

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER

13th Friday

- Grade 5/6 Camp returns
- 2016 Prep Practice 9-11.30pm

10th Tuesday

Family Information Night for Language Backgrounds Other Than English students – Senior College

11th Wednesday

Family Information Night for Pacific Islander students – Senior College

12th Thursday

Family Information Night for Koorie students – Senior College

20th Friday

2016 Prep Practice 9-2pm

24th Tuesday

Head Start Days (for students who have selected a Yr 12 subject)

25th Wednesday

Play it Safe by the Water Program

27th Tuesday

- Yr 10 Enrolment Night MSC 3.30-6.30pm
- 2016 Prep Practice Day 9-3.15pm

DECEMBER

4th Friday

Year 10 Graduation Ceremony
Final Day of School for Year 10

7th Monday

Pupil Free Day

8th Tuesday

Senior College Orientation Day
-2016 Prep Practice Day 9-3.15pm.

9th Wednesday

Senior College Orientation Day

10th Thursday

Awards Night (Primary & Secondary)

11th Friday

Grade Prep & 6 Graduation Ceremony

14th Monday

Grade 6 Celebration Dinner – Pizza Café

16th Wednesday

Secondary Summer Program

18th Friday

Last Day of School
Earlier Dismissal Time of 2.30pm.

PREP PRACTICE PHOTOS



NEW CANTEEN MENU FOR YEARS 4-10

Due to new management, only the following list of items will be available for purchase at our school canteen for the remainder of the year. **This menu will start on Monday 16th November.** Below is the Years 4-10 New Canteen Menu.

Sweet Chilli Wraps	Full \$5.50	Half \$3.00
Salt/Vinegar Wraps	Full \$5.50	Half \$3.00
Marinated BBQ Wrap	Full \$5.50	Half \$3.00
Toasted Sandwich Meal Deal – comes with a drink (BBQ, CCC, HAW, HCT, HC)	With small drink \$5.00	With Large Drink \$6.00
Chicken Crackles	50c each	
Chicken Munchies	\$1 for 4 munchies	
Half Chicken Salad Wrap	\$3.00	
Half Chicken Salad Wrap and drink	With small drink \$4.50	With Large Drink \$5.50

Fridays Only

Pies, Large Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Small Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Party Pie	\$1.00

REMEMBRANCE DAY REPORT

The college acknowledged Remembrance Day yesterday. Thank you to Lachlan Brown, one of our Year 10 students who gave a talk to the school, which was followed by a minute's silence. The infant students made red poppies in their class time and were given a brief explanation of why we have the special day.

SWITCH TO SAVE AND SUPPORT THE SCHOOL

The Bendigo Bank is offering families the chance to save more than \$500 a year on their power bill by replacing your old 'energy-thirsty' Halogen Down Lights with 'energy-efficient' LED Down Lights. The Bendigo Bank will donate \$1 for every down light replaced in our community to our school. Flyers will be sent home to each family with the eldest child at the school. Secondary tomorrow, Grade P-4 today and Grade 5-6 on Monday. For further information contact the Merbein District Community Bank on 5025 1377.

SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

BSB - 063 714

Bank Acc Number – 10060535

Account Name - Merbein P-10 College Official Account.

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Tuesday 8.30 – 9.30am

Open Thursday 2.00 – 4.00pm

If these times do not suit, please ring the school to make other arrangements.

UP COMING EVENTS

Nov 13th	2016 Prep Students Practice Day
Nov 20th	2016 Prep Students Practice Day
Nov 23 rd	School Review
Nov 27 th	2016 Prep Students Practice Day
Dec 4 th	Year 10 Graduation evening
Dec 7 th	Pupil Free Day
Dec 8 th	-Orientation Day for Year 6 and 10 -2016 Prep Students Practice Day
Dec 9 th	Orientation Day for Year 6 and 10
Dec 10 th	Awards Evening (Primary & Secondary)
Dec 11 th	Prep and Yr 6 Official ceremony
Dec 16 th	Secondary Summer Program
Dec 18 th	Last Day of school

PARENTS' CLUB CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Parents' Club are asking each family to donate a non-perishable item to their Christmas Raffle. Donations can be left at the main office or at the office in the Green Building. Raffle books will sent out at a later date. Please ensure the donated items Use-by-Date has not passed.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

The school prefers to send the weekly newsletter and other important information home via email as this is the most reliable method. Please send your email address to:

giddings.beth.l@edumail.vic.gov.au asking for the newsletter to be emailed to you.

Please note that those few students in Years 8/9/10 who still require a hardcopy of the newsletter, will need to collect their newsletter from the main office at the finish of their last class each Thursday.

MERBEIN P-10 FACEBOOK PAGE

Check the Facebook Page for updates about the school and upcoming events.

www.facebook.com/merbeinp10collegeparentsclub

MERBEIN P-10 COLLEGE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

The Breakfast Program is being financially supported by the Merbein & District Community Bank & Merbein Development Association. The following organisations also provide volunteers to assist with the program; Merbein P10 College Parents' Club, the Board & Staff of the Merbein & District Community Bank, Merbein Development Association, Merbein Lions Club and Merbein Rotary. If you are able to volunteer to help in the Breakfast Program, please contact Haley at the Merbein & District Community Bank. The Breakfast Program is held in the school cafeteria. All students are welcome to come along between 8.00am and 8.45am each morning if they would like a FREE tasty breakfast to kick-start their day's learning.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Reminder that the newsletter is uploaded to the school's website each week - merbeinp10.vic.edu.au

PRIMARY NEWS

ART REPORT – Jodie Atkinson

Over the past few weeks students have been learning to make music using percussion instruments. They have been focussing on beat, tempo, tones and composing tunes. Students have had lots of fun participating in Art this term. Next week the Grade 4 students will be recording their compositions in the College's recording studio. Students will begin Christmas related art activities in two weeks.

Some students from Grade 5-6 participated in a Mystery Bag Challenge. Their task was to plan and create a Pom-Pom Launcher using bits and pieces from their mystery bag. Lots of creativity and fun was had while students used their skills to invent the Pom-Pom Launcher.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE BOOKS

Christmas Raffle Books went home yesterday with students. We ask that every family sell a book of tickets and return the book with money to school as soon as possible. More raffle books are available for collection from the school office.

PREP PRACTICE REPORT

Last Friday's Prep Practice was a huge success. All the Kinder kids had a fantastic time practising being a Prep. They have taken home a book that they can read and will be given a new one when they visit for the second time tomorrow, on Friday 13th November from 9.00-11.30am. It was wonderful to see them all very excited about starting school with some dressed like school students in the Merbein P10 uniform. We have been establishing routines, rules, positive behaviours and friendships. They have begun learning to read, write and some maths as well. Last week we looked at different colours. Tomorrow we will concentrate on the colour red. If you know of any families with interested prospective 2016 Preps, they are welcome to join us. The day will start about 8.53am with Brain Gym in Bugs End of the Green Building.

LAKE CULLULLERAINE CAMPERS UPDATE

The students are having a wonderful time, working in teams and participating in lots of fun activities. The Lake Cullulleraine Campers will be arriving back at school tomorrow Friday 13th November at 2:30pm. There are some very tired students and exhausted teachers after a very full week. **We request that parents please ensure they are on time to pick up their child at 2.30pm tomorrow.**

GRADE P-3 ON TOUR TENNIS PROGRAM

REPORT – Rebecca Holy

The Grade P-3 students have been participating in the On Tour Tennis Program run by Dean Kyle during their PE sessions over the last five weeks. They've enjoyed learning tennis skills such as: overhand drive, back hand, overhand volley, the ready position, different parts of a tennis court and racquet and basic ball skills.

Students have the opportunity to further their skills by continuing the tennis program held on Saturday mornings at the Lawn Tennis Courts in Mildura from 8:30am. The cost is only \$5 and anyone from the age of 5 -12 can participate.

ON TOUR TENNIS PROGRAM STUDENT REPORTS

Tennis is really fun, I liked how you hit the ball up.
By Sapphire.

Tennis was fun, I really liked the game where you catch people out and you become a champion. By Jayden D.

I liked hitting the balls and dragging the ball like a dog. By Preston



NEW CANTEEN MENU FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR

Due to new management, the school canteen has a new menu for the remainder of the year starting Monday, 16th November. The Green Building Menu (Years P-3) is attached to the back of this newsletter.

PRIMARY LIBRARY DONATIONS THANK YOU

We are very happy to acknowledge the many beautiful books that have kindly been donated to the Primary Library recently. Merbein P10 College greatly appreciates and values the donations given as well as the time and effort given from volunteers throughout the year to help out in the library. It is the students who have and will continue to reap the rewards. Thank you again to those people.

MERBEIN COMMUNITY BANK SCHOOL STUDENT BANKING PROGRAM

If you wish your child to participate in this program, send your child's bank book along to the Green Building Office every Thursday morning. The Bank will collect and process your child's banking and then drop the bank book back to the school before the end of the school day.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club orders close next Thursday 19th November.

MERBEIN P-10 COLLEGE OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Cheryll Hodge is our school's OSHC coordinator and can be contacted on 0428 258035 if you have any queries.

SECONDARY NEWS

2016 MATHS TEXTBOOKS – Duane Ebbels

2016 Year 7-10 students will continue to use the Essential Mathematics textbook we are currently using. If you know someone who has a child in a year level above your child, we suggest you think about making arrangements to purchase their second hand texts before the end of this year. A new text book will cost \$59.95 and generally you can get a good second hand one for around \$20 to \$30.

SENIOR COLLEGE 'HEAD START' DAYS

There will be a 'Head Start' day on either Wednesday 18th, Thursday 19th or Friday 20th November for students completing a Year 12 subject next year. The Senior College will release a timetable for these days early next week. When this is released Mr Dreyer will inform students which day they are required to attend. On the day students are required to attend, they should make their own way to and from the Senior College.

YEAR 10 GRADUATION

The Year 10 Graduation will be held at Club Da Vinci on Friday, 4th December from 6.00-10.30pm. Tickets can be purchased from the school's main office. Cost will be \$40 per person. Each student is able to purchase a ticket for themselves plus a ticket for two adult family members. Up to four adult tickets may be purchased but this will depend on family circumstances. The price of the ticket includes a two course meal. Soft drink will be available for purchase on the night at bar prices. This is strictly an alcohol free event.

Tables will be allocated at the time of purchase, please present your ticket on the night.

Friday, 4th December will also be the last official school day for Year 10 students. Classes will not run for Year 10 students after this date.

Please feel free to contact Mr Dreyer if you have any questions. dreyer.timothy.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

LEGO CLUB

Lego Club is on this Saturday from 10:30-11:30am, held at 110 Pine Ave Mildura. We have a few new little sets that are perfect to complete in one hour. Only three more Lego weeks before Christmas. All welcome. For more information email sunraysia.autism@gmail.com

FREEZA - PUSH START BATTLE OF THE BANDS

FReeZA are hosting an outdoor music event to celebrate this year's FReeZA Push Start Battle of the Bands Wimmera Mallee Regional Final held 6pm at Nowingi Place on 4th December. Cost \$20, early bird \$15, families \$45. Bands performing will be Kingswood, Torque, Soul, Loose Bricks, Levi Smith, and TVL Trio. No Drugs, Alcohol or Smoking. Local band, We are a Band Thing will compete against Horsham band, Empire. The winning band wins a spot in the State Wide Grand. Tickets can be purchased from <http://www.milduraartscentre.com.au/Ticket-Sales/Other-Events.aspx>.

SUNRAYZIA FOOTBALL TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Fundraising for a six year old local Sunraysia girl. Proceeds will go towards a high-low bed. Event to be held at the Irymple Bocce Club on 21st November at 7pm. \$20 per ticket. Come dressed as your favourite movie character (optional). Phone 0498735916 for tickets. 18+ event. Supper provided. Drinks at bar prices.

DRAG RACING EVENT -KOORLONG

Event to be held on Mercer Street Koorlong (Sunsetstrip). **Friday, 4th December** – Cost: Adults \$10 & U17 free, Time: 5-9.30pm.

Saturday, 5th December – Cost: Adults \$25 Pensioners \$15 Students 12-17 \$10 & U12 free, Time: 11.30am-10pm. Tickets available at the gate. BYO everything. Website sunsetstrip.org.au. For more information call 0438548747.

MRC SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12 to 16 YEARS

11 January \$15	Putt Putt & Aqua Coaster
12 January \$15	Laserforce
13 January Free	Mildura Waves
14 January \$15	Movies & Pizza
15 January \$15	House of Bounce
18 January \$15	Cupcakes & Nail Art
19 January \$15	Inflatable World @ Lifestyle Plus
20 January \$15	Lawn Bowls & Ten Pin Bowling
21 January Free	Merbein Pool
22 January Free	Freestyle Art

Don't miss out. Registration is essential. Closing date will be Tuesday, 22nd December, 2015 at 5pm. Registration forms are available by contacting youthservices@mildura.vic.gov.au or www.mildura.vic.gov.au/youth

For further information contact Mildura Rural City Council Youth Services on 5018 8280.

SUNITAFE 2016 CREATIVE ARTS COURSE STUDY INTERVIEWS

Will be held 26th November from 11am to 3pm. Contact: Hannah Burke (03)5022 3673.

MILDURA RURAL CITY COUNCIL COMMUNITY SAFETY EXPO

Community Safety Expos with Emergency and Health Services Demonstrations, Entertainment and Interactive Activities including a free Outdoor Cinema Night will be held Saturday 14th November. Movie: Minions held at Nowingi Place (Mildura Riverfront) from 5pm onwards. Food and drinks for purchase. Bring your picnic rugs and chairs. This is an alcohol and smoke free event. For more information phone (03) 5018 8100. Or visit the website www.mildura.vic.gov.au/events.

Kids, what would you do with \$500?

Bendigo Bank's **Switch to Save** program is raising money for your school.

For every down light that is exchanged at homes or in businesses in your community – your school will receive \$1.

Ask your teacher about **Switch to Save**.

Bendigo Bank
Bigger than a bank.

bendigobank.com.au/switchtosave

Merbein Rotary Community Carols

**Kenny Park
Friday December 4th**

**Food & Drink Stalls
- from 6.30 pm**

Program starts 7.15 pm

**Santa
(approx. 9.15 pm)**

Primary Section Green Building Canteen Lunch Menu

½ Sweet Chilli Wrap	\$3.00	
½ Salt /Vinegar Wrap	\$3.00	
½ BBQ Wrap	\$3.00	
½ Chicken Salad Wrap	\$3.00	
Chicken Crackles	50c each	
Chicken Munchies	4 for	
Small Chocolate Milk	\$2.00	
Small Strawberry Milk	\$2.00	
Small Banana Milk	\$2.00	
Water	\$1.50	
Small Focus Water -ABC	\$2.00	
-Raspberry	\$2.00	
-Lemon	\$2.00	
Small Orange Juice	\$2.00	
Small Apple Juice	\$2.00	

Fridays Only

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pie | \$3.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Small Sausage Roll | \$3.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Large Sausage Roll | \$3.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Party Pie | \$1.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sauce | |

Name

Grade

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$