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Message from the Principal......

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Before the end of term, I will be advertising positions on the College Board. We have one Parent Member position, one Community Member position and two Staff Member positions to fill.

The role of the College Board is important since it takes part in the shaping and monitoring of the school's objectives, priorities, general policy directions and in the financial planning to support this. The College Board must approve the charges, contributions and fees, extra cost optional components of the school's educational program, items for personal use and any advertising and sponsorship arrangements.

The Board also has a role in formulating codes of conduct for students and determining, through consultation, a dress code for students. In addition, the Board can provide advice on policy for religious education.

It is important to realise that the College Board does not have a role in school management. This is the responsibility of the principal and administrative staff.

The Health Departments COVID-19 DETECT Study swabbing will be undertaken over a 3-6 month period at Merredin College for staff and students who have provided consent to participate. Testing will be conducted on the following days:

- Round 1- Wednesday 24 Thursday 25 June 2020
- Round 2- Wednesday 5 Thursday 6 August 2020
- Round 3- Wednesday 9 Thursday 10 September 2020

Now that the online consents have closed, the Health Department will contact these individuals to let them know that they may be testing on the dates of 24 and 25 June 2020. On the morning of 24 June we will receive an actual list of students and staff that will be swabbed. The school will provide support to all students and staff selected for testing.

Take care - Leigh

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Our school Cross Country is on Wednesday 24 June and this will still go ahead. More information will be forward once we receive more.

YEAR 10 MENINGOCOCCAL IMMUNISATIONS (TERM 3)

Year 10 students who have not returned there Meningococcal ACWY consent form will be given another one on Monday. Please complete and return to Student Services as soon as possible so your child does not miss out on this very important vaccine! Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Rebecca Waye (School Nurse) on 0429 061 109.

SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

A reminder to parents that they need to contact their bus driver if there is a change of arrangements for the bus service – this includes parents picking children up at the end of the day.

PRIMARY STUDENTS - NO HAT!! NO PLAY!!

Merredin College has a STRICT no hat – no play policy. All children need a hat to participate in our recess, lunch and physical education programs. Hats are available from the Uniform shop and the primary office for \$12. We have had a number of students missing hats this week – please check with your child.

IMPORTANT DATES:

15 June	P&C Meeting
24 June	Cross Country
3 July	Last day of term
20 July	School Development Day
21 July	Term 3 Commences

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS:

Tuesdays - 8.30am-1pm Wednesdays - 11am-2pm

SMS STUDENT ABSENTEES TO 0419 199 331

Please do not use this number for any other purpose than attendance as it is only checked a few times a day to update our records.