



Wednesday 21st April, 2010

Term 2 Week 1

## Term 2 Begins

Welcome back to School for the start of Term 2. We are looking forward to a very full Term with many events and activities including our upcoming College Expo on Saturday, 1st May and also preparation for and completion of the NAPLAN. Details for these events can be found on the back of this newsletter.

We are also anticipating the completion of our new Hall by the start of Term 3. The weather has been kind to the builders so we are very close to the original timetable for completion.

### Anzac Assembly and Holiday

Our Anzac Assembly for Middle School/Senior College is being held on Thursday 22nd April from 10.20am in our Middle School Bldgs. The Anzac holiday is on Monday, 26th April for all staff and students.

### Winter Uniforms

Please note that all students should be wearing full winter uniform for Terms 2 and 3. This means long trousers for boys, ties and tab ties for all, and blazers to and from School for Seniors.



## Upcoming Events

### Thursday 22nd April

ANZAC Assembly for Middle School/Senior College at 10.20am in Middle School Bldg, parents welcome.

### Friday 23rd April

- Boys and Girls State Basketball Cambridge Park
- CIS U16's Hockey Trials and Open Volleyball Trials

### Monday 26th April

Anzac Day Holiday

### Tuesday 27th April

CIS Touch Trials

### Saturday 1st May

Cedars Expo 11am - 2pm

### Monday 3rd May—Wed 5th May

Careers Expo for Years 10 and 12

### Friday 7th May

State Cross Country Primary and Secondary, Eastern Creek own transport

### Tues 11th May, Wed 12th May, Thurs 13th May

NAPLAN for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.



## Prayer Points

### We want to praise God for:

- A wonderful, restful break for students and staff.
- A great start to Term 2.

### Bible Verse for the Week

*"Praise the LORD!*

*How joyful are those who fear the LORD and delight in obeying his commands. Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed."*

Psalm 112:1-2

### We also want to pray for:

- Fantastic weather to continue for the construction of the new Hall and for our College Expo.
- Safety and success at all our upcoming sporting events.



## Parent Participation Scheme Opportunities

### Cedars Expo - P&F BBQ

Our P&F are organising the bbq for next week's Expo on Saturday, 1st May. If you are able to contribute some hours to help out with the bbq please call Sandra in the Office on 42 71 8124; your help would be greatly appreciated and would go towards your PPS hours.

### P&F Meetings

Did you know that just by attending our P&F Meetings, you can add to your PPS hours? Why not come and be a part of one or more meetings this year; see the back of this newsletter for the dates; it's a wonderful way to be involved in our School community.



## Canteen Roster

Mon 26th April	Holiday
Tues 27th April	Kristy Boswell
Wed 28th April	Leonie Bere
Thurs 29th April	Linda Johnston
Friday 30th April	Terina White Rachel

**Please Note: Potato Smiles are no longer available.**

## National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2010

In May 2010 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.

The results of the NAPLAN tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the agreed national minimum standard.

The tests will be conducted across Australia on the same days for all students according to the following timetable:

### Tuesday 11 May

- Language Conventions test (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) and a separate Writing test.

### Wednesday 12 May

- Reading test

### Thursday 13 May

- Numeracy test (Number, Algebra, function and pattern; Measurement, Chance and data; and Space)

Additional information for parents about the National Assessment Program can be found on this website: <http://www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html> Parents of students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 should have received a NAPLAN information letter. If you have not received the letter please contact the School.

## Homework Express

Homework Express is an after school homework centre held here at Cedars every Wednesday from 3.20-4.15pm. Students are assisted with homework, revision of literacy and numeracy basics, organisational strategies, study skills, exam technique and NAPLAN practice depending on their individual needs.

Homework Express is a great opportunity for students to complete homework with assistance from teachers, in a supportive environment. It also has the added benefit of being stress-free for parents!

Each session is held in the School Library and commences with a light refreshment and concludes at 4.15pm. If you would like your child to attend, please contact the School on 42 718124 and speak to Lukas Matysek or Sue Walker.

## Cedars' Umbrellas Available Now!

Cedars' large golf umbrellas are now available for purchase for only \$30. White and maroon with 2 panels displaying our College logo; they can be viewed in our main office.

Call Sandra on 42 71 8124 if you would like to purchase one. We have less than 50 available so get your order in quickly.



Please make sure you invite friends and family to come visit our School at our upcoming Expo. We are anticipating beautiful weather to enjoy our students' music talent, the many Sub School displays and activities including a surprise Big Science demonstration down on the Oval. A bbq will also be cooking down on the Oval with plenty of sausages for everyone.

## P & F News

### Easter Chocolate

A reminder that all money collected from our Easter Chocolate fundraising drive needs to be back into the School Office by this Friday.

### Dates for Upcoming P&F Meetings and Trivia Night:

- Tues 4th May 7.30
- Tues 8th June 7.00 - 8.30pm (Special speaker on Cyber Bullying)
- Tues 3rd August 7.30
- Tues 7th September 7.30
- Tues 9th November 7.30
- **Trivia Night: September 18th - book it in!**

## Ride Around the Lake Saturday, 8th May 2010

Ride, Sponsor or Volunteer - help raise funds for MS and My Place Housing. For further information on how to be a part of this exciting event go to:

[www.ridearoundthelake.org.au](http://www.ridearoundthelake.org.au)

## Reminder– Term 2 Fees

For those families paying their College fees by the term, the next payment is due this **Friday 23 April**. Please ensure that payment is made to the office or by BPay by this date. It is not too late to take advantage of the direct debit option for payment of your fees for the balance of the year. Should you wish to pursue this option, please contact Margaret Bill to organise the necessary forms.

## 2011 Enrolment Interviews

Interviews for Prep and Kindy 2011 are now beginning. If you have not put your application in yet now is the time! (Current Prep students do not require an interview for Kindy.)

If you know of any friends or family who are considering enrolling their children in Cedars, please encourage them to submit their application and invite them to our College Expo on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May. For more information on enrolling your child please call the College on 4271 8124.