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Message from the Principal.....

TERM 4

Parents are reminded that the first day of Term 4 (Monday 14 October) is a School Development Day. Students will commence on Tuesday 15 October 2019. We wish all students/parents and carers a safe school holidays.

ASBESTOS REMOVAL AT MERREDIN COLLEGE

Please see the attached letter from the Department of Education regarding the removal of asbestos at Merredin College during this coming school holidays.

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 2020? WILL YOUR CHILD BE ATTENDING MERREDIN COLLEGE IN 2020?

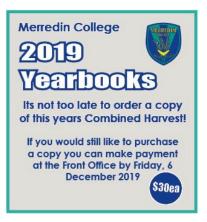
If your children will not be at Merredin College next year or if you know of families whose children will be enrolling at our school please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you to those families who have provided this information as it will allow us to commence our planning on class structures 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.

DENTAL CLINIC

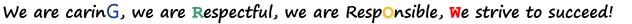
The dental team will be coming to Merredin College in Term 4. The dental staff will be contacting parents of all enrolled students for appointments. If you feel your child requires urgent care before their appointment please contact them on 0459241543. All school children from Pre Primary to Year 11 are eligible to be enrolled. For further details please contact the clinic.





Monday Tuesday Thursday 14 October 2019 15 October

TERM 4 DATES School Development Day (no students) **Students Commence** 19 December 2019 Last day for 2019



SECONDARY Linko

YEAR 11 2020 SUBJECT SELECTION FORMS

These forms are now well overdue and need to be completed and returned to Student Services. If you child has misplaced this form they can obtain another one from Student Services.

YEAR 11 STUDENTS PROVIDE FIRST AID

In the first two weeks of Term 4 all Year 11 students will be participating in a two day First Aid course taught by Mr O'Neill through the registered training organisation IVET (RTO code; 32413).

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







'SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE'

The Primary students, PP-6, will attend this special assembly performance on Friday 27 September. Students from the acro group run by Mrs Pirovich will be performing as well as Mrs Pirovich's secondary dance students. Parents are welcome to attend. *Got a question about this? Ms Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principal)*

PICASSO AND HIS DOG

Parents of students in the Year 3/4 and Year 4/5 classes are reminded that this excursion is on the first day back at school next term. Please return the permission slips and the \$10 payment for this excursion as they are now due. *Got a question about this? Mrs Barbara Smith (Deputy Principal)*

EVERY SCHOOL DAY MATTERS

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

lf your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's	Which means the best your child might perform is
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 Weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years!	Your Child
				Other Children
				Equivalent to finishing in Year 10
1 day per week	40 Days per year	8 Weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	Your Child
				Other Children
				Equivalent to finishing in Year 9
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years!	Your Child
				Other Children
				Equivalent to finishing in Year 7
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years!	Your Child
				Other Children
				Equivalent to finishing in Year 6

KINDILINK

Parents of children commencing Kindy in 2020 are welcome to join the Monday KindiLink Session which runs from 9.00am to 12.00 noon. Morning tea is provided and the session is all about supporting children for school life and future success. These sessions are free and the next session will be held on Monday 21 October – book it into your calendar!

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



School holiday program

October 2019

Tues 1st October – Dream Catchers Make colourful dream catchers to ensure peaceful dreams Thurs 3rd October – Slime Make your own slime, then have slimy fun Tues 8th October – Masks Make masks for disguise and fun Thurs 10th October– All things Italian Make mock pizzas and a chef's hat ready for Festa Italiana

All sessions at Merredin Library from 10:30am to 11:30am. \$2 per participant.

See you there, come dressed for fun. Call 9041 1222 to book your place.



MERREDIN COLLEGE Phone: 08 9041 0900 Fax: 08 9041 2008



Useful Links:

Uniform Shop: ncollege.wa.edu.au/

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

Save the Date: 27 September Last day ATAR

Exams

27 September 'So You Think You Can Dance' Competition Secondary—Period 1 Primary—Period 2

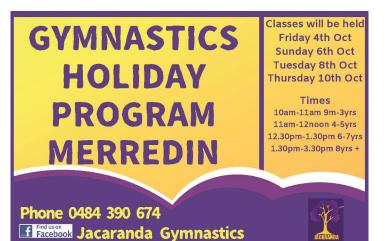
Tuesday 15 October Student Commences Term 4

TERM 3 PLANNER:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SUN
* * 10	23 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams *Yr 11/12 General nor- mal timetable *OLNA-Reading/ Nu- meracy Catch up	24 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams *Glass of Class Lunch *OLNA-Reading/ Nu- meracy Catch up YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	25 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	26 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams	27 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams *P1 'So You Think You Can Dance' Comp-Sec *P2 Primary Perfor- mance *Colour Run Yr 11/12 *Last Day for Year 12 VET/General students Last Day Term 3	28	29

TERM 4 PLANNER:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SUN
1	14 OCTOBER School Develop- ment Day	15 Students Com- mence	16 Early Close 2. 3.30-	17 *Yr 12 ATAR Finish	18 *Secondary Farewell Yr 12 Assembly P.2 *T20 Cricket Blast Cup *Yr 12 Morning Tea	19	20
2	21 *ATAR Revision Semi- nar	22 *ATAR Revision Semi- nar *Yr10 NAP-CC Testing- 11.30am YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	23 Early Close 2.30pm	24 *Yr 12 Awards Night - 7pm	25	26	27 *Yr7- 12 School s Beach V/Ball Cup 2
3	28 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk	29 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk	30 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk <i>arly Close 2.30pm</i>	31 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *AIME Mentor Prog-Yr7 -12	1 NOVEMBER *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *Kindy Readiness 1-3pm	2	3
4	4 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk P&C Meeting 6.00pm	5 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk	6 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk <i>Early Close 2.30pm</i>	7 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *Primary Assembly School Board Mtg 5.30pm	8 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *Yr 7-11 Assembly	9	10



CoMmuNiTy NoticEs

Spring is here and so are

the SNAKES!

Would you know what to do if you or someone else was bitten?

St John Merredin Sub Centre is holding a FREE First Aid Session on <u>Snakebite Management</u> and invites you to come along.

Date: Saturday 28 September 2019

Time: 10.00-11.00am

Venue: St John Ambulance Sub Centre Merredin, Corner Mitchell and Queen St

We will be selling <u>Pressure Immobilising Bandages</u> (recommended bandages) at \$5.00ea.

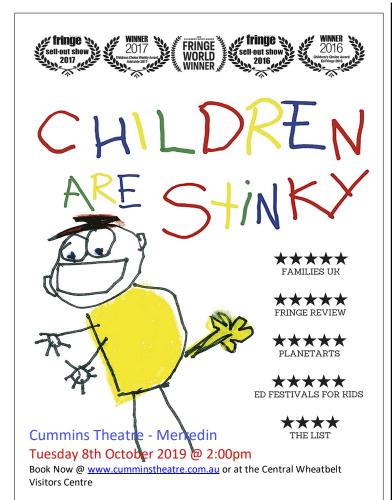
For further information please contact:

Gemma at merredin@stjohnambulance.com.au

or 0438 814 339

We look forward to seeing you then and don't forget to tell your friends!







LEMONY S PUPPET THEATRE PRESENTS







Dear Resident

Removal of waste material from Merredin College

During the October school holidays, a stockpile of sand/materials will be removed from the north eastern area of Merredin College (see map below) due to the discovery of small amounts of low risk asbestos containing materials.

The material while undisturbed, does not present a risk to human health. However, as a precaution, the area will remain fenced off until the removal is complete and the local community are asked to keep clear of the area.

It is not uncommon to find asbestos in older building material as it was used in the majority of buildings constructed before the mid-1980s. According to National Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency, approximately one third of Australian homes contain asbestos products.

Appropriate procedures will be followed throughout the removal process to ensure the safe handling, removal, transport and disposal of the materials. All works will be carried out by experienced and specialised contractors.

Preliminary removal of non-contaminated materials such as fences may begin on Saturday 28th September. The removal of stockpiled sand and rubble will involve large, covered trucks transporting the materials from the school grounds via Throssell Road, with this work taking place from Tuesday 1st October through to Friday 4th October.

If you have any queries regarding this matter please feel free to contact Andrew Hastie, Manager Environmental Services, at the Department of Education on 9264 5186 during normal office hours.

