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## STUDENT INFORMATION AND CONTACT DETAILS

Reminder to parents/carers that any updates to student contact/emergency or healthcare details must be advised to Merredin College administration offices. Update forms will be provided upon request.

Information as provided by parents/carers via Consent2Go is solely used for incursions/excursions and are relevant to the event you are providing consent for.

## CONTRIBUTIONS & CHARGES

Thank you to parents and carers who have already paid their student's Contributions and Charges for 2021. Statements with outstanding amounts will be sent out shortly. Please note Charges for Year 11 and 12 are compulsory payments as are all agreed extra cost options for K-12. Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS) forms are available from the front office. Eligible Health Care card holders are entitled to up to \$350 towards contributions, charges and uniform. Please make sure when paying by EFT that the student's name is included in the reference. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the office on 08 9041 7520 to arrange a payment plan.

## YEAR 7 VOLLEYBALL ACADEMY TRYOUTS!

The Merredin College Volleyball Academy is now recruiting the next generation of stars. After a thoroughly successful competition year in 2020, it is that time of year to bring in the new talent. Tryouts for entry into the academy for Year 7's will occur during Physical Education classes in the coming weeks. For further information about the Volleyball program, please contact Mr David Pirovich (Program Coordinator) on 90417 520.

## SECONDARY SMART RIDER CARDS

Smart Rider application forms are available from Student Services. If your child is new to Merredin College and would like a card or a current student who requires a new card, forms MUST be completed and returned with payment of \$1.65 by next Friday 19 February 2021.

## SENIOR SCHOOLS COUNTRY WEEK

The Senior Schools Country Week tryouts will be run throughout Week 3 and 4 this term! For all of our Year 10-12 students who wish to attend this prestigious sporting event, you are welcome to sign up and attend the tryout sessions in order to win a position on a team. Parents/Guardians are able to contact the front office to be emailed an information sheet. Students may speak to a member of the Physical Education Department for further details.

## SWIMMING CARNIVALS

The Merredin College K-12 Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 26 February and both Interschool Carnivals on Friday 12 March. We will be advertising for parent helpers over the next few weeks. Please save the dates to help us out and/or come along to support your child on the day.

## NEXTRA MERREDIN BACK TO SCHOOL GIVEAWAY



Congratulations to Reeve Joy and his family on being the winners of a TV and Chrome Cast in the "Back to School Giveaway Competition" run by our local Nextra Newsagency.



## YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE 6-10 DECEMBER 2021

Year 10 Students interested in completing Work Experience at a hospital in Term 4 will need to apply through the 2021 GREaT Nursing and Midwifery Work Experience Program.

Applications **OPEN Monday 1 February 2021 & CLOSE on Friday 12 March 2021**. **No late application will be accepted**. You can apply to any hospital on the list, however transport and accommodation is your responsibility.

To apply follow the link:

<https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Careers/Occupations/Nursing-and-midwifery/Become-a-nurse-or-midwife/Work-experience-nursing-and-midwifery>

## 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 Merredin. Please contact Lynne Herbert (Deputy Principal) if you are having difficulty with the purchase of the book so we can make arrangements or payment plans.

## SEESAW LEARNING PORTFOLIOS (K-6)

Seesaw is a simple way for teachers and students to record and share what's happening in the classroom. Seesaw gives students a place to document their learning, be creative and learn how to use technology. Each student gets their own journal and will add things to it, like photos, videos, drawings, or notes. When there are new Seesaw posts, families can be notified via app notification, email or SMS. Parents are only notified about their own child's work, and all data is safe and secure.

If you are not connected to your child's portfolio, please request an access code from the classroom teacher. Check out the video for further information here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pzlrDR84KY&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pzlrDR84KY&feature=emb_logo)

## LUNCH AND SNACKS - PRIMARY

A number of students are dropping into the office to request food during the second break at 1.30pm. Can parents please have a conversation with students about whether they are getting enough food during the day. We have a limited supply of fruit and food items for emergencies which is being exhausted. We will give you a call if your child is coming to the office for extra food items.

## RELIEF STAFF – EDUCATION ASSISTANTS & CLEANERS

We are seeking casual Education Assistants and cleaning staff. Education Assistants work during school hours and cleaning staff must be available to work either a morning and afternoon split shift, before and after school, or daytime shifts during school hours. If you are interested in applying, please contact Susan Coomber in the front office to arrange Department of Education police clearance and Working with Children Check.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

<b>22 Feb</b>	P&C Meeting
<b>23 Feb</b>	Year 11/12 ATAR Info Night (5.30pm)
<b>25 Feb</b>	Primary Assembly
<b>26 Feb</b>	K-12 Swimming Carnival
<b>1 March</b>	Labour Day Public Holiday
<b>4 March</b>	Tennis Comp - Cunderdin
<b>8-10 Mar</b>	School Photos
<b>12 March</b>	EASA Y7-10 Swimming Carnival Primary Interschool Swimming Carnival
<b>19 March</b>	Secondary Assembly
<b>22-24 Mar</b>	Southwest Volleyball Comp
<b>25 March</b>	Primary Assembly
<b>22 Feb</b>	P&C Meeting
<b>1 April</b>	Last day of Term 1 (Thursday)
<b>19 April</b>	Term 2 commences
<b>26 April</b>	ANZAC Day

# SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7 TO 12  
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:

## \$350

towards school expenses

DO YOU HOLD A:

- CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD (OR)
- CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD (OR)
- VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close  
**Thursday 1 April 2021**

**Ask School Reception for More Information**



## Save the Date: UniHall UWA Open Day

Sunday 28 March  
10am - 2pm

Explore living on campus at  
UWA's own residential  
college

View our schedule:  
[unihall.uwa.edu.au/penday](http://unihall.uwa.edu.au/penday)

