



FROM **THE PRINCIPAL**

Term 1, Week 3 - February 16, 2023

## Enjoying the Simple Things

Over the last two or three years, there have been many things that we have missed out on because of COVID restrictions, but it has often been the simple things that we have perhaps missed the most.

It's hard to believe that just 12 months ago, a simple thing like picking up your child from outside their classroom, attending an assembly, or even shaking hands were all things that we were unable to do. Simple things that we took for granted, but missed dearly when we could not do them.

**The ability to resume these simple things has made 2023 feel even more special.**

### Welcome Evenings

**Last week we held a Welcome Evening and Information Session for our Year 7 students, to assist in the transition to High School.**

Director of Middle School Student Development, Mr David Webb, talked to parents and caregivers about the year ahead, covering topics such as Canvas, Learning Conversations, SPARK, Canopy, timetables and homework. There was a lot to take in for both parents and students, as they considered how they might *thrive* during their time in Middle School. The evening finished with an informal time to meet the Middle School teachers over a tasty sausage sizzle.

The sausages were also sizzling in abundance the following evening, as hundreds of Primary School families joined us for their Meet the Teachers Welcome Evening. This event was another "thing" that we have been unable to hold during the last few years. Families explored the school with their children, met the Primary School teachers, and enjoyed some food and coffee with one another.

**These are all simple things, but so worthwhile.**

We trust that the beginning of the school year has been an enjoyable one, and look forward to enjoying further "Simple Things" with our Cedar community throughout the year.

**Mr Peter Thomson**, Principal



**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  
20****Year 12 Info Session**

SACE & SATAC Information

**FEB  
21****Year 8 HPV Immunisations**

All students in Year 8

**MAR  
1****TechWise Parent Night**

Guest Speaker, Brad Huddleston

**MAR  
2****SSSA Swimming Carnival**

Selected students 7-12

**MAR  
7****SACSA Swimming Carnival**

Selected students 7-12

**MAR  
7****Year 11/12 Beach Volleyball**

Selected students, Year 11/12

**MAR  
10****High School Sports Day**

All High School students 7-12

**MAR  
13****Public Holiday**

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

**MAR  
14****Year 11/12 Touch Football**

Mixed Touch Football Carnival

**MAR  
15****NAPLAN Testing**

(March 15-24) Students Year 7 & 9

**MAR  
29****Year 7 Camp**

Wednesday Mar 29 – Friday Mar 31

**APR  
3****SSSA Athletics Carnival**

Interschool Athletics Year 7-12

**APR  
4****Year 8 & 9 Camps**

Tuesday April 4 - Thursday April 6

**APR  
7****Public Holiday**

Good Friday Public Holiday

**APR  
10****Public Holiday**

Easter Monday Public Holiday

**APR  
11****SACSA Athletics Carnival**

Interschool Athletics Year 7-12

**APR  
12****Year 10 Training Day**

PLP Work Experience Training Day

**APR  
14****Last Day of Term 1**

Students 7-12 finish 3:20pm

**MAY  
2****Student Return for Term 2**

High School starts 8:30am



# Welcome to High School

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to all of our High School families for 2023, and trust that the start to the Term has been a smooth one.

**We have been excited to welcome the following incoming teachers for 2023:**

**Amber Bailey:** Mrs Bailey will be teaching English, Research Project, Christian Living and Community in 2023.

**Robert Bogacz:** Mr Bogacz will be teaching primarily Maths and Science in 2023.

**Daniel Nowak:** Having previously taught at Cedar College from 2012 to 2016, we welcome Mr Nowak back to the College in 2023, and he will be teaching Film and Media, Drama and Community.

Some other staff role changes for 2023 have seen Mr Tim Maddern appointed to Head of Teaching, Learning and Innovation, and Mrs Danielle Cioffi is now our High School Director of Curriculum.

Additionally, **Tegan Jolly** has recently joined our Cedar Care team as a Counsellor working across the Primary and High School.

**Mr Andrew Lock**, Head of High School



## Year 12s Take Time for Fun & Focus

The Year 12 Cohort spent time away during Week 2, as they prepared for the challenges ahead. Here's what they had to say about the experience.

"On Year 12 camp, I was able to get to know new people which established new friendships and built strong relationships, specifically in my activity group. I loved serving my classmates at breakfast, lunch and dinner, and seeing them have a good time at camp made me enjoy my time there too." - **Robyn**



"Year 12 camp this year was an amazing experience as I learned a lot while connecting with my fellow peers. I learnt to prioritise my schooling and keep it in the foreground of my mind whilst also developing relationships." - **Lydia**

"The theme of the Year 12 camp was "focus", and how we can apply that focus in what is going to be one of the biggest years we have faced to date. Completing activities, games, and challenges in our groups or House teams allowed us to really kick back and spend time together one last time before we really crack into the year." - **Angus**

"The Retreat was a great way to start the year. We were able to prepare for the year through listening to guest speaker, James, and delving into several devotions about how to focus in Year 12. We also had the great opportunity to give our burdens to Jesus and pray for the busy year ahead." - **Nathan**



# 100%

of Cedar Graduates

## SACE Completion



### SACE Merits

for outstanding Achievement

Olivia Colalancia  
SACE Christian Living & Psychology

Nathan Priest  
Mathematical Methods

Kate Carino  
Biology

Anshi Dalal  
Child Studies

Isabella Graham  
Workplace Practices

Nathaniel Van Uitert  
Health and Wellbeing

Caitlin Schaefer  
Research Project

# University

First Round Offers



# 98%

# 99.3

## Cedar Dux ATAR



Kate Carino - 99.3  
Cedar College Dux 2022



Arantza Garcia - 97.2  
Runner-up Dux 2022

# 78

## Mean ATAR



Average score - all students

# 80%

## First Preference



University course offer

# 89.3%

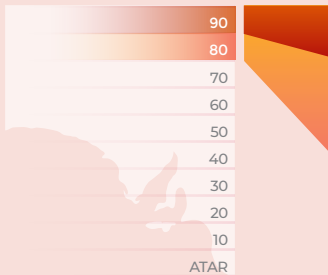
## A or B grades

of all Stage 2 Grades

# Tertiary

## Pathway Offers

- Bachelor of Arts (Advanced)
- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Aviation (Pilot)**
- Bachelor of Business (Design and Marketing)
- Bachelor of Business (Marketing)
- Bachelor of Laws**
- Bachelor of Communication and Media
- Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced)**
- Bachelor of Contemporary Arts / Master of Teaching
- Bachelor of Creative Arts
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Bachelor of Creative Arts (Visual)
- Bachelor of Criminology**
- Bachelor of Design (Communication Design)
- Bachelor of Digital Business
- Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Early Childhood Education
- Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Honours)
- Bachelor of Economics (Advanced)
- Bachelor of Nursing
- Bachelor of Education (Primary)
- Bachelor of Social Work
- Bachelor of Education (Secondary)
- Bachelor of Engineering** (Biomedical - Honours)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours - Engineering Pathway)
- Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science / Bachelor of Nutrition
- Bachelor of Health and Medical Science
- Bachelor of Health & Medical Science** (Advanced)
- Bachelor of Health Science (Vision Science) / Master of Optometry
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Laboratory Medicine** (Honours)
- Bachelor of Laws** (Double Degree)
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours)
- Bachelor of Film and Television
- Bachelor of Marketing and Communication
- Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences
- Bachelor of Media (Double Degree)
- Diploma of Health Science
- Bachelor of Media** (Journalism)
- Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)
- Bachelor of Primary Education (Honours)
- Bachelor of Psychology** (Advanced / Honours)
- Bachelor of Science (Animal Behaviour)
- Bachelor of Science (Mineral Geoscience)
- Bachelor of Science** (Veterinary Bioscience)
- Bachelor of Secondary Education (Honours)
- Bachelor of Speech Pathology (Honours)



# 17%

in the top 10% of the State

# 53%

in the top 20% of the State

# 12

## Accelerated Students (Year 11) achieved A Grades

Mathematical Methods

Nathan Priest  
Michelle George  
Gunkeerat Kaur  
Sukhmani Kaur

Ethan Lawrie  
Tushar Pillai  
Lydia Thewodros  
Eden Li

Daksh Sharma  
Modern History  
Edward Herman

Physics

Tushar Pillai

Physical Education

Angus Tully  
Sienna Walsh

# 28

## "A" grades Research Project

Year 11 Students, Stage 2

# 82%

## At least one A Grade



All students in Year 12



# Year 12 Success, 2022

✚ DISCOVER JESUS    ❤ DISPLAY LOVE    🎓 DEVELOP SELF



**The College community would like to congratulate the Year 12 class of 2022 on the success achieved throughout the year.**

**Every graduating student achieved their South Australian Certificate of Education, as has been the case for many years at Cedar.** This is a significant achievement, especially when one considers the additional COVID-related challenges faced by this group of students throughout the senior years of their schooling.

In terms of the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR), **17% of our graduating Year 12s achieved an ATAR of greater than 90**, placing them in the top 10% of students in South Australia. Additionally, **53% of our students achieved an ATAR of 80 or more**, placing them in the top 20% of students in the state. To have such a high percentage of our students ranked in the top 20% of South Australian students is an amazing achievement. It is also worth noting that 89.3% of the grades awarded to our Year 12s in 2022 were either an A or a B, and this represents further improvement from previous years. **Our students also received 8 SACE Merits for outstanding achievement within a subject.**

## Tertiary Pathways

Further to this, **98% of our students applying for a University course received a first-round offer**, and of these students, 80% were offered their first preference course (these figures always rise after subsequent offer rounds). It is exceptionally pleasing to see so many of our students able to pursue the pathway of their choice. We continue to be very proud of the outstanding results that our Year 12s achieve and feel extremely blessed to be part of a school community where students can fulfil their God-given academic gifts, and progress to exciting post-school opportunities and pathways.

**The completion of Year 12 is the culmination of many years of effort and hard work, and all students should be proud of their achievements.** Cedar wishes each member of the 2022 Year 12 cohort God's richest blessings as they pursue study and employment in the coming years.

**Mr Peter Thomson**  
Cedar College Principal

**Mr Tim Maddern**  
Head of Teaching, Learning and Innovation



# Primary School Update

2023 has begun well and it was fantastic to meet many parents who were able to attend the "Meet The Teachers Welcome Evening".

**It has been great to see our new students settling in and learning to navigate school life.** This is especially so for the Reception students, as school is a very big change for them, and their parents!



We would also like to welcome a new face to the Primary School this year, **Mrs Rachael Olafsen**, who has taken the new role of Director of Primary Curriculum, as well as teaching in the Year 1 classroom.

The Primary School has also seen some movement, with **Mrs Emily Smith** joining 3PKES, **Miss Johannah Petrie** joining 5RWJP, and **Mrs Melissa Napier** has returned in her role as Health and CLIC teacher.

We look forward to continuing to connect with many of our Cedar families at the upcoming Upper Primary Sports Day in a few week's time!

**Mr Nigel Austin**, Head of Primary School

## Primary School Assembly and Chapel

The Primary School have already enjoyed their first Chapel and Assembly times, as they come together to learn, encourage and have lots of fun!

This year, parents and caregivers will be invited to attend Assembly when their child's class is involved, which is usually several times a year. **Class teachers will let you know of these dates via Canvas.** Chapel times (held on the alternating Friday mornings) will have a limited number of seats for parents/caregivers to attend where possible - we'd love to see you there!



## Learning Conversation Date Change

**Please note that the dates for Primary School Learning Conversations have changed slightly since the Term Planner was sent home.** The Primary School Learning Conversations will now be held on Tuesday March 28, and Monday April 3. Further information will be sent home, closer to the date.

## TechWise - Living and Learning in the Digital Age

We are delighted to welcome International Speaker, **Brad Huddleston** back to Cedar College. Brad has spoken to hundreds of thousands of adults and students worldwide on the advantages of well-used technology tools and the dangers of the growing trend toward technology addiction.



Brad is an internationally respected speaker, consultant, teacher and author on important issues such as technology and culture.

**All Cedar parents and caregivers (R-12) are invited to join us on Wednesday March 1, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.** Scan the QR Code for more information, and to register your attendance via the Cedar website.



## PRIMARY SCHOOL EVENTS

### 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  
23

#### Year 3 Excursion

All students in Year 3

FEB  
28

#### Reception Excursion

All students in Year 3

MAR  
7

#### SACSA Swimming Carnival

Selected students Year 3-6

MAR  
8

#### Year 5 Camp

Wednesday Mar 8 – Friday Mar 10

MAR  
13

#### Public Holiday

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

MAR  
15

#### NAPLAN Testing

(March 15-24) Students Year 3 & 5

MAR  
15

#### Pre-Sports Day Events

Upper Primary 8:50am – 9:25am

MAR  
15

#### Year 6 Twilight Tours

Wednesday evening, details to come

MAR  
16

#### Pre-Sports Day Events

Upper Primary 8:50am – 9:25am

MAR  
17

#### Upper Primary Sports Day

Students in Year 3-6

MAR  
24

#### Year 3 Excursion

All students in Year 3

MAR  
28

#### Learning Conversations

Details to come

MAR  
29

#### Year 1 Excursion

All students in Year 1

APR  
3

#### Learning Conversations

Details to come

APR  
7

#### Public Holiday

Good Friday Public Holiday

APR  
10

#### Public Holiday

Easter Monday Public Holiday

APR  
14

#### SACSA Athletics Carnival

Interscholar Athletics Year 3-6

APR  
14

#### Last Day of Term 1

Students R-6 finish 3:15pm

MAY  
2

#### Student Return for Term 2

Primary School starts 8:40am



## 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 editions being online only. **These 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 13** – Adelaide Cup Holiday

**Friday April 7** – Good Friday Holiday

**Monday April 10** – Easter Monday 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 until Week 6, from 3pm – 5.30pm**, in addition to the regular Monday & Wednesday trading hours.

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

## Celebrating the Class of '22

**We've included a snapshot of our excellent Year 12, 2022, results in this newsletter.**

**Kate Carino was the Cedar College Dux in 2022, achieving an outstanding ATAR of 99.30.** Kate also

received one of the 8 SACE Merits awarded to Cedar College students for Outstanding Achievement.

The snapshot also includes the Tertiary pathway offers received by our Year 12 cohort, and further details of the academic results achieved by our Year 12s and accelerated Year 11 students.



## Pedestrian Crossing safety

**Pedestrian crossings, such as the "Koala Crossing" on Fosters Road, operate only when the yellow lights are flashing.** A 25km/h speed limit applies for cars approaching the crossing, when the lights are flashing.

**Any pedestrians using the crossing, however, should never assume that a driver has seen them or will stop for them**, and instead follow the steps outlined on the crossing signage.

**STOP** at the kerb.

**LOOK** in all directions for traffic.

**LISTEN** to the sounds of traffic.

**THINK** about when it is safe to cross.

Always check that all vehicles have stopped and **only cross if the road is clear.**

## Student Achievement

**We're excited to recognise the following students and their recent achievements:**

Cedar College has three Year 12 students (2022) who have been selected to exhibit in the 2023 SACE Art Show - **Angelia Charles, Jazmyne Clifford** and **Olivia Colancia**. The exhibition opens in March.

**Congratulations to Year 8 student, Piper, who recently competed in the Australian Open Water championships.** Piper placed 10th in Australia in the 5km event, and has also qualified for a number of races in the upcoming National Pool Championships.

## Sibling Enrolments 2026

**Applications for sibling enrolments for 2026 are now open.** It is the responsibility of the parent/caregiver to submit an enrolment application. Please contact Lara Webb on 7221 3606 for more information.



**BEDROCK is a FREE after-school gospel-focused program run by CityReach Oakden Kids, and school children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to attend.**

The program operates from 3:45pm – 5pm every Thursday during the school term in the Café located on the CityReach Oakden property.

The program includes an afternoon snack, activities, games, bible teaching lesson, memory verses for kids to learn, songs and more.

If you have any questions, please contact [josht@cityreach.com.au](mailto:josht@cityreach.com.au) or scan the QR Code to register.



## 2023 School Fees



Term 1 tuition fees were 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.** If you have not yet paid your fees or arranged a FACTs payment plan, please refer to the email sent to your debtor email address, or contact the Finance Office on 8261 3377 for a copy to be sent. This includes families who had an ongoing direct debit in 2022.

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)**, 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

## House Team Shirts

If your student is new to the school or has outgrown their House team coloured shirt, you will need to **order a new House 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 24th February, in order to arrive in time.**

## Absentee Notification

**It is important to continue to notify the College if your child will be absent.**

Parents/caregivers can phone the Front Office from 8am, or use the **student absentee email notification**, which can be accessed via the Cedar Portals menu on our website.

If required, the Front Office may phone, email or send a text message to confirm the absence.

## 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

## TERM DATES 2023

**Term 1, 2023** - Tue 31 Jan – Fri 14 April

**Term 2, 2023** - Tue 2 May – Fri 30 June

*Please note: We have a three week break between Terms 2 & 3*

**Term 3, 2023** - Tue 25 July – Fri 29 Sept

**Term 4, 2023** - Tue 17 Oct - Wed 13 Dec