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Message from the Principal......

AWESOME

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It was wonderful to see about 50 dads join us for the Father's Day breakfast and classroom activities in the Early Childhood teaching block. The children were certainly very happy to see their dads.

SPORT CARNIVALS

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our Primary Athletics carnival tomorrow and at our Secondary Athletics Carnival next Tuesday.

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 2020? WILL YOUR CHILDREN BE AT MERREDIN COLLEGE IN 2020?

If your children will not be at Merredin College next year or if you know of families whose children will be enrolling at our school please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you to those families who have provided this information as it will allow us to commence our planning on class structures and staff placements for 2020. We understand circumstances may change and should this be the case or if you need support with our enrolment procedures please contact our office.

SCHOOL FEES AND CHARGES

It is important that everyone pays school fees and charges to support us in providing a quality education for your children. There are many thousands of dollars outstanding. We can arrange a payment plan where necessary.

PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATION AND HEALTH STANDING COMMITTEE

Next Thursday 12 September we will be hosting five members of the Western Australian Parliament from the Education and Health Standing Committee. They are visiting the school to talk to staff and secondary students about the use of digital technology in education delivery.

MERREDIN COLLEGE SECONDARY OPEN DAY—SAVE THE DATE

Our Open Day will occur on Friday 13 September (12.30-3.00pm). This an opportunity to see the secondary part of the College in operation and to view Drama and Dance performances as well as student work in Design and Technology. Please see attached Agenda.

G	<i>Our PBS Values Focus</i> 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 8 Term 3 (<i>next week</i>) are:				
R 0 N	PRIMARY We STRIVE TO SUCCEED in Learning Areas	WE STRIVE TO SUCCEED IN LEARNING AREAS BY BEING PERSISTENT AND NEVER GIVING UP			
	SECONDARY We STRIVE TO SUCCEED in Learning Areas	WE STRIVE TO SUCCEED IN LEARNING AREAS BY LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS			



BIBBULMUN TREK PRESENTATION NIGHT

Parents/caregivers of students that attended the Bibbulmun track are invited to a presentation evening on Monday 9 September commencing at 7.00pm in the school Library. Students will be awarded a certificate for their participation in the event. Students will also be contributing in a group discussion.

SECONDARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Next Tuesday 10 September is the Secondary House Athletics Carnival. Students are encouraged to come dressed in their House colours. This is a compulsory school day and students are expected to attend. Parents are reminded that they can keep track of the day by going to <u>www.sportstrackerapp.com</u>. This will show the results of your child's events and overall House points throughout the day. Students have been emailed their user name and password to their education email addresses to be able to log on to this web page, so please ask your child for the details. If you are able to help during the morning session of the carnival or have questions about logon details please email Mr David Pirovich at <u>David.Pirovich2@education.wa.edu.au</u>

DRAMA PERFORMANCE

Drama students will 'star' in a performance of 'Romeo & Juliet' on Thursday 12 September at 6.30pm and Friday 13 September at 9.30am and 6.30pm. Bookings can be made using the following link: The link for tickets is :<u>https://www.trybooking.com/BFBQF</u> or people can go to Trybooking.com.au and search "Merredin College".

Please refer to the poster and direct any queries to Mr Tom James (Drama Teacher)

CANBERRA PRESENTATION NIGHT

This will be held on Tuesday 17 September commencing at 7.00pm in the library. We look forward to seeing all the parents of our Year 9 Canberra Tour students there to listen to presentations of each day's events as well as the presentation of certificates to participants.

2019 ATAR SEMESTER 2 EXAM TIMETABLE YEARS 11 AND 12

Please find attached the 2019 ATAR Semester 2 Exam Timetable which commences on Friday 20 September.

END OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS FOR YEAR 11 AND 12

<u>YEAR 12</u> :	
TERM 3:	
Week 10:	Friday 27 September
	This is the last timetabled day of school for Year 12 VET/General Pathway students
TERM 4:	
Week 1:	Tuesday 15 October to Thursday 17 October -
	All Year 12 ATAR students return for normal classes.
	Thursday 17 October –
	3.00pm - Year 12 ATAR timetable suspended.
	Friday 18 October -
	10.00am— Assembly [Year 7-12]
	11.00am – Special Year 12 Morning Tea in staffroom. Fun awards presented to teachers and students
	12.00 noon – Students to make their way to the Merredin College Gym
	12.15 - 1.15pm (approx) – Practice for Awards Ceremony. Students will be dismissed from the gym when practice finishes.
Week 2:	Monday 21 October & Tuesday 22 October -
	Revision Seminars will be offered to ATAR students, times to be advised.
	Thursday 24 October –
	Awards Night 7.00pm – 9.30pm (approx)
<u>YEAR 11</u> : TERM 4:	
Weeks 1 & 2:	Tuesday 15 – Friday 25 October -
	Normal timetable for all Year 11 students





EASYMARK

Over the next week our Year 2 students will be involved in EasyMark Testing. Got a question about this? Ms Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principal)

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We invite all parents and caregivers to the school oval for the final day of the Athletics carnival to support the students who are taking part. We will be starting at 9.00am on Friday morning.

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

WEEK 8 ASSEMBLY

Our next assembly will be hosted by the K/PP and PP/1 classes and will be held next Thursday, 12 September at 9.00am in the primary covered assembly area. We look forward to seeing you there to celebrate our students achievements. *Got a question about this? Ms Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principal)*

YEAR 6 CAMP FEES

A reminder to parents that camp fees are due at the end of next week, 6 September, for those families who have chosen a payment plan. Final camp payments are due on the 20 September. **Got a question about this?** Mrs Barbara Smith (Deputy Principal)

SCHOOL START TIMES

Students should not be on the school site before 8.20am – this is 30 minutes before the official first bell. There is no supervision for students before this time as staff are getting ready for a full day of teaching. Students that arrive at 8.20am should head straight to breakfast club. Classes open for students at 8.30am which is the official time that supervision starts on site. Please ensure your children are not arriving on site before the official supervision times.

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

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

We are getting a bit short of our second hand uniform supplies and are looking for donations from families. If you have items children have outgrown we would welcome them in the primary office.

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

LUNCHES

The primary office provides lunches for children in emergency situations but recently we have had a number of students habitually coming to the office for food and fruit. Parents will be contacted if **MASTER LEGO**

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students do not have their lunch with them on a regular basis.

1 or 2 days a week may not seem like a lot but ... question

If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's	Which means the best your child might perform is
L day per			Your Child Other Children	
fortnight			Nearly 1.5 years!	Equivalent to finishing in Year 10
L day per	40 Days per year	8 Weeks per year	Over 2.5 years!	Your Child Other Children
week				Equivalent to finishing in Year 9
days per	er 80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years!	Your Child Other Children
week				Equivalent to finishing in Year 7
	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years!	Your Child
days per				Other Children
week				Equivalent to finishing in Year 6

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EVERY-SCHOOL-DAY-MATTERS



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Useful Links: Uniform Shop: dincollege.wa.edu.au/

Canteen Menu: nttp://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/ canteen/ Latest News & Events:

Save the Date: 6 SEPTEMBER

Primary Athletics Carnival

9 SEPTEMBER P&C Meeting 3.15pm **Bibbulmun Trek** Presentation Night 7pm

10 SEPTEMBER Secondary Athletics Carnival

12 SEPTEMBER Primary Assembly

12 SEPTEMBER Drama Performance 6.30pm

TERM 3 PLANNER:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SU
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7	2 *OLNA-Writing	3 YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	4 *Primary Jumps & Throws <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	5 *Yr7-12 Assembly	6 *Primary Athletics Carnival	7	8
8	9 *OLNA-Reading P&C MEETING 3:15pm *Bibbulmun Trek Presentation Night-7pm	10 * *Secondary Athletics Carnival	11 Early Close 2.30pm	12 *Primary Assembly *AIME Mentor Prog-Yr7- 12 *Drama Performance- Evening -6.30pm	13 OPEN DAY *Drama Performance 9.30am Drama Performance- Evening-6.30pm	14	15
9	16 *OLNA- Numeracy	17 *English Competition *Canberra Presentation Night-7pm	18 Merredin Bus Accident Anniversary *Primary Interschool Athletics Carnival *Yr11/12Foundations/ General English Exam Early Close 2.30pm	19 *Yr7-10 Volleyball Schools Cup School Board Mtg 5.30pm	20 *Yr7-10 Volleyball Schools Cup *Interschool Athletics Carnival (Secondary)	21 *Yr7- 10 Volley ball	22



Responsible adult to pick up & drop off at the entry









Delivered to Merredin College later in the year.