STUDENT OF THE MONTH AWARD WINNERS
Congratulations to the following Students of the Month Award winners.

PRIMARY MONTHLY AWARD WINNERS

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DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER
6th Friday
2016 Prep Practice 9-11.30am
9th-13th
Grade 5/6 Lake Cullulleraine Camp
13th Friday
2016 Prep Practice 9-2pm
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
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)
UP COMING EVENTS

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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

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.

PRIMARY NEWS

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION
Some students are arriving at school before 8.40am when there is no supervision in the yard. Please remind your child that if they are at school early they are to go to the Breakfast Club in the School Canteen and then sit down outside the Green Building on our table and chairs and wait until a teacher is supervising to play.

It has been noted that some children who are not bus travellers, are getting here at 8.10am which makes it a very long day for them.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART REPORT - Rebekah McClure
On behalf of the Heart Foundation, a HUGE thank you for supporting the Jump Rope For Heart this year. So far this year, collectively the Jump Rope for Heart program has raised over $1.8 million!

I am so glad that Merbein P-10 College played a part in such a great achievement, and we are so grateful for your support- raising a fantastic $2,473.36. Without schools like ours, the Heart Foundation would not be able to continue to fund lifesaving heart research. Thank you for your hard work! Prizes will be issued in the coming week.

LOST PROPERTY REMOVED 9th NOVEMBER
All unnamed lost property in the infant end of the Green Building will be taken over to the Uniform Shop on Monday, 9th November. If your child is missing a school polar fleece or doesn’t have one then please come and choose an unnamed, unclaimed jumper from the lost property box. Please note that any unnamed containers that have been left at school will be discarded on Monday, 9th November. This is the final opportunity to retrieve your child’s lost lunch boxes/containers/drink bottles.

PREP PRACTICE – TOMORROW
Reminder that the Kinder Kids will be visiting tomorrow between 9-11.30am to experience time at school. They will need to bring a hat, water bottle and some fruit for recess.
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.

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

REGIONAL HOCKEY FINALS REPORT – Mrs Dawson
On 22nd October, two hockey stalwarts, Mrs Dawson and Mrs Bennett had the pleasure of accompanying ten talented and hard-working girls to the Regional Hockey Finals in Bendigo. A 4.30am start to the day was not for the faint hearted, especially following the Variety Performance the night before. We arrived in Bendigo 10 minutes before our first game against Echuca. Our experienced players gave our ‘newbies’ the support they needed. We won 1-0, the goal coming off a beautifully executed short corner accredited to Shae. Our second game was against Bendigo South East. Again Kiara, Jess and Shae provided a strong back bone and the others began to discover that hard work and persistence pays off. We won 2-0 with Kiara scoring both goals, one field and one short corner.

We took to the field in the final game knowing that a draw would see us victorious but the girls were keen to secure a ‘Clean Sweep’. The scores during the game were 1-0, 1-1, 2-1 and then to the relief of Mrs Dawson and Mrs Bennett the final score was 3-1 in our favour.

The girls are to be commended on their efforts as they were one player short and had no interchange players. The determination and courage they displayed was inspiring. Congratulations to the team on becoming the Intermediate Girls Regional Champions. Onward and upward to State Finals in November. Team members are:
Jess ‘Cool as a cucumber’ Barko
Shae ‘Third generation’ Congress
Kiara ‘What sore foot’ Brown
Ash ‘I don’t want to goal keep all day’ Battin
Tara ‘I really want a goal’ Martin
Ash ‘I am woman’ Wakefield
Ashlyn ‘I can get aggressive’ Livens
Jordan ‘I think I get it now’ Kew
Vhilla ‘Look behind you’ Evans
Jasmine ‘I’ll do anything’ Sharp

MATHEMATICS COMPETITION REPORT – Ebbels
The Australian Mathematics Competition was held in July with around 50 participants from Years 7-10. I would like to congratulate all of the students that participated. Once again this year Merbein P-10 students received some great results. Twenty one students received credits or above. The following students all received credits.

| Year 7 | Ben Roberts, Jessica Pratt, David Hogg-Goodman & McKenzie Dunne. |
| Year 8 | Tre Kirkpatrick, Dorraine Bagacay, India Dove, Kaitlyn Mitchell & Corey Sleep. |
| Year 9 | Lachlan Crouch, Ashlyn Livens, Anne-Marrrie McPhail, Aisea Miki & Haley Thomas. |

The following received Distinctions.

| Year 7 | Chloe Costa |
| Year 9 | James McGregor |
| Year 10 | Maddie Beckwith |

ASSEMBLY REPORT
Today we held a secondary assembly where many students were acknowledged for their academic and sporting achievements. We presented National Maths and English Competition Credit and Distinction Certificates to over forty students in Years 7-10. We also heard Successful Student Sports Reports from the State Athletics as well as the Zone Cricket and Hockey Teams. The Student of the Month Awards were presented and Johanna Friman, an exchange student from Sweden gave an interesting message. Some of our music students performed the National Anthem at the start of the assembly, they also gave us a musical interlude half way through. To begin the assembly Karsha Herold presented the Acknowledgement of Country. The next assembly for the whole school will be held on Friday 4th December. It will be the final formal assembly for our Year 10 students.
END OF YEAR – STUDENT WORK TO COMPLETE
This is the fifth week of an 11 week term. Many classes have major assignments and tests to complete over the next five weeks. It is important that students take work home to revise the content and processes learnt at school. There will also be assignments and projects to complete.

UNIFORM
Our College Uniform has many elements that give students options for variation. Visitors to the school often comment on how practical it is and also very striking in appearance. It is important for parents to make every effort to ensure their child is in uniform as we are coming to the end of the year. The Uniform Shop can be opened upon request at the school main office during school hours. Orders can also be arranged over the phone if this is an easier option. If a student in Year 10 is having difficulties with their uniform, parents should contact Mr Dreyer.

LEADERSHIP – YEAR 9
Tomorrow, Friday, 6th November, approximately twenty Year 9 students will attend a Leadership Day held in Mildura. These students will gain knowledge and skills to help them in leadership roles within the school and the general community. Congratulations to the newly elected 2016 House Leaders. On 10th December there will be a hand over ceremony where the current Year 10 House Leaders incumbent the 2016 leaders during our final assembly this year. The process for selection of Student Representative Council (SRC) Executive Positions for 2016 will start in mid-November. Mr Rhodes will be coordinating this process.

YEAR 10 GRADUATION
The Year 10 Graduation will be held at Club Da Vinci on Friday, 4th December from 6.00-10.30pm. Tickets will be on sale from Monday, 2nd November. 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

STATE LEVEL SPORTS REPORT
We extend our congratulations and good luck to our Girls Hockey and Cricket Teams. They have won their way through to the State. Mrs Dawson and Ms Donnelly will be coaching the teams.

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE MERBEIN GOLF CLUB LADIES PAMPER PARTY PLAN NIGHT
To be held 7pm on 13th November at 355 McEdward Street, Cabarita. Tickets are $10, includes a glass of Champagne, nibbles and some pampering from our party planners from head to foot. Party planners attending are Tupperware, The Body Shop, Lorraine Lea Linen, LeReve, Nutricia, Jamberry, PartyLite, Your Inspiration at Home and Norwex. To book your tickets contact the Merbein Golf Club on 50256421 or purchase on the night.

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 Nowangi Place (Mildura Riverfront) from 5pm onwards.

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 Nowangi 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.
**SUNITAFE 2016 CREATIVE ARTS COURSE STUDY INTERVIEWS**  
Will be held 26th November from 11am to 3pm.  
Contact: Hannah Burke (03)5022 3673.  
Students must show a current portfolio of work.  

**SUNRAYSIA 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.  

**MUSIC TOGETHER IN MERBEIN**  
Register now for a special free trial class to be held at the free trial classes in Mildura 13th November at 10am and 11am.  
Music Together is a research based developmental music program for children aged 0-5 years and their grownups.  
All families are invited to come along, sing, dance, play and be a little bit silly in a fantastic community atmosphere!  
Regular classes held Thursday 9.30am in Merbein.  
Please call Catherine Threlfall from Sunraysia Arts and Learning on 0420939229 or visit the website www.sunraysiaartsandlearning.com.au.  

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**HOUSE OF BOUNCE FUNDRAISER**  
MISFITS, a Relay for Life Team is holding a fundraiser on 9th November at House of Bounce, Mildura from 4pm-8pm.  
For every bouncer, House of Bounce will donate $3 to our team.  
Please book online and sign the waiver at https://www.bookitlive.net/index.php?fbook%2Fhouseofbounce#  
Come along and wear the kids out, whilst supporting our Relay for Life Team and cancer research/support.  
Help us celebrate cancer survivors, remember those lost and fight back against the disease by raising important funds.