



Weekly Newsletter

From the Headmistress

Dear Parents

The staff of the Prep and the College had a wonderful, fun teambuilding day on Saturday. We feel that it is so important to ensure that the ethos of Cedarwood, is strung from the Prep to the College and vice-versa, and practised every day in all that we do! It was also an opportunity for all the staff to get to know one another in a relaxing, fun environment. Did you know that Cedarwood School, both Prep and College has 80 staff members! Many thanks to James Else (one of our Board members) who got the day started with a very thought provoking and interactive exercise, and to Mrs Dawn Schmitz and Mrs Karen Beevers who did a wonderful job of co-ordinating the activities.

Don't forget to pop into the hall on Thursday and Friday to do some book shopping with "The Book People". A percentage of the sales made are always donated back to the school in the way of books for the library, so it is certainly a worthwhile shop!

The term is getting jam packed with activities and events, so please be sure to check the calendar on the website for all the updates. The College will be hosting a parent information evening for Grade Six parents on 11 June at 6pm, so please diarise this date. More information will follow next week. Our Grade five and six pupil's are gearing up for their study skills course which is run over two days and which has been proven to be enormously beneficial to all students. I will be attending a two day workshop, run by ISASA, next Monday and Tuesday which is set to serve as an excellent introduction to the disciplinary process (for students and staff) , including disciplinary hearings and possible CCMA issues. This will be followed up by a one day workshop the following week on "Fair employment practices and the CCMA." A number of staff attended a workshop on bullying last week and more will be attending a workshop this Sunday entitled "Child psychiatric medications explained and explored". Continual professional learning and development are key aspects to Cedarwood and we as a staff, are very fortunate to be able to participate in many workshops, seminars and courses which add great value to the Cedarwood experience from which each and every child benefits.

"When people are like each other, they tend to like each other." - Tony Robbins

God Bless
Jayne Eurelle

ASSEMBLY NEWS



Thank you to 1F for their lovely assembly 'Our Feelings Bucket'. Our next assembly, on the 2nd June, will be presented by Grade R. All parents and visitors are welcome to attend. Assembly begins at 07h30. We look forward to seeing you there.

Cedarwood congratulates our
MERIT recipients

- Grade R Tshego Ngakane
- Grade 1F The Whole Class
- Grade 1W Sheiyane Jooste
Jared Engela
- Grade 2A Karl Weissenberger
Keano Govender
- Grade 2B Keegan Dominy
Keagan Smit
- Grade 3H Liyema Nodada
Ethan Damon
- Grade 3P The Whole Class
- Grade 4L Joshua De Connick
Motheo Matabane
- Grade 4R Sloane Mew
Tatum Butler
- Grade 5B Basil Emekwuru
Athiel Singh
- Grade 5D Simile Buthelezi
Tristin Bayne
- Grade 6A Kelebogile Rammopo
Vuyo Mbatha
- Grade 6J Bafana Ngwenya
Erin Milosevich

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Congratulations to *Mahlatshe Moloto* on receiving the *Principal's Courtesy Award* and *Matthew Ward* on receiving the *Principal's Appearance Award*.



Cedarwood congratulates the
LIONS on
winning this
weeks House
Cup.



Leopards	39
Lions	42
Tigers	31

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you



To Jason Else from Franke for their generous donation of a sink and taps to the school. Your generosity is very much appreciated!



From the Sports Desk

We are back in business as the saying goes. Our sports field is back to its lively self again. It's a far cry from the one we had last term when most of our matches were rained out. You would have noticed that there is more activity than usual on the sports field. This is because the College has started with their sports schedule and it is as packed as ours. On that score, you will find that some of our matches will be played on the lower field. That is because we have to share the few facilities we have. We will, however, endeavour to ensure that the children are safe at all times.

On another note, we have come to the realization that we have many soccer players. This impacts on the match time of everyone in the team. We have, therefore, deliberately sought extra friendly matches in order to ensure that every child gets a chance to play. As usual, our singular purpose is to ensure that we give our children as much match time as possible.

This brings us to the match that we will be playing as you read this. We arranged a friendly match against a new school called Paddington Learning Centre. Their classes only go up to grade four and that is the reason why we will be playing only up to Under 10s.

Please find below the report about the matches played last week.

On Monday, the cross country team travelled to Northsands for a meet. All our runners finished their races. The seniors did us proud when they came first in all their races. Most Cedarwood runners were placed in the top five of their respective races.

On Wednesday, the two soccer teams played at Northsands and, while the junior team did not fair too well, the senior team completely destroyed their opponents, scoring eleven goals against only one.

On Friday, the netball teams also travelled to Northsands. What brilliant matches they were! All our girls played very well and their behaviour was excellent.

Over the weekend, our Equestrian Team competed in the 3rd Inter-Schools Qualifier held at GHS against all the other schools falling under Central. Our riders did us proud, looking neat and tidy while riding their hearts out. Special mention needs to be made of Connor Stephenson, who received a 1st place in Performance Riding and a 2nd Place in Working Riding; Cameron North, who received a 5th place in Working Riding and Courtney Fabry who received a 3rd in Equitation. You are all super stars!

Well done to everybody that represented the school with such pride.

This week on Wednesday, there will be soccer and netball matches at Cedarwood against Paddington Learning Centre. On Thursday, the Touch rugby team travels to Orion College for their first match of the season.

We would like to wish all the those representing the school all the best of luck. Do your best and, above all, have fun.



Oliver Ngwenya

School Fees



A gentle reminder that fees are payable from 1st Jan to 1st Nov. Interest will be charged on all overdue accounts and pupils may ultimately face suspension.

Kindly use *Pupils name and surname* as a payment reference.

Should you be planning on leaving Cedarwood, a full terms written notice is required or a terms fees will be liable!

A Chair in need of help?

Do any of our parents have access to or know someone who does interior design or upholstering of old furniture?

Mrs Pops has an old chair that needs some serious help with a plain fabric reupholstering. This beautiful old chair will then be upcycled and become part of our Art Auction.

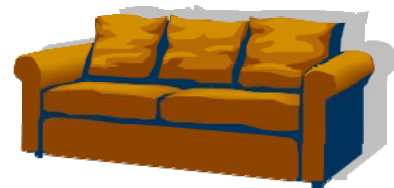
Should you be able to assist, please contact the front office.



Please help...

Our maintenance department is on the 'beg' again and looking for assistance with the following items to improve our school for your children:

- ⇒ A crash helmet
- ⇒ A small couch or lounge suite
- ⇒ A small dining room table with 4—6 chairs
- ⇒ The use of an industrial sewing machine and moms who can assist with sewing of mats for the Foundation Phase play area.



Should you be able to assist, please contact Margaret Wood at the school office.

Art Auction

Our Art Auction is fast approaching and promises to be a fantastic evening on Thursday, 10th July. Mrs Pops is working very hard with each class to prepare items for this years Auction following the wonderful theme of 'upcycling' - using all those 'useless' old goodies to make amazing works of art. Pictured is one of the Grade R items that you can enjoy in your home. Pupil's artwork will also be on display and can be purchased, via donation, on the evening.

So, book the date and don't be late—you don't want to miss out on the final auction 'shout'!



Special Person's Day

On the 27th June, at 9am, the Foundation Phase will be hosting a fun day for the special person in our pupil's lives. Please diarise the date and watch the newsletter for more details.

The Art department is looking for various sized bottle tops and empty plastic coldrink bottles. Should you be able to assist, please drop off at reception for the attention of Mrs Pops.



Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, 28 May

Touch Rugby vs Orion @ Orion
Soccer vs Paddington Learning Centre @ Cedarwood

Thursday, 29 May

Book People Visit

Friday, 30 May

Book People Visit

Monday, 2 June

Assembly: Grade R
Foyer: 2A

Wednesday, 4 June

Grade 5 Study Skills
Soccer vs Orion @ Cedarwood

Thursday, 5 June

Grade 5 Study Skills

Thank you to the Clay Family for their generous donation of R5000 towards our annual year book. You are super stars!



CEDARWOOD BLANKETS

A REMINDER THAT CEDARWOOD BLANKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION AT ONLY R90 EACH.

Tired of the clutter in your house—those things that may be worth something to someone else and you could use the extra cash? Looking for something, but can't find it? Perhaps a short piece about your small (or larger) business might get you that extra clientele. Why not advertise in the Cedarwood Classifieds! It's cheap, easy and well distributed on a monthly basis. Simply contact Mrs Schmitz on dschmitz@cedarwoodschool.co.za for more information. Our next issue will be distributed on Monday, 2 June, so don't delay, get your info through today!





Congratulations to Keagan Smit who attended a Judo clinic and received an Orange stripe on his yellow belt and a gold medal!



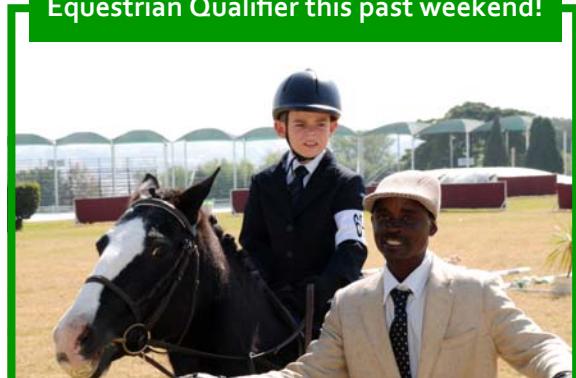
Congratulations to Roraigh Browne who received a medal for a 10km cycle race held at the Rainbow Farm in Pretoria.



Congratulations to Sean Herron who participated in a Training Show at Fourways Riding Centre and received a Clear Round Rosette.



Congratulations to all our riders who did us proud at the third Inter-Schools Equestrian Qualifier this past weekend!



Cedarwood Blanket Drive

Dear Parents

This term, as part of our charity initiatives, we are doing a blanket drive. This initiative allows you and your child to give to someone in need in a meaningful way to help keep them warm over this cold winter period. With this initiative there are many options which you can subscribe to:

Intermediate phase children will be making them in class:

We are going to be making fleece blankets (without a needle and cotton) in class over a period of time.

This involves buying 2 metres of fleece material which costs R50 and creating a needle and stitch-free blanket during class time.

Please send your R50 to your class teacher before the 20th June if your child will be participating in this drive.

If you would like to make a blanket at home:

Please buy 2 metres of fleece material at Shamdoor or any other fabric shop and get started with your child. Please use the video tutorial on the Cedarwood website to teach you how, or ask any of the teachers for help.

Donate a blanket:

If you are short on time please feel free to buy a blanket that you can donate to this worthy cause.

Please send all finished or bought blankets to Miss. Kim Bristow's grade two classroom before Thursday the 10th July.

We are still collecting knit-a-square squares, so if you are knitting squares already please send these to school by Monday the 4th August.

We hope you enjoy this project.

Many thanks

Kim Bristow



Sumbandila non-profit organisation

It is nearing that time of year when Matric Farewells happen. As I am sure many of you know, matric dance dresses come at quite a cost.

You wear this dress once and then it takes up space in your cupboard.

Why not donate it to a worthy cause?

Sumbandila is a non-profit organisation awards academic bursaries to underprivileged Grade eight students in the Limpopo Province. The students then attend Ridgeway College, a private school in the area. This non-profit organisation is successfully run by Leigh Bristow, please see their website www.sumbandila.org for more information.

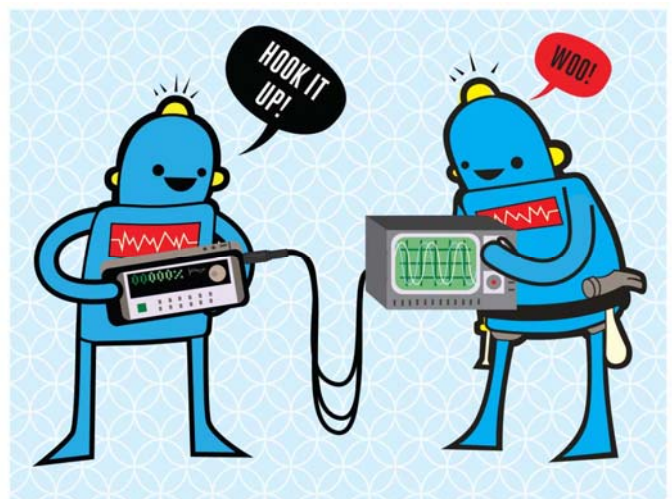
They are trying to set up a collection of matric dance dresses or smart bridesmaid dresses and are looking for donations of dresses and evening shoes for the girl's matric farewells.

If you have an old matric dance dress, bridesmaid dress or evening shoes that are in good condition please bring them to Miss Kim Bristow in the Grade two classroom.



Please help

Our College is looking to borrow a generator on the 19th and 20th October. The generator would need to be in place for the Matric GDE CAT (Computer Applied Technology) finals, and would need to run the College IT Centre should the power fail. This is a requirement from the GDE. Should anyone be able to assist, please contact Mr Billman on gbillman@cedarwoodschool.co.za or the front office.



The PTA Corner

PA vs. PTA



At our meeting last week, we decided to change our name to Parent Teacher Association (not just Parents Association). Partly due to the fact that we'd like to be consistent with the College PTA, but the predominate reason is that we'd like to recognize the efforts of the teachers in each and every event we have.

As we all know, the teachers know our children so well that we feel their input is invaluable.

Have a super week,

Lara (PTA)

laraweissenberger@yahoo.com or 072-122-6049

Grade 6 Hoodies



Our Grade 6 class of 2014 sported their new hoodies on Friday, enjoying the limelight of being the leaders of the Prep School. They will be allowed to wear these hoodies every Friday.

2014 School Year Book

We trust that you enjoyed reading your copy of the 2013 Cedarwood Year Book over the holidays. Should you wish to purchase an additional copy of this year book, there are still copies available from the school office.



Work has started on the 2014 Year Book, and we are looking for advertising for this fantastic 'work of art'. Advertising costs are as follows:

Quarter Page: R950, Half Page: R1800, Full Page: R2900, Inside Front: R3000, Inside Back: R3400, Back Page: R3600

This publication is printed in full colour, and is a wonderful place for you to 'spread news' about your company. Should you be interested in placing an advert in our 2014 Year Book, kindly contact Mrs Schmitz at dschmitz@cedarwoodschool.co.za

Soccer vs Northsands—21 May 2014



Netball vs Northsands—23 May 2014



PrepColl Team Building—24 May 2014

