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A message from the Principal

After a couple of near incidents could we please ask that everyone takes extra care when exiting our primary kiss and drop carpark on Throssell Road.

Please join us in congratulating Terri Te Kani on being named a finalist in the Education Awards 2021. Should you wish to provide any words of support as final judging continues please feel free to contact me.

Mr Jarrad Ritchie PRINCIPAL

POSITION AVAILABLE - CHIEF EXAMINATION SUPERVISOR

The School's Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) are looking for a Chief Examination Supervisor and Examination Supervisor for the upcoming ATAR Exam period. The exams will take place here at the college in the Seminar room at the Trade Centre. The exams are generally run during school hours. Interested people are required to have an Education Department Screening check and a Working with Children Card. This is a paid position and if you need further information or are interested in filling this position please email David O'Neill david.oneill@education.wa.edu.au

CLEANING STAFF WANTED

Merredin College is looking for additional casual cleaning staff to cover leave (planned and emergency) as well as COVID cleaning requirements. Majority of hours likely to be within AM (between 4.30 and 8.30) and/or PM (between 2.00 and 6.00). **Working with Children's and Education Department Criminal Screening required.** If you are interested please contact Susan Coomber on 08 90 417 520.

MERREDIN COLLEGE BOARD ELECTIONS AND EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Merredin College Board is calling for nominations for one parent position. Members of the Board are appointed for a term not exceeding three years and parent positions are elected by the school community.

The Merredin College Board meets twice per term, currently on a Thursday at 5.30pm in Weeks 4 and 8 of each school term. Meetings are usually about 90 minutes long.

If you are interested in nominating as a parent representative, please request a Board Nomination Form from Bev Irving (School Officer). Nominations close on 11 September and are to be returned to:

<u>Bev.Irving@education.wa.edu.au</u> or to Merredin College, Woolgar Avenue, Merredin WA 6415.

Further information about the role of the School Board can be provided on request.

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY

The next primary assembly for the year will be held on Thursday, 16 September and will be run by the Year 1 and the Pre-primary classes. The assembly will commence at 9am and we look forward to welcoming our parents into the school for this celebration.



SECONDARY ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Next Friday, 10 September the Secondary Athletics Carnival will be held at Merredin College oval. All students are to wear their house coloured faction shirts or wear fancy dress costumes to boost house spirit. This event is always a highlight of the year for students to have fun and compete socially or competitively against their peers.

Parent helpers: We have had a number of parents volunteer. If you are interested in assisting on the day, we won't turn down help for the morning session (9:00am-12:15pm).

Email david.pirovich2@education.wa.edu.au.

A program of events will be posted to our Merredin College Sports Carnival Page on Facebook. Please 'like' and share our page to receive updates on this and other sporting events at the College.

EASA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This year Merredin College will be hosting the Secondary EASA Athletics Carnival on Friday, 17 September.

We are looking parent helpers for this event. If you are able to assist on the day contact Mr Dave O'Neill.

USI NUMBERS - YEAR 10 STUDENTS

All students at Merredin College are required to register for a USI (Unique Student Identifier) to enable them to enrol in certain courses. More information about USI's can be found at https://www.usi.gov.au/ about.

It is important that ALL Year 10 students have provided us with a USI number for course selections in 2022.

What do I need to do?

Log on to https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi and follow the prompts to create a USI (you will need Medicare card details, passport or Birth Certificate). Please provide a print out of the USI making sure your child's name and every digit of the USI number is very clear.

CHARGES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Overdue Charges and Contributions have been distributed, payment can be made via EFT or at the main administration office. Payment plans can also be arranged by contacting the front office.

YEAR 6 CAMP

A reminder to parents that payment is due to be paid by Friday, 17 September.

> **Account Details: Merredin College**

> > BSB: 066-040 A/c: 1990 3610

Please include student surname with initial and brief description of what payment is for.

IMPORTANT DATES:

P&C Meeting 3:15pm 6 Sept

9 Sept School Board Meeting 5:30pm 10 Sept Secondary Athletics Carnival

13-14 Sept Year 5-12 Cyber Safety Seminars

15 Sept Primary Interschool Athletics Carnival

16 Sept **Primary Assembly**

17 Sept **EASA Secondary Athletics Carnival**

Secondary Open Day

21-24 Sept Year 6 Camp

24 Sept Last day of Term 3

11 Oct School Development Day

12 Oct Term 3 commences for students

15 Oct Year 7-12 Assembly

> Year 4-6 T20 Cricket Cup Year 12's last day of school

22 Oct Year 12 Awards Night

The next P&C Meeting will be held on: MONDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER 2021@ 3:15PM IN THE PRIMARY STAFF ROOM

