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# Cedars Expo

**Saturday May 14**

**11am - 2pm**



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# NEWS & NOTICES

## We invite you to Cedars Expo

Saturday May 14  
11am - 2pm



Kimberley - Former Student Shenoah - Year 3

Come find out why families  
*Love Cedars!*

Demonstrations, displays, performances, enrolment information, activities for the kids and a free BBQ lunch.



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## CEDARS EXPO - DON'T MISS IT!

This Saturday our College will come to life from 11.00am - 2.00pm as we show off our school to the community.

As well as displays in each classroom, we will have a very special performing arts program on the Oval. Please see the program below and invite as many friends as possible. There is a special prize draw of a \$50 Westfield gift certificate for College families who bring friends along.

11.00am	Tours begin every 15 min
12.30pm	Lunch and Live Music BBQ on the Oval
1.00 - 1.20	Big Science on the Oval Lunch continues with back ground music
1.20pm	Senior College Music Item Middle School Verse Speaking Junior School Choir Middle School Dance Item Middle School Music Item Band Ensembles Middle School Verse Speaking Junior School Violinists
2.00pm	Closing

## ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR 2012

**Cedars is now taking applications for enrolments for 2012.**

**Enrolment Interviews will have commenced this Term. If you have not put your application in yet now is the time!**

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 14th May.

For more information on enrolling your child please call the College on 4271 8124.

# NOTICES



## WINTER UNIFORMS

All students need to be dressed in full winter uniform for Terms 2 & 3. There have been a couple of areas that parents have asked to be clarified:

- Navy trousers are acceptable uniform items for Middle School Girls in Terms 2 & 3.
- Navy Jumpers are not to be worn as part of the sport uniform. Tracksuit Jackets are the only accepted uniform for cold weather for sport, carnivals and gala days.
- Navy tights are to be worn by girls not black. These are available at the uniform shop.

**Uniform Shop Trading Hours are:**  
**Wednesdays: 2.30pm - 4.00pm**

## LEARNING SUPPORT

As part of our commitment to excellence in Teaching and Learning at Cedars Christian College we assess the progress of all our students in Literacy and Numeracy continually. Each year in conjunction with curriculum based assessment, students in Years 3,5,7,9 also participate in NAPLAN tests. During the same week that NAPLAN is taking place Kindergarten, Years 1,2,4, and 6 participate in school based standardised testing in Literacy and Numeracy. This assessment enables our Educational Support Team to be proactive in providing Learning Support for all our students' needs.

If you have any questions regarding Learning Support please contact your child's classroom teacher.

**Mrs Jessica Mc Laren**  
**Educational Support Coordinator**

## SAFETY IN CAR PARK

Students are reminded that the car park is out of bounds at all times. This is for their safety.

If students are meeting parents in the car park or exiting the school through the gate at the bottom of the car park, they must remain on the path. I would also like to ask all drivers to be extremely careful, especially at the beginning and end of each day.

**Mr Steven Walton**  
**Deputy Principal**

## BOOK CLUB

In the past, titles in the Scholastic Book Club brochures that were deemed inappropriate for the College to support, were crossed out and made unavailable for purchase. This is no longer done.

It has become a huge task to do this and very time consuming in trying to decide what to exclude. Rather than continue this practice, the College will leave it to parents to decide on appropriate reading material for their own children. Please scrutinise carefully your children's choices as some publications may present a world view that is not inline with the Christian world view we support at Cedars.

**Mrs Sheree Pupovac**  
**Teacher Librarian**

## CANTEEN ROSTER

DATE	STAFF
16/5/2011	Janet Owen
17/5/2011	Help Needed
18/5/2011	Terina White
19/5/2011	Fiona Cetinski
20/5/2011	Carol Hutchinson

*For information or to volunteer, please phone Narelle on 0418 685 802.*

## PARENT PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

### CANTEEN

**Narelle, our Canteen Manager, is always looking for help from parents to work in the Canteen. This is a great opportunity to add to your PPS hours and is a lot of fun!**

**Call Narelle on 0418 685 802 to book in a day or two to help out at the Canteen.**

# PHOTO DAY

## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2011

We are off to a great start for Photo Day with many orders already handed in. All orders must be handed in to the class teacher by Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>. Sibling photo envelopes are available at both school offices. For sibling photo orders, only one envelope per family is required. Please find below a few reminders.

- All photos will be taken in the Cedars Leadership Centre.
- All students must come to school ready in winter uniform and prepared to have their photo taken, even if photos are not being purchased.
- Refer to the Parent Reference Handbook for uniform requirements.
- Hair for boys and girls must be neat and tidy.
- All girls are asked to wear **short white socks** for uniformity in group photos. Socks must be folded down – above the ankle style. **No tights** are to be worn on School Photo Day.

## PHOTO DAY SCHEDULE

7.00am	<i>Photographers will arrive and start setting up</i>
8.00am	Staff photos
8.45am	School Captains
9.00am	Prep
9.15am	K Barton
9.30am	K Watson
9.45am	1 Deakin
10.00am	1 Holt
10.15am	2 Cook
10.30am	2 Reid
10.45am	3 Fisher
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>RECESS</b>
11.10am	Family/Sibling Photos
11.30am	3 Hughes
11.45am	4 Bruce
11.55am	4 Chifley
12.05pm	5 S
12.15pm	5/6 R
12.25pm	6 W
12.35pm	Year 7
12.45pm	Year 8
1.55pm	Year 9
1.10pm	Year 10
<b>1.20pm</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
1.40pm	Family/Sibling Photos
2.00pm	Year 11
2.15pm	Year 12
2.25pm	SLC
2.35pm	Year 11 Leaders
2.45pm	House Captains
2.55pm	Year 12 Muck Up

# ARTICLES

## PRINCIPLES FOR HELPING YOUR CHILDREN THRIVE

Recently I was reading an article written by Michael Gorse who has a Masters in Educational Studies and is the author of 8 parenting books. In this article Michael outlined five principles for helping children and young people thrive. I found them very relevant and interesting so I thought I would share them with you.

1. The Self-Sufficiency Principle: **Develop self sufficiency in kids from the earliest possible age.** My mentor in parenting used to tell students in his Psychology lectures, "Never regularly do for children the things they can do for themselves." This became a type of mantra that he drummed into his students. This message is one that resonated strongly

with me, and two decades later it's more pertinent than ever.

2. The problem: Ownership Principle: **He, who owns a problem, solves a problem.** Some kids are adept at making their own problems, their parents and their teacher's problems as well. There is nothing wrong with that to a point, as a problem shared is a problem halved. In some cases, they don't even share the problem; they put some issues solely on parents' and teachers' laps to sort out. Encourage kids to work through their own problems, coming to you for help when the struggle is too great.
3. The Choice Principle: **You can choose how you act, think and behave.** This is a powerful principle that needs to be embraced by adults and children alike. We all have a choice how we respond to situations and events. We are not the victims of circumstances, or prisoners to the past. Kids can choose to be happy or choose to be grumpy. They can choose to like a gift from a relative or they can dislike it. Making good choices is the ultimate in personal

responsibility.

4. The Adaptability Principle: **It's better to help kids adapt to situations, rather than change situations to suit them.** Children and young people are frequently placed in situations that are not to their liking. They may have a teacher for a year who they don't enjoy; play in a sports team that always loses; or eat food they are not used to on a school camp. Children are adept at pestering their parents to rescue them or change a situation so that it suits them. It's far better for kids to cope with these situations themselves.
5. The Teaching Principle: **Teachers and parents need to be on the lookout for teachable moments when they work with kids.** These teachable moments are often disguised as problems or difficulties that kids face such as handling disappointment, dealing with a failure or coping with a friend moving away. The job of teachers and parents is to use these little moments as opportunities for kids to grow and learn.

You can check out more of what Michael has to say by going to his website:

[www.parentingideas.com.au](http://www.parentingideas.com.au)

**Mrs Carol Ramsey  
Chaplain**



# UPCOMING EVENTS



## TUES MAY 10 - WED MAY 11

Illawarra Careers Expo

## TUES MAY 10 - THURS MAY 12

NAPLAN - Years 3, 5, 7 and 9

## THURSDAY MAY 12

Year 11 Geography Excursion

## SATURDAY MAY 14

Cedars EXPO 11.00am - 2.00pm

## TUESDAY MAY 17

Photo Day

## MONDAY MAY 23 TO FRIDAY MAY 27

Mid Year Exams Years 7 - 10

## WEDNESDAY MAY 25

Year 11 and 12 Parent Interviews

## FRIDAY MAY 27

Primary Athletics Carnival

## MONDAY MAY 30

Secondary Athletics Carnival

# PRAYER POINTS



## WE ARE THANKFUL TO GOD FOR:

- Parents who go out of their way to help out in so many different areas of our school community.
- The many students who are giving of their time to help at the Expo on Saturday.

## WE ARE ASKING GOD FOR:

- A beautiful day for our Expo on Saturday.
- To be with and help our Secondary students as they prepare for their mid year exams.

## BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK:

*"So we have not stopped praying for you since we first heard about you. We ask God to give you complete knowledge of his will and to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding. Then the way you live will always honor and please the Lord, and your lives will produce every kind of good fruit. All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better." Colossians 1:9-10*

# PHOTOS

## 30TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND CLC OPENING



# NOTICES

## **LEGO® Extravaganza and Competition - Saturday 21 May 11am – 4pm**

Uni of Wollongong McKinnon Building. Free Parking (Area P3 off Northfields Ave)

Make your own LEGO® creation and enter it into our competition for great prizes. Categories:

Categories: Under 7: "Playground" 8-12 yrs: "Transport" 13+: "The Unknown"  
All Age I: "Open" All Age II: "Mindstorms® Creations"

Entries need to be registered on our website by 18/5/11 and delivered by 11:30 on Saturday 21st.

See your creations and some truly *incredible LEGO® models* at our Extravaganza.

FIRST LEGO® League (FLL) robot tournament and information. LEGO® play area. BBQ.

Entry by donation: \$5/person, \$10/family More info at [www.robokids.info](http://www.robokids.info)

Presented by Project Bucephalus, Wollongong's own Australian FLL champions.

## **IMD 2011 "GREAT RACE"**

>> 6 Continents >> 6 Stations

### **YOUTH EVENT**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
**6:30 – 9:30 pm**

**\$5 at the door**

**UOW [67]**



### **OPEN EVENT**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May**  
**– 3:30 pm**

**\$25 adult, \$20 Student**

**ALFRED OLWA - (Uganda)**

Come as a group (bible study etc)

**REGISTER TODAY OR ONLINE [www.imd.org.au](http://www.imd.org.au)**

# **FAITH IN ACTION**