

Digital mentors help residents stay connected

The Service Learning Club is a new cocurricular activity at Meriden this year. It is a group focused on building and strengthening students' service opportunities and involvement in the wider community.

The focus this term for the Year 10 members of the club is to become a Digital Mentor through the "Be Connected" program. This is a government funded initiative to increase digital literacy among older Australians while fostering a sense of community and belonging. Meriden has partnered with the company I.T. Lady, which facilitated training for the students and will oversee the program.

In Week 1, the program began with students participating in an intensive training session to be equipped with the skills to become digital mentors.

During the rest of this term, the students are visiting Marian Court each week to mentor the residents with their IT needs and form a sense of connection and community.

Through the program, Meriden girls help Marian Court residents stay connected with friends and family, keep up to date with messages and news and take photos on their devices. It is a wonderful opportunity for girls to support the digital literacy of those in the community while forming inspirational connections with the residents at Marian Court.

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Meriden's first batch of accredited Digital Mentors



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