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Last week our school community experienced the tragic loss of a Year 11 student. She was an active part of our school community and will be deeply missed. We would like to extend our sincere condolences once again to her family and friends.

Sincerely Leigh and the Merredin College Staff.

SWIMMING CARNIVALS

The Merredin College Year 3 -12 Swimming Carnival will be held this Friday 26 February. If you are able to help at the carnival, please return the slip sent home last week or leave a message for Zane Walker at the school. Consent2Go permissions went out last week and need to be completed by Wednesday.

The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle on the day. Order forms for primary students were sent home last week and are available from student services for secondary students. Orders along with payment enclosed need to be back before tomorrow afternoon (Tuesday 23 February).

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=pzlrtDR84KY&feature=emb_logo

YEAR 11 AND 12 ATAR INFORMATION EVENING

There will be an information session in the library Tuesday 23 February 2021 from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Parents/ Caregivers of ATAR students and ATAR students themselves are encouraged to attend. We will also be hosting this meeting through Webex so that those parents/caregivers who can't attend due to distance or other engagements will have the chance to hear the information given on the night. If you wish to attend via Webex the link is below. Please check prior to the day that you are able to use the link and if you are having trouble please contact the college and we will be able to assist you.

Please RSVP if you will be attending either in person or via Webex by contacting the college on 9041 7520. Meeting link: <u>https://educationwa.webex.com/educationwa/j.php?MTID=m9198944c434780bc9f0cfd69eab8b90a</u>

Meeting number: 184 647 6708 Password: MCATAR



CLASS

2021 SCHOOL PHOTOS INFORMATION (8 March-10 March 2021)

Please see below the schedule for this year's school photos. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days in appropriate school uniform.

Family photos will be taken in the Secondary Undercover Area. *Monday 8 March 2021*

- · Family Photos (Surnames A-H) from 8.20-8.45am
- Kindy 1 to Year 6 and Year 7 and Year 10 student photos. Tuesday 9 March 2021
- · Family Photos (Surnames I-N) from 8.20-8.45am
- Kindy 2, Year 8, 9 and 12 student photos, and the Primary Choir group photo. *Wednesday 10 March 2021*
- · Family Photos (Surnames O-Z) from 8.20-8.45am
- · Year 11 student photos, Primary and Secondary School Leader Groups.

Class Photos/Portraits:

 \cdot Every Student will have their photo taken, whether they are purchasing photos or not.

 \cdot The school has chosen to use the online ordering system. Your child will be given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student shootkey.

Log onto <u>www.msp.com.au</u> and follow the prompts to place your order.
If you lose your shootkey the school reception will have a copy to quote back to you.

• The expiry date for online ordering is 16 March 2021. Any orders received after this date will incur a \$30 archive fee. You can email your order request through to reorders.perth@msp.com.au or call our office on 08 9240 8000.

Family Photos:

· Envelopes can be obtained from Administration.

· Family photos are taken each morning before school.

 \cdot Please ensure that your family envelope and payment are handed to the Photographers on photo day.

· Family photos cannot be ordered online.

 \cdot Once school has received photos, family photos will remain at reception for parents to collect.

Please Note: Individuals and Family Photos are not available to view online.

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.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

22 Feb	P&C AGM 6pm
23 Feb	Year 11/12 ATAR Info Night (5.30pm)
25 Feb	Primary Assembly
26 Feb	K-12 Swimming Carnival
1 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
4 March	Tennis Comp - Cunderdin
8-10 Mar	School Photos
12 March	EASA Y7-10 Swimming Carnival
	Primary Interschool Swimming Carnival
19 March	Secondary Assembly
20 March	Merredin Show
21-24 Mai	Southwest Volleyball Comp
25 March	Primary Assembly
22 Feb	P&C Meeting
1 April	Last day of Term 1 (Thursday)
19 April	Term 2 commences

