



Term 4 Week 8

## Celebration Evening Wednesday December 8th

The Cedars Christian College annual Celebration service for Junior, Middle School and Senior College is being held on Wednesday December 8<sup>th</sup> at Figtree Anglican Church.

The evening has two services; one for Junior School beginning at 6.00pm and finishing at 7.00 pm and one for Middle/Senior College which begins at 7.30 and finishes at 9.00pm. Students will perform items and various awards will be handed out on this special evening.

## Year 7 Vaccinations

Nurses from The NSW Health Department will be visiting the school to conduct the following vaccinations for Yr 7 students; Injections for Varicella (Chicken Pox)

Follow up injections for the Hepatitis B Vaccination and The Human Papillomavirus Vaccination (HPV) for students who have already had the first injections. The nurses already have the cards and no further permission is required for this final dose.

The date for the vaccinations is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December . Please note that these injections are not compulsory and are provided as a service to the school community.



## Upcoming Events

### Thursday 2nd Dec

- End of Term Assemblies Junior School 9.25 - 10.15am; Middle/Senior 10.20am
- Canteen Treat Day
- Year 7 immunizations

### Friday 3rd Dec 9.30am-10.30, and Tues 7th Dec 2pm - 3

Yr 5/6 Swimming, Unanderra Pool

### Monday 6th December

Celebration Rehearsal FAC

### Wednesday 8th December

Cedars Celebration, Figtree Anglican Church - Junior School 6.00pm - 7.00pm; Middle/Senior College 7.30pm

### Term 1 2011

### Tuesday 1st February

Yr 1—12 Commences

### Thursday 3rd February

Kindy Commences

### Friday 4th February

Prep Commences



## Prayer Points

### We want to praise God for:

- A great week of work experience for Year 10.
- A fun day at Jamberoo Park for Yr 8 students

### Bible Verse for the Week

*"Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. <sup>13</sup> Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. <sup>14</sup> Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. "* **Colossians 3:12—15**

### We also want to pray for:

- A wonderful Celebration Service for all students, families and staff.



## Canteen Roster

Mon 6th Dec **Amanda Bexim**

Tues 7th Dec Help Needed

Wed 8th Dec Help Needed

Pupil Free

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For more information or to volunteer please phone Narelle Petrovski on 0418 685 802

## Parent Participation Scheme Opportunities

## Junior School - Help Needed

Junior School is in need of parent helpers for various jobs including helping to prepare costumes and props for the upcoming Celebration. If you are able to help and would like to put some hours on your PPS card before the end of Term, please phone the office on 42 718124.

## Cedars Uniform Shop

Please note the following hours of operation until the end of Term 4. Families will be notified of days the shop will be open over the holidays shortly. **Please make appointments by phoning the School office on 42 71 8124.**

**Wednesday:** 1st Dec, 2.30pm - 4.00pm

**Friday:** 3rd Dec, 8.30am - 11.30am

Eftpos facilities are available and it is preferred that all students are outfitted before the end of the school year. Online shopping will be available shortly and we will advise parents when this facility is up and running.

The shop can be accessed via the walkway to the left of the front of the school. **Please make sure you sign in at the front office prior to making your way to the shop.**

## DVD Orders for Celebration

DVD orders for this exciting night are now being taken so if you would like to order a copy of the Junior School or Middle/Senior College productions, please go to reception and fill out a form.

## Homework Express

Homework Express has finished for the year and will commence again in Week 2 of Term 2011. We trust you have found the experience beneficial for your children and look forward to seeing them again next year.

Thank you to the Cedars staff who gave of their time assist - Mr Seymour, Mr Matysek, Mrs McLaren, Mr Fedele & Mr Walton.

**Mrs Sue Walker**  
Deputy Principal Curriculum

## Music Lessons for 2011

Gateway Creative Arts Academy is currently taking enrolments for private lessons in Clarinet, Saxophone, Flute, Vocals, Trumpet, Trombone, Guitar and Piano.

Lessons will begin during school hours in Term 1, 2011. For more information, please contact Annette Collins - 0425 346 833

## Cedars Newsletter to go Paperless

A new initiative which Cedars will be introducing at the beginning of next year will be a paperless newsletter. The new look newsletter will reflect our commitment to reducing paper, and in doing so helping our environment whilst also cutting our printing costs.

If you already receive our newsletter weekly online you do not need to make any changes, but if you are receiving a hard copy at the moment, please email [mwest@cedars.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mwest@cedars.nsw.edu.au) with your email address or subscribe on line at [www.cedars.nsw.edu.au/newsletter.html](http://www.cedars.nsw.edu.au/newsletter.html).

Please feel free to email with any suggestions, ideas or concerns regarding the new procedure.

## Parent / Teacher Interviews

Parents are invited to contact the college to organise a parent / teacher interview for either Thursday 9th Dec or Friday 10th December. Staff will be available to meet with parents on Thursday or Friday morning.

## Term Dates for 2011

<b>Term 1 (10 weeks)</b>	Year 1 – 12 Commences	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February
	Kindy Commences	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February
	Prep Commences	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> February
	School Finishes	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April

<b>Term 2 (10 weeks)</b>	School Commences	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> April
	School Finishes	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July

<b>Term 3 (9 weeks)</b>	School Commences	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July
	School Finishes	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September

<b>Term 4 (9 weeks)</b>	School Commences	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October
	School Finishes	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
	Pupil Free Day	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December

## P & F Thank You

2010 has been a busy and rewarding time for the P & F. Fundraising has included our Easter Chocolate Drive, Pie Drive, Trivia Night and recently a successful Photo Day. Our annual Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls proved once again to be popular in Junior School. Thanks must go to Terina White for spending much time putting together each gift.

I would like to thank parents and the college community for contributing to the success of these events. Your support has enabled us to make significant purchases for our College. Early in the year we were able to assist in the purchase of lockers in Senior College and more recently purchased the seating for the new hall. We plan to make further contributions to this great facility.

Planning has begun for next year and I look forward to another year of working with families as we support the college together.

**Mrs Natalie Evans**  
**P&F President**

## Uniform Reminders

This is a reminder that all Senior College and Middle School students will need to have a pair of **black, lace-up, polishable, leather school shoes** for school in 2011. Black court shoes and black joggers are NOT acceptable uniform items. An example of an appropriate style for boys and girls is pictured below:



Students need to wear suitable sports shoes for Physical Education and Sport Days. Predominately **white joggers** (similar to those pictured below) are the only acceptable shoes. Skate shoes, Dunlop volleys, sandshoes, slip on shoes and any loose fitting shoes are not considered uniform and should not be worn.



It is expected that all students will have the correct uniform at the start of the school term in 2011 and students wearing non uniform items will be asked to replace them. Our uniform shop is now conveniently located on the college premises and opening hours are Wednesday 2:30pm – 4:00 pm and Friday 8:30am – 11:30am. Appointments are only necessary for full uniform fit outs.

**Mrs Julie Cochrane**  
**Middle School Welfare Coordinator**

## Building Levy

### What is it?

The Building Levy is a compulsory capital contribution (non tax deductible) of \$49 per term for 2011 and future years. The Board and Executive leadership of Cedars have introduced this fee to create funds for improvements to our school buildings and to furnish new classrooms and learning areas.

### Why the need?

There has always been a need to raise funds for Capital works and many parents have generously and faithfully contributed to our building fund in past years. The change reflects our need for a change in focus due to greater clarity over necessary capital development.

2010 has been a year of real growth and development on the Cedars site. It has been exciting to see new buildings and facilities established and these facilities have given us a platform for future development.

In the short term funds are required to complete the fit out of the Cedars Leadership Centre. We are organising digital projectors, performance lighting, screens, speakers and other items to be installed early in 2011 for the Centre in order to maximise its use as a performance space.

In the medium term we have received planning approval to build seminar rooms adjacent to the Cedars Leadership Centre. Our plan is to fund the construction of these rooms through a combination of grant funds and borrowings. The pool of funds raised by the capital levy will be used to fit out these rooms. We have also identified a need to improve and expand the number of classrooms and learning areas in our Junior School and the funds raised by the capital levy will be instrumental in achieving this.

Our longer term plans include the purchase of land adjacent to Coachwood avenue (we currently rent this land and house Senior College portables on it) from Wollongong City Council, and then to build permanent buildings on this land.

### How will it be managed?

The Board of the College is committed to protecting funds raised by the capital levy by allowing these funds to be only used for capital related works. Capital levy funds will be banked into a separate bank account and a detailed report will be provided to the Board on the usage of these funds.

### Why is the levy no longer tax deductible?

In past years we have asked our families to donate \$300 per annum to the Building Fund. The new reduced levy is not a donation and is therefore not tax deductible. If families want to continue to donate amounts above and separate to the levy they can be tax deductible. We are very grateful to our families who regularly give in this way and we encourage them to continue to take advantage of the tax benefits which are afforded to additional donations.

### Further Enquiries

Please contact Michael Ramsey College Business Manager if you would like further information or clarification in regards to this fee.



**Date: 9 November 2010**

Type of meeting: P&F – General Meeting

Note taker: K. Corbin

Attendees: Natalie Evans, Katie Corbin, Steve Walton, Renee Walton, Aaron Hudson, Leonie Bere, Denise Roper, Natalie Kukuruzovic, Annette Collins, Alison Abercrombie, Rebecca Furniss and Donna Tisma

Apologies: Julie Reynolds

### Agenda

### Office Holders

### Contact Details

Opening prayer and Apologies	Natalie Evans	1	President	Natalie Evans	0438 627 630
Agenda Items	Natalie Evans	2	Vice President	Leonie Bere	0411 316 691
Principal's Report	Steve Walton	3	Treasurer	Denise Roper	
General Business	Natalie Evans	4	Secretary	Katie Corbin	0434 146 572
Close in Prayer			Parent Issue Assist	Chrissy Wynne	0409-668-697

### Meeting Details

**Resolution Key: P:(Proposed)/S:(Seconded)**

1	Open in Prayer; Natalie Evans
2	<p>Year in review – fundraising;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Chocolate fundraiser</li> <li>b. Mothers and father's day stalls</li> <li>c. Pie drive</li> <li>d. Photos</li> <li>e. Trivia night</li> </ul> <p>Finances – Denise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>f. P&amp;F contributed to Chairs for the new hall &amp; new lockers this year.</li> <li>g. Contributions sought for data projector &amp; screen for the new hall. Quotes to be obtained for new AV Equipment. Vote – yes to contributing funds.</li> </ul>
3	<p>Principals Report – Steve Walton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Thanks to P&amp;F executive for a very busy productive year.</li> <li>b) Things happening at present include, new hall open and in use for HSC &amp; indoor sports. Japanese visitors at school at the moment. Five staff are being awarded peer recognition awards at the ACE Awards, Renee Walton, Ben Carden, Sally Walton, Brad Kelly and Steve Seymour</li> <li>c) Uniform shop is due to open next week, it is proposed to be open for one morning and one afternoon per week.</li> <li>d) School Survey's have been returned. 20% were returned to the school, management is looking at them, and there is lots of information, there is both constructive criticism and positive comments. Information will be well used.</li> <li>e) School students from years 5-12 have participated in emotional wellbeing survey's. These are geared at having the students understand mental illness and spiritual health.</li> <li>f) Tour of new buildings.</li> <li>g) Start of school year is 1<sup>st</sup> February 2011. The first P&amp;F meeting to occur on 15<sup>th</sup> February – planning for the year and for twilight supper.</li> <li>h) Twilight supper and P&amp;F AGM to be held 15<sup>th</sup> March 2011.</li> </ul>
4	a. Next meeting 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2011.
5	a. Close meeting in prayer.
6	a. Meeting closed at approx. 8.26 pm.