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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.

Merredin College 

2019 Yearbooks

Its not too late to order a copy of this years Combined Harvest!

If you would still like to purchase a copy you can make payment at the Front Office by Friday, 6 December 2019

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TERM 4 DATES

Monday	14 October 2019	School Development Day (no students)
Tuesday	15 October	Students Commence
Thursday	19 December 2019	Last day for 2019

We are carin**G**, we are **R**espectful, we are **R**esp**O**n**S**ible, **W**e strive to succeed!

YEAR 11 2020 SUBJECT SELECTION FORMS

These forms are now well overdue and need to be completed and returned to Student Services. If your 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

YEAR 12:

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)

YEAR 11:

TERM 4:

Weeks 1 & 2: *Tuesday 15 – Friday 25 October -*

Normal timetable for all Year 11 students



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PRESENTS

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www.merredincollege.wa.edu.au

Delivered to Merredin College later in the year.



‘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...

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...						
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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)

9.00	Greetings Play centres and Craft
10.30	Conversational Reading
10.45	Outside Play Time
11.15	Fruit (Shared Reading)
11.25	Learning Games
11.45	Books and Puzzles
11.55	Songs
12.00	Home

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.



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: **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 normal timetable *OLNA-Reading/ Numeracy Catch up	24 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams *Glass of Class Lunch *OLNA-Reading/ Numeracy Catch up YouthCare Mtg 5.30pm	25 YEAR 6 CAMP *Yr 11/12 ATAR Exams Early Close 2.30pm	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 Performance *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 Development Day	15 Students Commence	16 Early Close 2.30pm	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 Seminar	22 *ATAR Revision Seminar *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 Schools Beach V/Ball Cup 2
3	28 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk	29 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk	30 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk Early Close 2.30pm	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 Early Close 2.30pm	7 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *Primary Assembly School Board Mtg 5.30pm	8 *Yr11 VET ADWPL Wk *Yr 7-11 Assembly	9	10

GYMNASTICS HOLIDAY PROGRAM MERREDIN

Classes will be held
 Friday 4th Oct
 Sunday 6th Oct
 Tuesday 8th Oct
 Thursday 10th Oct

Times
 10am-11am 9m-3yrs
 11am-12noon 4-5yrs
 12.30pm-1.30pm 6-7yrs
 1.30pm-3.30pm 8yrs +

Phone 0484 390 674

Find us on Facebook **Jacaranda Gymnastics**



*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 Snakebite Management** 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 Pressure Immobilising Bandages (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!

MERREDIN REGIONAL COMMUNITY & LEISURE CENTRE

LET'S PLAY BALL!

JUNIOR 3V3 COMPETITION

FRIDAY OCTOBER 4TH

\$5 PER CHILD

UNDER 12's 4PM - 6PM

UNDER 16's 6PM - 8PM

TEAMS TO BE ORGANISED ON THE NIGHT
PRE-REGISTER OR COME IN 15MIN EARLY

For further information
Contact MRCLC on 9041 3033
or email merredin@belgravialeisure.com.au

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Cummins Theatre - Merredin
Tuesday 8th October 2019 @ 2:00pm
Book Now @ www.cumminstheatre.com.au or at the Central Wheatbelt Visitors Centre

LEMONY & PUPPET THEATRE PRESENTS

PICASSO AND HIS DOG

BY SARAH KRIEGLER

Ages 4+

'Brilliant cast... perfect puppeteering' - BORDER MAIL

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2019, 10.30AM & 1.30PM

CUMMINS THEATRE

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PLAY CRICKET!

HAVE A BLAST PLAYING CRICKET! THERE ARE OPTIONS FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES
— WHETHER IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME WITH A BAT OR YOU'RE A COMPETITIVE CRICKET STAR!



JUNIOR BLASTERS PP - YEAR 2

Learn new skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game based activities.

Sign up now for your Starter Pack. Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Pack with backpack and choice of bonus item!



STARTER KIT

RETURNER KIT



Junior Blasters held Wednesday's 4.30 - 5.30pm at the MRC&LC oval
Commencing 16th October 2019
\$80 incl pack, payable with online registration. Go to playcricket.com.au



JUNIOR CRICKET Year 3 - 7

Merredin Juniors play against surrounding Wheatbelt towns

Ages: Juniors is for Boys and Girls aged from Year 3 to Year 7 at the commencement of the season

When: Trainings on Wednesday 4.30pm - 5.30pm, game on Saturday mornings. Competition runs through until end of February 2020, with a break over school holidays

Date: Junior cricket training to commence on Wednesday 16th October 2019, at the MRC&LC oval
Cost: \$80, payable thru online registration

If you have a question, please contact Darren Gardiner on 0402473136

REGISTER AT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2019



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Holidays are coming

Three Day Fast Track School Holiday Intensive Swimming Program

- Tues 1st, Wed 2nd and Thu 3rd October 2019
- Classes available from 6mth (with parent) to stage 2 independent swimming
- \$45 for the 3 days
- Small classes so enrol early to avoid disappointment

Contact MRCLC phone: 9041 3033
or email: merredin@belgravialeisure.com.au for further information



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MERREDIN REGIONAL
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Drug Aware Backstage Pass



Film Workshop

3 DAY HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

DATE: Wed 2nd to Fri 4th October

TIME: 1:00pm to 4:00pm

PLACE: Cummins Theatre - Merredin

AGES: 9yrs - 16yrs

THEME: Wizards & Magic

COST: \$15

In groups you'll write your own script, rehearse it, film it and then learn the basics of editing.

Book Now: www.trybooking.com/BFUQM or in person at Central Wheatbelt Visitors Centre



SPORTSFUN INFLATABLES TEAMS SUPER CHALLENGE!

FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY @ the Bruce Rock Oval!!

Monday 30th September

TEAM BUILDING CHALLENGES
10 - 17 years ONLY
Session 1: 10.00am - 12.00pm | Session 2: 1.00pm - 3.00pm
B40 LUNCH & WATER BOTTLE

Tuesday 1st October

SPORTSFUN INFLATABLES SUPER CHALLENGE
8 - 12 YEARS 12 - 17 YEARS
Session 1: 9.00am - 11.00am Session 2: 12.30pm - 3.00pm
B40 LUNCH & WATER BOTTLE

Under 8 years are welcome to attend but a parent/guardian must be present at all times

REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL

REGISTRATIONS FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BRUCE ROCK CRC
ALL REGISTRATION FORMS REQUIRED TO BE RETURNED TO THE BRUCE ROCK CRC BY
4.00PM THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT TAMARA ON 9061 1687

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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.

