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Merredin College Weekly Community Update



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

Attached is School Photo information including the schedule, it is important that your child comes to school on these days in appropriate school uniform. Please take note of details for ordering. Family photos will be taken in the Secondary Undercover Area, please arrive promptly on your allocated day.

## PRIMARY INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Students have received invitations for the interschool carnival this week along with requests for parent helpers. If you are able to help out on the day, please contact Zane Walker at the school. Permissions will go out via Consent2Go late this week.

## EASA YEAR 7-10 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The interschool carnival will be held next Friday 12 March at Dowerin. The team will be finalised today and Consent2Go permissions will be sent home soon.

## ORIGO MATHS WORKBOOK

Student booklists for 2021 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 me if you are having difficulty with the purchase of the book so we can make arrangements or payment plans.

## HOMEWORK CLUB (SECONDARY)

Homework club will commence for 2021 next week from Tuesday 9 March. It is held in the Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4pm.

## BEACH VOLLEYBALL CUP

This weekend we have teams from Years 8-10 representing Merredin College at the Beach Volleyball Cup being held at City Beach, spectators are welcome to come along and support them. Good luck to those competing.

## STUDENTS SIGNING OUT DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

It is important to notify the classroom teacher (Primary) or Student Services (Secondary) prior to student/s signing out/leaving school site via note, email or SMS. Please include correct date, time and who is collecting your child/ren.

## HEALTH CARE FORMS

Student health care plan updates have been sent home. Please complete and return them to Student Services and Primary Administration as soon as possible to ensure your child's health concerns are managed appropriately by school staff.



## USI NUMBERS - YEAR 10

All students are required to register for a USI (Unique Student Identifier) to enable them to enrol into their courses once they get to Year 11 and 12.

If your child already has a USI number please advise the school so we can put it in our records system. If you need to apply for one, you can log on to <https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi> and follow the prompts to create a new USI (you will need Medicare card details, passport or Birth Certificate). Please either provide a print out of the USI making sure your child's name is on it or advise the administration for recording.

## 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.

## NO HAT!! NO PLAY!!

Merredin College has a STRICT no hat – no play policy in primary. 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.

## MERREDIN COLLEGE FACEBOOK PAGE

Merredin College has an official Facebook page to keep parents up to date with the goings on at the college. This includes last minute changes to arrangements as well as events for students. Please follow our page and subscribe to get notified of updates.

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

- 8-10 Mar** School Photos
- 12 March** EASA Y7-10 Swimming Carnival  
Primary Interschool Swimming Carnival
- 16 March** Parent Teacher Meetings (7-12)
- 19 March** Secondary Assembly
- 20 March** Merredin Show
- 21-24 Mar** 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
- 25 April** ANZAC Day
- 26 April** ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- 1 May** Year 10-12 School Ball



# 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**

