
 Stay for dinner and support our Club
 Auskick
 Midgets, Juniors
 Colts
 Registration forms available on the night

MERREDIN AND DISTRICTS JUNIOR FOOTBALL ASSOC
 PO Box 273, Merredin
 Contact us...
merredinjuniorfootball@education.wa.edu.au

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Burracoppin Hockey Club

WANTED - JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYERS!

**Boys and Girls
Juniors - Year 3 to 8**
Option to play in senior grades also

Games held Saturday morning from 11:30am onwards from the 14th of April
Playing mostly in Merredin, as well as Naremben and Bruce Rock

Contact BHC via burracoppinhockey@hotmail.com
OR Sophie Hooper on 0437 401 649 for registration or more info

First Game NEXT Saturday 14th April 9am

ALL WELCOME to have a try for our first game, with Football and Netball yet to start it's a good opportunity for new players to have a go. The new Saturday comp is part of Eastern Districts Hockey Asst, which will follow EDFL as much as possible. Game times are set for 11.30am however it may be flexible to fit around all sports. 9am for the first week being a Gala day with all 4 towns playing in Merredin.

Training next week - 5pm Tuesday 10th April

To register your interest or for more info on the Saturday comp pls contact
Nat Partington 0427 089 014
jnparto@bigpond.com

The Annual General Meeting of the Junior Winter Carnival

will be held on

**Tuesday 10th April 2018, commencing at
5.30pm.**

**The meeting will take place at the
MRC&LC in the Grandstand Bar.**

Sports and ages included
Netball - school years 4 to 7
Hockey - school years 3 to 8
Football - school years 3 to 7

For the carnival to be successful and run well we need your support so please come along to the meeting. The Quorum for the meeting is 8, so we encourage parents and carers to attend.

The proposed date for this year's Junior Winter Carnival is Sunday 12th August 2018.

**Please email
juniowintercarnival@gmail.com for
any further enquires or apologies.**



Merredin Netball Association

Interested in learning how to umpire?






Why not consider joining the green shirt umpiring squad. You will have hands on opportunities to umpire with the support of mentors, as well as learning the theory side of netball.

Please contact Jess Nelson via email merredinnetball@hotmail.com or Facebook message me through the MNA page to find out more information or express your interest.

Merredin Netball Association

Luke's Boots for the Outback and Sports Gear for all kids in need. est. 2014

Luke's Initiative and Mission:

- striving to ensure all kids have the same opportunity
- to enjoy their sport by sharing
- forward equipment needed and hopefully assist by also reducing the impact inequality can have on kids living within underserved communities across urban metro and remote WA.

2018 Season Collection Drive - Collecting now

Boots, (all sizes) Footballs, "all sports-balls" including Rugby Balls, Soccer Balls
any sport equipment you no longer use (cricket, tennis) .
 (please note all kids deserve "good" gear so please donate near new, new or pre-loved in good condition (and a bit dirty is ok))

Have spares?, Grown out of last seasons boots? get your gear to Luke's Boots for the Outback and I'll share them forward via FairGame
 Information on where collection points are located is available here:
<http://www.fairgame.org.au/get-involved/donate-equipment/>
 OR
DROP OFF AT THE FRONT OFFICE OR PRIMARY OFFICE

We'd love your donations by April 8, in time for the next busy bee to package up donations for distribution to communities where they're needed. But anytime your ready or wish to share is also a great time ..

SPORTSMANSHIP is a Quality we should all aspire to ON and OFF the FIELD ..  Luke



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