



### From the desk of the Headmaster

#### Dear Cedarwood Parents

Welcome back to school. We start Term 3 at the beginning of Spring and hopefully the end of the icy cold weather. We have switched back to summer uniform.

I will be away from school attending two Heads conferences in Cape Town from 18 to 26 September.

#### Calendar dates

- 7&8 September Grade 4 camp
- 9 September PTA DIY day
- 13-15 September Grade 5&6 camp
- 13 October Golf Day
- 20-23 October Half term

#### Extra murals Term 3

Our new extra mural program was sent out last term. I attach another copy to this newsletter for anyone who may have not received it. One important thing to note is that after half term we will stop doing athletics and switch over to swimming.

There is an additional private extra mural on offer this term. Marimbas is on offer with an external teacher who will manage the group on a Friday afternoon. Please contact the number on the roster if you would like your child to take part.

#### Outreach

There are two main outreach drives this term. At the end of the year we will do our annual drive to collect Love-Boxes. These boxes will focus on collecting parcels for the aged this year. Mrs Jacobs will send out the letters in November.

We will also be doing a unique drive to assist a charity which feeds and clothes the extremely destitute. This drive will need us to donate any old/used clothing in return for which the charity will food parcels to extremely destitute and marginalized communities in and around Johannesburg. Miss Barnes will be sending out some communication in this regard shortly.

#### Play practice and performances

Our Intermediate Phase Play, based on the original story of 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin', will be performed on 2 and 3 November, with a final dress rehearsal on 1 November. Preparations are already feverishly underway, with regular practices taking place every Friday from 1pm to 3pm. Mrs Jacobs and her team will shortly be communicating with parents regarding costumes requirements. Tickets for the extravaganza will go on sale in mid-October.



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#### Staff

We welcome Mr Riccardo Tagliatti to our school this term. Mr Tagliatti will fill the 3 month locum Art teaching position. Mrs Artingstall has been moved from Art to teach a Grade 5 class. Last term we welcomed Ms Sthabile Mthethwa to the school to teach Zulu from Grade 3 to Grade 6. Ms Mthethwa has settled in well and the children seem to be enjoying the fun Zulu lessons.

Congratulations to Miss de Bruyn and Miss Meiring who got married in the holidays. Miss de Bruyn is now Mrs Blamire and Miss Meiring is now Mrs Demartinis.

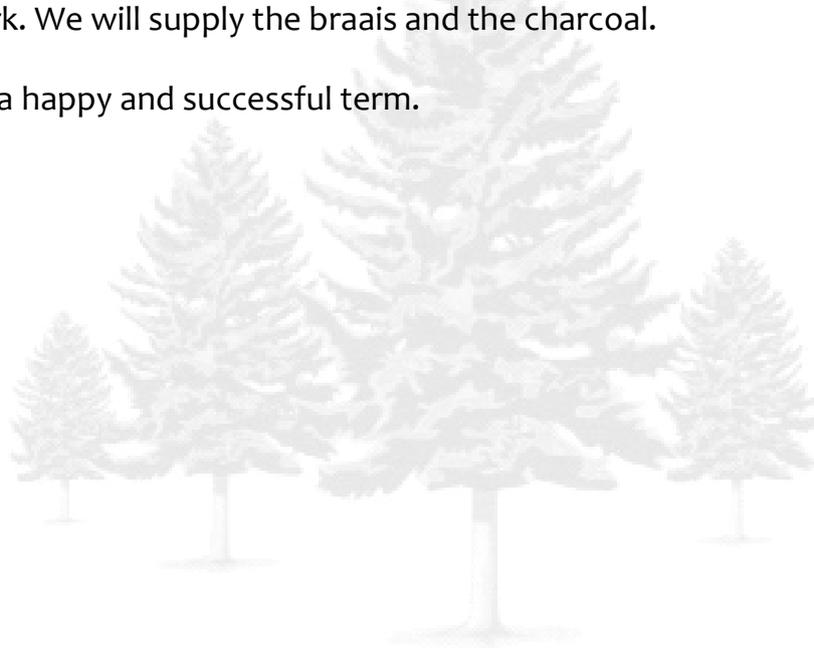
#### PTA fundraising

There are two main PTA fundraising activities this term. On Saturday 9 September we will hold our DIY day where parents are invited to help with some painting, planting or general repair work at the entrance to the school. Please feel free to join us and bring along some meat to braai while you work. We will supply the braais and the charcoal.

I trust we will have a happy and successful term.

Yours sincerely

**Mr. D Bester**  
Headmaster



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