



# WHAT'S ON NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Weeks 6 and 7 (Monday 3 June – Sunday 16 June)

## IMPORTANT NEWS

### 2025 Enrolment Process

Please note that Mrs Masters has commenced enrolment interviews for 2025. If you are interested in submitting an enrolment application, please follow the link <https://www.merici.act.edu.au/enrolment>. Please ensure that all supporting documentation is uploaded as required. Documentation includes:

- Birth certificate (not commemorative) or passport.
- Certificate of Baptism (if applicable).
- **Last report from previous school (This documentation is required for all applications at Merici College.)**
- Family Law, Personal Protection Order or Other Relevant Court Orders (if applicable)
- Visa grant notice for permanent and temporary visa-holders (if applicable) – for both student and parent(s) / legal guardian(s)
- Any medical reports and/or other assessment reports for students with additional learning needs (if applicable).

If your daughter is currently attending Year 6 at one of our Catholic Education (CE) primary schools, please ensure that the information entered on the College enrolment application is the same as the information you have previously provided when enrolling your daughter at their primary school. (For example, residential address, email, telephone number).

After your application is submitted, please contact Narelle Patrick, Enrolments Officer, on telephone 62434150 or email [narelle.patrick@merici.act.edu.au](mailto:narelle.patrick@merici.act.edu.au). Narelle will then schedule an interview for your family to meet with Mrs Masters at a mutually convenient time.

### Year 11 2025 - Senior College at Merici

Year 10 parents and students, please note that it is **not** necessary to re-enrol your daughter Year 11 at Merici. Your daughter's enrolment will automatically continue.

### Staff Movements

We would like to welcome new staff members Ms Chamodya de Silva and Mr Louis both teaching Science. We would also like to farewell Mr Damien King, Hospitality Teacher and wish Mr King all the best for the future. We would also like to advise that Mrs Kate Durham is currently away from the office and will return in Week 9. Mr Rohan Langford will act in Mrs Durham's position as Assistant Principal Wellbeing.

## WHOLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

### Ningil House Week (Monday 3 June – Friday 7 June)

Celebrating everything Ningil and supporting our charity run by the Presentation Sisters. This charity is based in PNG and supports to educate women and children who experience domestic violence.

- Monday- Liturgy in the auditorium at 8:45am during PC on 3 June
- Tuesday PC- Captains Trivia – Room 208 or PC rooms
- Tuesday lunch- Red Food Frenzy - cake stall in new quad

- Wednesday- Vinnies Can line
- Thursday recess- Ningil meet in Room 208 at recess for Ningil Cupcakes.

### P&F Committee Trivia Night –Thursday 5 September

The Merici College P&F Committee are excited to share an evening of trivia with you to be held on Thursday 5 September. A fun night of trivia! Great prizes, silent auction and raffles!

We would love to receive any donations that you may be able to provide as part of Trivia prizes. We would welcome gift vouchers, goods, services, any other items that can be used. In appreciation of your support, you and/or your business will be acknowledged, and your logo displayed on our school website and social media networks. Please contact Ros Parisi ([ros.parisi@merici.act.edu.au](mailto:ros.parisi@merici.act.edu.au)) for information. Thank you to many of our families that have donated items! Your support is greatly appreciated.



## YEARS 10, 11 and 12 NEWS

### Year 10 Exams (Wednesday 5 June and Thursday 6 June)

Year 10 will sit their Semester 1 exams on Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 June. The exams will be held in the College Auditorium. The timings of the days will be as follows:

#### Wednesday 5 June:

Periods 1 and 2	English Exam
Recess	
Periods 3 and 4	Classes as per normal timetable
Lunch	
Periods 5 and 6	Maths Exam

#### Thursday 6 June:

Periods 1 and 2	Science Exam
Recess	
Periods 3 and 4	Classes as per normal timetable
Lunch	
Periods 5 and 6	RE Exam

## Year 11 and 12 BSSS Exams (Friday 7 June – Friday 14 June)

Year 11 and 12 BSSS students will sit their end of Semester 1 Exams on Friday 7 June and between Tuesday 11 June to Friday 14 June in the College Auditorium. Students have been emailed their individual timetables. Students are expected to attend all exams. They are not required to be at school outside of their exams.

No BSSS classes will run during this week. If students are unable to attend exams, medical certificates are required to cover any absences to avoid academic penalties.

The last day for school attendance for Year 11 and 12 BSSS students is **Monday 17 June**.

## Year 11 2025 Subject Selections due by Friday 28 June

Year 10 students have received an email with their link to their subject selections for Year 11 2025. Students will need to enter their study package (BSSS or IB) as well as their individual subjects. Students are encouraged to speak with their teachers about subjects of interest to them and read through their Senior Subject Handbooks given out in their information pack at the Information Evening.

Students are asked to enter their subject choices by Friday 28 June. Their selections will then be discussed at their individual transitions meetings that are being held until the end of Term 2.

## Senior Scholarship Applications now open

Merici College has a range of scholarships available to support the talents and educational achievements of our girls. We currently have scholarships available for Year 7 students, Year 12 Vocational Education and Training Scholarship for current Year 11 students, and Scholarships for current Year 10 Students and future Year 11/12 Students.

Formal Letter of Application: Students are to submit their application of 500 words or less which outlines their achievements in the scholarship categories, nominating a category/ies as appropriate.

Applications due: 1 July

Addressed to: The Principal, Merici College, Wise Street, Braddon, ACT, 2612

Announcement: Term 3

To find out more, please visit <https://merici.college/scholarships>.

## HEAD OF MISSION AND COMMUNITY

### Push-Up Challenge 2024

Our names are Holly and Jess, and we are your student ambassadors for the Push Up Challenge in 2024! Registrations are open and we're back again to promote mental health at Merici and have fun while doing it!

We're getting involved in The Push-Up Challenge from 5-28 June 2024 and would love you to join us.



The Challenge is to complete 3,249 push-ups (or 1,625 if you choose the half target) in 24 days to raise awareness and funds for mental health. This represents the 3,249 people who died by suicide in Australia in 2022 (the most recent stats), which is why we want to push for better, and hope you will too.

Sound like too many push-ups? No worries, you can do the half target and substitute push-ups for alternative exercises, like squats and sit-ups.

It's free to take part and there's an app where you get daily targets and mental health facts, track your progress, and can check out our collective stats.

We have created a community, which is a group of Teams all participating in The Push-Up Challenge and pushing together. By joining our community as part of a team which are done by your PC's, we'll be able to track our collective stats, as well as see our own personal leader board for Teams and individuals.

To join us, join your PC through our Community page:

<https://www.thepushupchallenge.com.au/fundraisers/MericiCollege>.

We hope you and your crew can join us in the push for better mental health!

We'll be talking more about this at assemblies and even some competitions with prizes up for grabs! We would love to see all of you registered this year! Head to The Push-Up Challenge website or flick me or Jess a message if you have any questions.

Holly & Jess

## LANGUAGES NEWS

### French Study Tour 2025 – Expression of Interest: First Deposit.

Thank you for the parents and students who attended the Expression of Interest meeting on Tuesday 21 May. Thank you, also, to those parents/students who emailed Mr Battaglia indicating that they could not attend the meeting. This is a gentle reminder that the first deposit of \$1500 to secure a place on this tour, is due on Friday 7 June. If there is an issue with this date, please contact Mr Battaglia directly on email [Giuseppe.Battaglia@merici.act.edu.au](mailto:Giuseppe.Battaglia@merici.act.edu.au)



## CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

A call out to our community for unwanted *briefcases* needed for props in this year's Wakakirri performance. Please drop off at the front office. Your donation would be greatly appreciated.

### Showcase Semester 1 (Wednesday 19 June)

Please join us at our Creative and Performing Arts Showcase for Semester 1. The Showcase will commence at 5pm on Wednesday 19 June for refreshments and to view the outstanding work of our Photography, Visual Arts, Media, Design & Graphics and Textiles students, as well as exceptional performances of Dance, Music, Vocal and Drama students. The formal opening will commence at 6pm and conclude at 8pm. Please advise your attendance before Wednesday 12 June to assist with catering and seating here,

<https://events.humanitix.com/creative-and-performing-arts-showcase-semester-1>

## MERICI COLLEGE SHOWCASE 2024

Wednesday 19 June 2024

### Exhibition Opening

Refreshments 5.00pm-5.45pm, Auditorium Foyer

### Showcase

Exhibition and Performances 6pm-8pm, Auditorium

### RSVP for Exhibition Opening

<https://events.humanitix.com/creative-and-performing-arts-showcase-semester-1>



Dance | Photography | Visual Arts | Media | Design & Graphics | Music | Vocal | Drama | Textiles

## iC NEWS

With the continuation of the assessment period, it is timely to remind the community of the digital resources we have available through the iC. The iC has many quality resources that are current, relevant, authoritative and reliable.

Not only will you find hard copy books on the shelf within the iC, Merici College subscribe to a range of digital platforms for information and research; World Book Encyclopedia, Facts on File databases for; History, Geography, Science, Health, English and Religion, Journal Articles through Informit and reliable websites located through Oliver (library catalogue). All resources can be accessed through the Merici SEQTA home page.

Should your daughter be having difficulty finding information or writing a Reference list using the Merici Referencing Guide encourage her to visit the iC to talk to Mrs Blakey or iC staff.

Happy Researching!

iC Staff

## DEFENCE NEWS

The Defence Office is a welcome space for any Defence students. You are welcome to drop in at recess or lunch, except Wednesdays. If the door is opened please come in and say hello.

Defence families are always welcome to contact your Defence School Mentor (DSM) with any information regarding a new posting or absences impacting your family. [Kate.friend@merici.act.edu.au](mailto:Kate.friend@merici.act.edu.au) or ph 0262434190

### Upcoming Defence Events

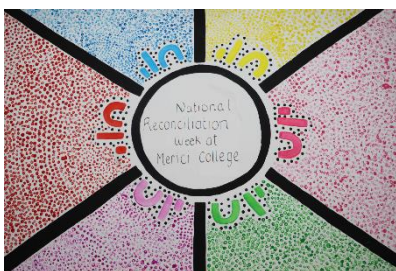
**Week 6** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, OYC, lunchtime.

Just Dance, bring a friend, bring your lunch and dance off any extra energy or stress about the upcoming exams and tests.

**Week 7** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, Defence drop-in room 222. Bring your lunch and pop in to say hello to your Defence friends. Snacks provided.

## NARRAGUNNAWALI

### Narragunnawali Newsletter Term 2



This week marks National Reconciliation Week, an important time on the calendar for all Australians. Reconciliation means forming a genuine bond between First Nations people and other Australians. Moving towards Reconciliation means acknowledging the actions and wrongdoings of the past and looking towards a more positive and inclusive future. Please click [here](#) to find our Narragunnawali newsletter which explores what Reconciliation is about and what Merici College have on offer for the week to get involved.

## OTHER NEWS

### ACT Sports Bulletin #8 2024

Please click [here](#) to find the latest School Sport ACT bulletin to keep our community up-to-date on school sport events in the ACT.