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A message from the Principal

On Monday, we had a period of lockdown late in the day. From time to time, schools use a lockdown procedure to manage situations. The range of reasons why we would call a lockdown is wide and varied, but utmost in our minds is the safety of your children in our care. For the most part in my experience in schools, lockdowns have primarily been used to assure students experiencing distress or injury a level of privacy and dignity.

I know that these situations can be unsettling as parents and that the rumour mill can quickly start up. Be assured that in the case of a Lockdown we will be in contact, probably via email as soon as we possibly can.

Jarrad Ritchie

#EVERY-SCHOOL-DAY-MATTERS

1 or 2 days a week may not seem like a lot but.....

If your child misses...	that equals...	or...	From Kindy to year 12 that adds up to...	Which is the equivalent of attending until:
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	1 month per year	nearly 1 ½ years	part-way through year 11
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per year	over 2 ½ years	part-way through year 10
2 days per week	80 days per year	4 months per year	over 5 years	the end of year 7
3 days per week	120 days per year	6 months per year	nearly 8 years	the end of year 4

TERM 2 - WEEK 11 ARRANGEMENTS (28 JUNE – 2 JULY)

- All Year 7 – 10 students will have a normal timetable.
- Year 11 and Year 12 students who are not attending Country Week or on Workplace Learning (organised through the school) will be undertaking supervised, independent, online learning in the library.

WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country event for Pre-primary to Year 12 students will be held next Friday, 28 May commencing on the school oval at 9am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend to cheer them on.

SCHOOL DENTIST

The dentist will be closed from Monday, 24 May until the end of June. They can be contacted on mobile number 0459 241 543 or via email at merredindtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au.

LOST PROPERTY

We have an abundance of jackets/jumpers in our lost property baskets with no names on them. Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled so items can be returned to students should they turn up in the lost property.



MONKEY BAA PERFORMANCE - 'PETE THE SHEEP'

Students in our Year 1, Year 1/2 and Year 2/3 classes have received invitations to attend the 'Pete the Sheep' performance at Cummins Theatre scheduled for Wednesday, 26 May. Invitations went out via Consent2Go earlier in the week. The cost of the excursion will be \$10. Please forward payment to the classroom teacher.

'THE LITTLE PRINCE' PERFORMANCE – CUMMINS THEATRE

Students in Year 3/4, Year 4/5 and Year 5 classes will soon receive their invitations to attend 'The Little Prince' performance at Cummins Theatre scheduled for Thursday, 3 June. These invitations will be sent out via Consent2Go this week. The cost of the excursion will be \$10. Please forward payment to the classroom teacher.

YEAR 11 & 12 CHANGE OF COURSE/S DEADLINES 2021

(as recommended by Merredin College)

FRIDAY, 18 JUNE 2021:

- Last date for student transfers between *single Year 11 units [A2 & G2]* for Semester 2
- Last date for student transfers from *paired Year 11 units [AE & GE]* to *single units [A2 or G2]* for Semester 2

FOSTER CARERS WANTED

Lifestyle Solutions is a friendly not-for-profit organisation providing Foster Care placements for children in the Perth Metro region. We are looking to recruit Foster Carers who would like to make a difference to the life of a child. Becoming a Foster Carer with Lifestyle Solutions will give you the opportunity to make a real and meaningful difference in a child's life – and your own. We would love to hear from you if you are interested.

Become a Foster Carer, give us a call on 1800 GO FOSTER (1800 46 367837)! We look forward to talking with you.

WANTED - SCARIFIER POINTS

Design & Technology Department are seeking old scarifier points to use for welding projects in metalwork. If anyone has some they are able to donate, please contact Mr Mark McLellan on 90417520 to arrange delivery/pick-up.

IMPORTANT DATES:

21-28 May	ATAR Exams
28 May	Whole School Cross Country
4 June	School Development Day (Students are not required to attend on this day)
7 June	WA Day
10 June	School Board Meeting 5.30pm
14 June	P&C Meeting 3.15pm
17 June	Primary Assembly
18 June	Primary Combined Schools Cross Country
23 June	Get Into Resources Year 10 Excursion
24 June	WCF Secondary Netball Cup
25 June	Secondary Highest Achievers/ Country Week Assembly WCF Primary Netball Cup
27 June-2 July	Secondary Country Week
1 July	Primary Winter Carnival
2 July	Last Day of Term 2
19 July	Staff Commence Term 3 (SDD)
20 July	Students commence Term 3 (Tuesday)

PRIMARY SCHOOL BANKING DAY

EVERY THURSDAY IN BLOCK 1 WET
AREA AT 8.30AM

