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FROM **THE PRINCIPAL**

Term 1, Week 2 - February 7, 2020

Welcome to a New School Year

There's always a lot of excitement about the new school year. Uniforms are new, classrooms are new, stationery and lunch boxes are new! We have new teachers, new subjects, new responsibilities, and even new buildings! There's so much enthusiasm and potential in all of this newness, as we make a fresh start to the year.

A new year also gives us, as a school, the opportunity to try some new ideas. Our Primary School Meet the Teacher night was one such opportunity. We hoped the evening would be a time of community and connection as we welcomed families to Cedar College. The new format, this week, enabled us to do just that. It was lovely to see families enjoying time together around the sausage sizzle and coffee van, meeting other families, and visiting their child's class teacher and specialist teachers in their learning areas.

The new Science, Art and CLIC facility was a highlight of the evening for many. The front page of our first newsletter of 2019 featured a photo of the ground being excavated in preparation for the new building works. Fast forward 12 months and we have now moved into the new facility, with its growing garden, Nature Play areas, and green lawns, all at the centre of the Primary School. We're excited to see our students use this new facility as they investigate Science, explore the Arts, and grow more confident in their learning in the new CLIC areas.

In the High School, families of our Year 7-10 students have the opportunity to meet their teachers this coming Monday night. A sausage sizzle will be provided for our Year 7 families, as we welcome them to High School. It's wonderful to see that the sense of community will continue through the High School years at Cedar College.

There are many opportunities for families to be involved at Cedar, with chapels, assemblies, sports days and many other events held throughout the year. **So as we enter this new year together as a community, let's enjoy the journey and continue to discover Jesus, display love and develop self.**

Mr Peter Thomson, Principal



Photo: Welcoming students and parents at the Primary School Assembly.

A guide to major events this term

Please see our fortnightly online newsletters, Term Planner or online calendar for the latest details.

Dates are subject to change.

FEB 10 High School Yr 7-10 Info Night
6:30pm - 8:30pm, begins in Auditorium

FEB 12 Year 11 Drama Excursion
2:15pm - 5:45pm

FEB 21 Veta Morphus Retreat
February 21 - February 23

FEB 26 Year 11 Health Excursion
All day, Wednesday

FEB 26 Year 8 Immunisations
All students in Year 8

FEB 27 Year 7s Time Management
All day, Thursday

MAR 2 Year 8G Home Ec Meal
by Invitation

MAR 3 HS SACSA Swimming Carnival
All day, Tuesday

MAR 4 High School Tours
9:15am - 11am

MAR 4 Year 8E Home Ec Meal
by Invitation

MAR 6 High School Sports Day
All day, Friday

MAR 13 Year 8L Home Ec Meal
by Invitation

MAR 25 Year 7 Camp
Wed. March 25 - Friday March 27

MAR 31 HS SACSA Athletics Carnival
All day, Tuesday

APR 1 Year 8 Camp
Wednesday April 1 - Friday April 3

APR 1 Year 9 Camp
Wednesday April 1 - Friday April 3

APR 6 HS SSSA Athletics Carnival
All day, Monday

APR 9 HS Easter Chapel
Thursday afternoon

APR 9 Last day of Term 1
Students 7-12 finish at 3:20pm

Celebrating Academic Success

The High School Academic Assembly, was held on Monday of this week, to celebrate the academic successes of the Year 12 Class of 2019.



It was exciting to welcome back and connect with a number of our our Year 12 graduates, before they begin their university studies.

The 2019 Year 12 cohort achieved excellent Stage 2 results and **96% of our students who applied for a university course received a first-round offer.** Of these students, the majority were offered their first preference. It is pleasing to see that a very high percentage of our students are progressing on to their desired university and career pathways.

We also recognised our 2019 Dux, Georgia, who received an ATAR of 97.00 and A+ grade in both Health and the Research Project. During the Assembly, our Dux and Runner-up Dux were able to impart some good advice for achieving success to our current student cohort. A complete report of our 2019 Academic results will be sent to all families.

We look forward to hearing further from our 2019 graduates throughout the year, and seeing our Class of 2020 continue the excellent standard that their predecessors have set before them.

SACE Merit Ceremony

It was a pleasure to celebrate the academic achievements of South Australia's highest achieving Year 12 students from 2019, recognised at the SACE Merit Ceremony on Tuesday 4th February.

The annual ceremony was held at Government House with the Hon. John Gardner MP, Minister for Education, and the Hon. Hieu Van Le AC, Governor of South Australia, in attendance.

Cedar College had two students recognised for their achievements.



Taylor (pictured) achieved a Merit in General Mathematics, and **Kiara Solly** achieved a Merit in Child Studies. We are incredibly

proud of these students, who have received well-deserved recognition for their outstanding efforts in 2019. Well done Taylor and Kiara!

Mr Andrew Lock, Head of High School



Research Project Success

At our Academic Assembly, 21 of our current Year 12 students were recognised for having achieved an A grade in the Stage 2 Research Project.

The Research Project is a compulsory part of the SACE. At Cedar College this is undertaken by students during Year 11, giving them greater time to focus on their other subjects in Year 12.

Achieving excellent results in the Research Project contributes towards our students' Year 12 success, and the likelihood of a higher ATAR outcome at the end of the year.

Planting, Growing, Learning

Most of our Primary School families would have had the opportunity to view the newly opened Science, Art and CLIC facility, but the learning areas are not just indoors.



An important part of the new facility has been its proximity and extension into the surrounding Nature Play, sensory garden and green areas.

Much of the planning, and planting, took place before students returned for the new year, with the overall concept managed by Cedar Board Chair, Mr Lou George. However, when it came to planning some of the new garden areas, Mr George called on the skills of one of our 2019 graduates, Jemima.

Jemima focused on landscape design during her Year 12 studies last year, and achieved an A+ grade for Visual Arts – Design. Jemima has been accepted into a Bachelor of Interior Architecture Degree at the University of South Australia. She not only designed some of the outdoor areas, including the plant selection, during the Christmas holidays, but helped out with the planting, along with Year 9 student, Jonathan.

The Nature Play and garden areas are valuable learning tools for our Primary School students, and now include the benefits of a new shade covering, more trees and plants, plus close access to the new Junior Primary toilets. There's even more to come in this space, and we're looking forward to seeing students enjoy their time playing and learning throughout the year.



PRIMARY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The Primary School Assemblies and Chapel times are held on Friday mornings at 8:55am. Parents, caregivers and friends are welcome to attend. **Coffee and tea** is available before Assembly and Chapel in The Terrace, just outside of the Auditorium.

Term 1, 2020

Wk 2: Year 5	Wk 7: Sports Day
Wk 3: Chapel	Wk 8: Year 1
Wk 4: Year 2	Wk 9: Chapel
Wk 5: Chapel	Wk 10: Year 6
Wk 6: Year 4	Wk 11: Good Friday

Lights, Camel Action! video

A number of parents expressed interest in obtaining the Lights, Camel Action! video from the Junior Primary Celebration Evening.



The video will be made available for a small cost, to cover the licensing fee and further

details will be emailed next week to those parents who requested copies.

PRIMARY SCHOOL EVENTS

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Dates are subject to change.

FEB 7 **Year 5 Assembly**
8:50am - 9:25am, Auditorium

FEB 13 **Year 3 Excursion**
Thursday, 9am - 10am

FEB 21 **Year 2 Assembly**
8:50am - 9:25am, Auditorium

MAR 3 **Primary School Tours**
9:15am - 11am

MAR 4 **Year 5 Camp**
Wednesday March 4 - Friday March 6

MAR 5 **Reception Excursion**
9am - 10:45am

MAR 6 **Year 4 Assembly**
8:50am - 9:25am, Auditorium

MAR 9 **Public Holiday**
Adelaide Cup

MAR 10 **Year 3-6 200m Races**
8:50am - 9:25am

MAR 11 **Year 3-4 400m/800m Races**
8:50am - 9:25am

MAR 11 **Year 6 Twilight Tours**
Wednesday evening, starts 6pm

MAR 12 **Year 5-6 800m Races**
8:50am - 9:25am

MAR 13 **Upper Primary Sports Day**
Parents & friends welcome

MAR 20 **Year 1 Assembly**
8:50am - 9:25am, Auditorium

MAR 23 **PS Parent-Teacher Interviews**
In classrooms, book online

MAR 24 **PS Parent-Teacher Interviews**
In classrooms, book online

APR 3 **Year 6 Assembly**
8:50am - 9:25am, Auditorium

APR 9 **Last day of Term 1**
Students R-6 finish at 3:15pm

APR 10 **Good Friday**
Public Holiday

CedarNews Print Edition

Welcome to the Term 1 print issue of CedarNews.

The first newsletter of each term is sent home as a printed issue, with the remaining fortnightly editions being online only. **These fortnightly newsletters will be sent to parents/caregivers via the email address we have on file**, and are also available on our website.

Public Holidays - Term 1

Monday March 9 - Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Friday April 10 - Good Friday Public Holiday

Summer Uniform

Full Summer uniform, including school hats, must be worn by all students during Term 1.

The Uniform Shop will be open on **Thursdays up until Week 6, from 3pm – 5.30pm**, in addition to the normal Monday & Wednesday trading hours.

Please ensure that all uniform items are clearly marked, this provides the best chance for any lost property to be returned.

UNIFORM SHOP

Regular opening hours during Term:

Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Wednesday 3pm - 5:30pm

Thursday Extended Opening Hours:

TERM 1 – Weeks 1-6, 3pm – 5.30pm

TERM 2 – Weeks 1-3, 3pm – 5.30pm

TERM 4 – Weeks 1-3, 3pm – 5.30pm

Planning ahead for 2021

Please note that we have updated our Term 1 dates for next year, 2021.

We have decided to follow a recent change by DECS for 2021, due to the Australia Day holiday on Tuesday January 26, with **students returning on Wednesday January 27, 2021**. Monday January 25, 2021 will be a Student Free Day.

TERM DATES 2020

Term 1, 2020 - Tue 28 Jan - Thu 9 April

Term 2, 2020 - Tue 28 April - Fri 26 June

Please note: We will continue to have a three week break between terms 2 & 3

Term 3, 2020 - Tue 21 July - Fri 25 Sept

Term 4, 2020 - Tue 13 Oct - Wed 9 Dec

Online @ www.cedarcollege.sa.edu.au/news

House Team Shirts

If your student is new to the school or has outgrown their current House team coloured shirt you will need to **order a new shirt through the QKR! App** in time for the upcoming High School and Upper Primary Sports Days.

High School students require a coloured polo shirt and Upper Primary students wear a coloured T-shirt. Orders should be placed by Friday 21st February, in order to arrive in time.

Contact Details changed?

It is important to ensure that the school has up-to-date contact details for all parents, caregivers and emergency contacts.

If your address, phone number or email address has changed since last year, please complete a Change of Details form as soon as possible, available from the Front Office.

School Banking 2020

Cedar College offers the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to students in both Primary and High School.

School Banking day is Thursday. Each week you need to place your bank book either in the grey satchel in your Primary School student's classroom or in the blue School Banking box in the Primary School Front Office.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy, simply visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click the link to open a Youthsaver account.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away, using their Dollarmites deposit wallet. For further information, please see our School Banking Co-ordinator, Mrs Riches, in the Primary School Front Office.

Order School Lunches, Uniform Items with Qkr!

All lunch orders at Cedar College are made online, using the Qkr! app from your smartphone, or from any computer via the link on our website.

If you used Qkr! last year, you would have received a notification to update your child's details for the new school year.

The Uniform Shop now has its own menu on the Qkr! app (just below the Canteen menu) where you can order and pay for a range of items such as hats, socks, tights and hair accessories. When you order, you will first need to **select a delivery and notification method**.

Please note that the Uniform Shop can usually only fulfil these orders on Mondays and Wednesdays.

2020 School Fees

A reminder that Term 1 tuition fees are due by Friday of Week 2 of this term, or an approved payment plan put in place.



Thank you to those families who have paid their fees promptly this year. If you have not yet paid your fees for this term, please contact the Finance Office on 8261 3377 to organise payment. This includes families that had a direct debit in 2019 who have not updated their details and amounts.

If you make a payment directly to the school's bank account, **please include your debtor reference number (shown on your Fee Invoice, which was emailed to you) or at a minimum, your surname**, to ensure the payment is allocated correctly.

The school bank details for payments are:

BSB: 065141

Account Number: 10059036

Account Name: Cedar College

Mr Jeff Thorpe, Business Manager

Novel Coronavirus update

As you would be aware, the Novel Coronavirus has become an escalating concern worldwide.

As a school, we continue to follow regular updates from the Australian Government Department of Health, SA Department for Education, and the Association of Independent Schools of South Australia.

Updated information was emailed to all families earlier this week and we ask that families ensure that they read and follow the directives outlined in that letter. **Further information is available online at www.health.gov.au.**

