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Merredin College Weekly Community Update



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES UTILISING SCHOOL BUSES

Bus contractors servicing Merredin College have been provided advice by the Public Transport Authority of WA in regards to COVID-19. Current Health Department advice is that passengers who feel ill from recent overseas travel should self-quarantine and seek to be tested for the virus. In line with that advice, the instruction to contractors has been normal hygiene protocols should be followed for staff and passengers. If children present with flu like symptoms school bus operators can ask parents to take their sick child home. For further advice please contact School Bus Services on 9326 2080.

P&C MEETING - MONDAY 23 MARCH 2020

To be held at 3.15pm in the Primary Staff Room. Please forward any agenda items to merredincollegepc.sec@gmail.com by 5pm, Monday 16 March 2020. The P&C committee would like to encourage you to attend these meetings wherever possible.
Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there.

NON PERMITTED PARKING AREAS

Parents/carers please be reminded that the driveway down the side of the library is for Staff Parking Only. It is not an area for collection or drop-off of students. The bus parking area is only not permitted before school until 9am and at the end of the day from 2.30pm (Wednesdays 2pm). During school hours parents can park at the front of the school.

ORIGO MATHS WORKBOOK

Student booklists for 2020 included a student workbook for Mathematics, 'Stepping Stones Student Journal. This book is an integral part of all student's numeracy learning program in Pre-primary to Year 6 and an absolute necessity. These books are available from Nextra Newsagency in town. Please contact Ms Lynne Herbert if you are having difficulty with the purchase of the book so we can make arrangements or payment plans.

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Merredin College will be participating in the Interschool Swimming Carnival with St Marys Primary School on Monday 16 March. All participating students have received their invitations via Consent2Go and permission and money are now due. Please come along to support your child on the day and contact Mrs Zane Walker if you are able to help out on the day.

MERREDIN COLLEGE FLOAT PARADE

Students from Year 3-10 have been invited to participate in the Float Parade at the Merredin show. If your child wishes to be a part of this inaugural event, please respond to the invitation sent through Consent2Go or email Barb Smith (Barbara.Smith@education.wa.edu.au) by this Friday. Only students who have permission from parents can participate.

Message from School Nurse.....

IMMUNISATIONS

After successfully completing the first round of Year 7 vaccinations last Wednesday, we are now focused on the upcoming Year 10 Meningococcal program early in Term 2. The consent form and information envelopes will be sent out this week so please keep a lookout and chat with your child about the importance of vaccinating to keep themselves and others protected. Please contact our school nurse - Rebecca Waye on 0429 061 109, in regards to either program or any queries regarding vaccinations.

HANDWASHING

Whilst we know that vaccinating is a great way to reduce the likelihood or severity of a wide variety of diseases including the dreaded Influenza. It's a great reminder to all to maintain good hand washing practises before we eat/touch food, after we use the bathroom, play outside or if our hands are visibly soiled. The number one way to prevent some common sicknesses is to ensure we wash our hands and stay home if unwell to prevent the spread. With all the current information regarding disease it's important that we keep our community as safe as possible by following the recommendations and washing our hands.





AMITY HEALTH
HEALTHY COUNTRY KIDS

PLAYGROUP

Mondays & Thursdays
9-11am
Merredin College - Block 1 Room 4

All children 0-5 years old are invited to join in with plenty of fun activities, morning tea, story time and play.

Contact: Clare & Ashlynn
PH: 9041 0962
Email: csmith@amityhealth.com.au



IMPORTANT DATES:

13 March	EASA Interschool Swimming Carnival
16 March	Primary Interschool Swimming
17 March	Secondary Parent Afternoon
23-25 March	School Photos
24 March	Year 8 Solar Car Challenge
27 March	Tennis Classic Finals
30 March	Year 11/12 Outdoor Ed Camp
2 April	Primary Assembly
9 April	ANZAC Commemoration Ceremonies
	Last day of School
27 April	ANZAC Day
28 April	Term 2 commences
4-6 May	Bibbulmun Trek (Girls)
5 May	Year 7-9 Uni Info Evening
9 May	School Ball
12 May	NAPLAN Commences
14 May	School Board AGM 5.30pm

USEFUL LINKS:

Uniform Shop:

<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/2020-ORDER-FORM-T1.pdf>

Canteen Menu:

<http://merredincollege.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Copy-of-2020-Canteen-Menu.pdf>

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UNIFORM SHOP HOURS:

Tuesdays - 8.30am-1pm

Thursdays - 11am-2pm