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Merredin College Weekly Community Update



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Message from the Principal.....

We have had a significant number of student and staff absences, due to illness, over the past few weeks and together with the NAPLAN tests and upper school examinations we hope that regular class timetable and activities will return to normal for everyone after the long weekend. Thank you to all parents and carers who advised us of their children's absences.

STUDENT SAFETY GOING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

It is important to regularly discuss with your child/ren the need to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to you, the school and the police.

Here are some suggestions to help your children stay safe:

- always travel in a group
- walk on the right hand side of the road to face oncoming traffic
- wherever possible, leave space between you and the roadway
- stay in areas that are well lit
- stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres)
- be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably
- if you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number
- if a passing car stops nearby, never get too close
- run from a situation if you feel at risk
- give this advice to your brothers and sisters, especially if they are younger
- if you can get it safely, try to photograph or remember the number plate of the car
- report numbers plates of cars and the clothing or distinguishing features of individuals to police.

Students can call **13 14 44** to report an incident to WA Police (only use 000 in an emergency) or **1800 333 000** to reach Crime Stoppers.

To get the latest community safety information from police, visit WA Police on Facebook www.facebook.com/WA.Police or online at www.police.wa.gov.au.

P&C NEWS

- **Helpers Required:** On Friday, 31 May we are again catering for the EWEN (Eastern Wheatbelt Education Network) day for our staff. If you can help in any way please contact Hayley Billing on 0435 013 780.
- **Fundraising Requests:** To reduce the amount of work between meetings for our secretary and the executive committee it is preferable that fundraising requests are submitted as agenda items and presented in person at our P&C meetings. P&C meetings are held week 4 and 8 of each term. This way further questions can be answered and considered before approval/decline. Items need to be submitted at least one week before P&C meetings. Thank you for your consideration and planning.

Our PBS Values Focus

Each week the College will focus on aspects of our PBS expectations. The information will be provided to students on classroom doors. Parents are encouraged to support the College in promoting these values at home.

The PBS focuses for Week 6, Term 2 (next week) are:

PRIMARY

We are SUCCESSFUL in Learning Areas

WE STRIVE TO SUCCEED BY COMPLETING OUR CLASS WORK AND HOMEWORK ON TIME

SECONDARY

We are SUCCESSFUL in Learning Areas

WE STRIVE TO SUCCEED BY MEETING DEADLINES AND COMPLETING CLASS WORK AND HOMEWORK

We are carin**G**, we are Res**pe**ctful, we are Res**po**nsible, **We** strive to succeed!

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- The Merredin College P & C would like to invite any parents interested to join the P&C Fundraising Sub-Committee. This committee will formulate guidelines and an annual fundraising plan to better organise the school's fundraising efforts so we can work together effectively to raise more money for our school! If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of please contact Jamie-Lee Walker. Ph: 0409 089 650 E-mail: duane_jamielee@bigpond.com

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The Inter House Cross Country will be held next Friday 7 June. All Cross Country races this year will be held at the College starting and finishing on the College oval. This we hope will build a more supportive and spectator friendly event for all. Participation in this event will be at no cost to parents/guardians or students.

Students are to run in their House polo shirt, they need appropriate running shoes, a water bottle, a hat and sunscreen. Students with Asthma should bring their Ventolin to their race.

AGE GROUP	RACE TIME	RACE DISTANCE
Pre Primary students	9:00am	1km
6Yrs & Under Girls	9:15am	1km
Year 10 – 12 Girls	9:20am	3km
Year 10 – 12 Boys	9:20am	3km
6Yrs & Under Boys	9:30am	1km
8Yrs & Under Girls	9:45am	1km
8Yrs & Under Boys	10:00am	1km
10Yrs & Under Girls	10:15am	1.5km
10Yrs & Under Boys	10:35am	1.5km
12Yrs & Under Girls	11:30am	2km
12Yrs & Under Boys	11:50am	2km
Year 7 Boys / Girls	11:30am	2.5km
Year 8 Boys / Girls	12:00pm	2.5km
Year 9 Boys / Girls	12:30pm	2.5km

PLEASE NOTE: The start times to all events are approximations and may change on the day, it is always best to be arrive earlier than the estimated start times, to avoid disappointment.

Secondary students ONLY will be running outside the parameter of the school and will need a completed permission form to compete as they are leaving school grounds.

SECONDARY *Link*

ATAR STUDENTS—EXAM SCHEDULE

All ATAR students should return on Tuesday 4 June 2019.

DAY & DATE	SUBJECT NAME	SUBJECT CODE	START TIME	FINISH TIME	ROOM(S)
Tuesday 04/06/19 EXAM SESSION 1	Chemistry ATAR Unit 1 SIDE	A1CHE	8:50am	12:00pm	Library
	Chemistry ATAR 12	ATCHE			

THE AUSTRALIAN HISTORY COMPETITION

The Australian History Competition is a national competition that will be running next week, Wednesday 5 June and is open to all year 10 students. Students will sit a multiple choice test that assesses their content knowledge of History based on the Curriculum. There is a first prize of \$250 for the lucky winner and the cost for entry is \$6. Merredin College encourages all year 10 students to participate.

YEAR 11 AND 12 CHANGE OF COURSE/S DEADLINES 2019

[as recommended by Merredin College]

FRIDAY 14 JUNE 2019:

Last date for student transfers between *single Year 11 units*[A2 & G2] for Semester 2

Last date for student transfers from *paired Year 11 units*[AE & GE] to *single units*[A2 or G2] for Semester 2





WINTER UNIFORM

We are having lots of children come to the office needing a jumper. Being in the middle of flu season it is important that children are rugged up when they come to school. With the weather cooling down, winter uniform and closed in shoes are the preferred options for students. Please find attached to the link a uniform order form.

Got a question about this? Ms Barbara Smith (Deputy Principal)

LUNCHES AND SNACKS

Please have a chat with your child about their lunches and snacks for their day at school as we are having a number of students coming to the office requesting extra food during second break.

Got a question about this? Ms Barbara Smith (Deputy Principal)

SCOOTERS AND A BIKE

The primary office has ended up with 4 scooters and a toddler's bike in lost property. If your family are missing any of these please come in to check if we have yours.

Got a question about this? Ms Barbara Smith (Deputy Principal)

Playgroup
Amity Health - Kids Health Link Program
Children 0-5 years

Thursdays and Fridays
10.00am to 12.00pm
Merredin College - Block 1 Room 4

Kids learn through play!

Everyone is welcome for a morning
Filled with activities, healthy fruit
Story time and outdoor play!

Contact: Sonya
PH: 90 410 962

\$10 per ticket or \$60 per table

Book your table at
triplem.com.au/centralwheatbelt

BYO nibbles (no BYO alcohol)
licensed bar available

Plus prizes and auction items!

SAT. JUNE 15
QUIZ NIGHT
Merredin Regional Community
And Leisure Centre – Bates St

Imagine the difference you can make. All proceeds to the Triple M Regional Assistance Fund.

TRIPLE M
1098AM
CENTRAL WHEATBELT

VENUE:
Merredin Regional Community and Leisure Centre.

TIME: 7 pm
Enquiries to:
9622 2777



Useful Links:

Uniform Shop:
<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/uniform/>

Canteen Menu:
<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/canteen/>

Latest News & Events:
www.merredincollege.wa.edu.au

Save the Date: **31 May** School Development Day
 No school for Students

3 June WA Day
 Public Holiday -No school

TERM 2 PLANNER:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	27 *ATAR Exam Week	28	29 *Yr 9 'Scitech-Beyond the Beaker' Presentation *Yr4/5 Assembly <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	30 *'Whoosh Excursion'- Primary SEN students	31 School Development Day
6	3 WA DAY	4 *ATAR Students return to school	5 *Yr10 History Comp. <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	6	7 *School Cross Country
7	10 *Yr 10 Exams Week	11 *Yr 10 Exams Week *Drama Workshop	12 *Yr 10 Exams Week <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	13 *Yr 10 Exams Week	14 *Bruce Rock XCountry
8	17 *Geography Comp. TBD P&C Meeting 6pm	18	19 *Yr10 'Get into Resources' Excursion <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	20 *Primary Assembly School Board 5.30pm	21 *Yr10 "Get into Resources Expo" Excursion *Yr8/9 Kalgoorlie Football
9	24	25 *Yr 9-10 Kalgoorlie Volleyball Comp YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	26 <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	27	28 *Country Week Assembly
10	1 JULY COUNTRY WEEK *Yr 11/12 ADWPL Week	2 COUNTRY WEEK *Glass of Class Luncheon	3 COUNTRY WEEK *Prim. Winter Carnival <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	4 COUNTRY WEEK	5 COUNTRY WEEK Last Day Term 2

Cummins Theatre presents
 Sensorium Theatre's

WHOOSH!

A sensory space adventure
 For young explorers with disabilities
 and their friends

Prepare your child for WHOOSH!
 Download Sensorium Theatre **FREE Digital App**

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

VENUE | CUMMINS THEATRE - MERREDIN
 DATES & TIMES | 30 May @ 4:30pm, 31 May @ 10am & 1pm, 1 June @ 10am
 INFO & BOOKING | \$10 - book at www.trybooking.com/BCLCP
 AGE | Recommended for learning age 5-10yrs

PERFORMING LINES WA | Australia Council for the Arts | Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries | Lotterywest | Cummins Theatre

CUMMINS THEATRE proudly supported by **lotterywest**

A Monkey Baa Theatre Company production

Possum Magic

Based on the book by
Mem Fox and Julie Vivas
 Adapted for the stage by
 Eva Di Cesare and Sandra Eldrige

A brand-new stage adaptation of a magical Australian classic

CUMMINS THEATRE - MERREDIN
 10 June 2019 @ 1:00pm and 11 June 2019 @ 11:00am

perfect for ages 3-8 | Duration 50 minutes

monkey baa theatre company | ARTS TOUR NSW | Australia Council for the Arts | ShowTex

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