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FROM THE **HEAD OF HIGH SCHOOL**

Term 4, Week 3 - November 1, 2023

## Cedar Cup – Celebrating Community

Friday, October 20, marked a day that will be etched in the memories of many High School students and staff.

**After a year of relentless dedication, teamwork, and clever strategies, the announcement of the Cedar Cup winners had everyone on the edge of their seats.**

What makes the Cedar Cup competition truly exceptional is its ability to recognise every student’s contributions within the High School community. Whether it’s through **major event days, acts of service, displays of character, athletic prowess, academic achievements, or the world of Creative Arts**, each student is able to contribute points for their House.

The winning team is determined after weighing the scores across all categories. At the end of Term 3, the Big Day In event injected a substantial dose of points into the overall tally. This boosted Jackson’s hopes of a back-to-back win, given that Bradman had won Sports Day in Term 1. Nevertheless, the other contributing areas were so diverse that it felt as though any team could emerge as the Cedar Cup victors.

I’d like to thank Mrs De Cristofaro and Mr Maddern, who presided over the thrilling announcement ceremony this year. They also had the honour of introducing our new Year 12 Prefects and House Captains, who are now entrusted with guiding our student body until this time next year. The outgoing Year 12 Student Leaders shared the results from all six categories, and when the winning team was unveiled, it was met with flashing lights and a thunderous applause, **congratulations Bradman.**

**The final results were: Bradman 580 points, Jackson 540 points, Laver 420 points, Gould 370 points.**

Congratulations to Bradman for their monumental teamwork, with special recognition for Captains Maddison Duns and Jess Shinto, as well as House Key Teacher, Mr Tom Giles. Bradman’s impressive turnaround from the previous year has been nothing short of awe-inspiring, and it’s safe to say that Mr Giles has been smiling since Week 1!

Since the thrilling announcement, the High School has proudly hoisted the green Bradman flag, which is set to soar for the next 12 months, while the Front Office now radiates a green glow of Bradman success!

**We’re looking forward to another year of incredible achievements, unity, and spirited competition in the High School community!**

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



Photo: Bradman wins the 2023 Cedar Cup

**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.**

**NOV 1 High School Welcome Day**  
For Year 6s and new students

**NOV 6 Year 12 Exams Begin**  
Various times, November 6-17

**NOV 6 Thailand Parent Evening**  
Service Trip Information Night

**NOV 10 Remembrance Day Service**  
(Remembrance Day is Saturday 11)

**NOV 13 PAT Testing (Year 7-9)**  
Throughout Week 5

**NOV 14 Visual Art & Design Exhibit**  
Resource Centre from 3:30pm

**NOV 15 9/10 SACSA Touch Football**  
Selected students

**NOV 16 7/8 SACSA Touch Football**  
Selected students

**NOV 21 Year 12 Formal**  
+ Parents/Caregivers canapés

**NOV 23 Year 12 Graduation**  
Auditorium, from 7pm

**NOV 24 Year 11 SWOT Vac**  
Study day for Year 11s

**NOV 27 Year 11 Exams**  
November 27-29

**NOV 29 Year 9 & 10 Drama Evening**  
Drama performances

**NOV 30 Yr 11&12 (2024) Orientation**  
November 30 & December 1

**NOV 30 Summer Soulstice**  
Music festival, from 6pm

**DEC 5 Year 9 & 10 Exams**  
December 5&6

**DEC 7 Last Day of High School**  
Students finish 3:20pm

**DEC 7 Year 9 Graduation**  
Auditorium, from 7pm

**DEC 8 Student Free Day**  
All students in High School

**A Big Day In for Jackson**

One event on the High School calendar always stands out like a beacon of shared experiences, laughter and friendship – The Big Day In.

**Held on the last day of Term 3, it unites us in celebration, showcasing our students' talents and school spirit.** This year the sun shone brightly and the atmosphere of the day was one of friendly competition, as Houses battled in a broad range of competitions.

Students displayed talent and creativity in the old battle favourites, such as *The Amazing Race*, *You vs Wild*, *Master Chef*, *Beach Volleyball*, *Domino Destruction*, *Jigsaw Mania* and *Escape Rooms*. New battles included *Fast Film*, *Tournament of Tasks*, *Jackbox* and *Photo Scavenger Hunt*. Sports enthusiasts found their niche and demonstrated team work and determination in basketball, netball, volleyball and soccer.



**The students had many positive things to say, including:** *"I enjoyed having fun with my friends and competing against the other Houses," "I liked how we could choose which events to participate in, and the games provided were fun," "The battles I attended have been the best I've seen in my high school life," and "I enjoyed getting to know different people from various Houses and year levels."*

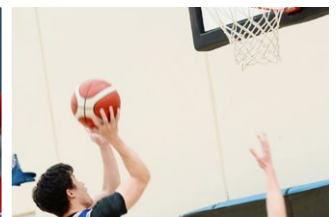
**In the afternoon, students moved to the Auditorium where the competition continued with some fun on-stage games which were run by our Year 12 Prefects.**

And then came the moment we were all waiting for - **Jackson** was declared the victor and a sea of red erupted in cheers. The House captain, Zaneta, shone brightly as she accepted the House Spirit Award, with **Jackson first on 830, followed by Bradman 820, Laver 700, and Gould 680.**

In the end, it was the whole school that was victorious through fostering a wonderful expression of House spirit and collaboration. Well done to all who participated!

The day would not have been possible without the efforts of our dedicated teachers and staff. Thank you particularly to Mrs Robinson, Mrs Cioffi, Mr Watson and Miss Field for your help in organising the event.

**Mrs Catherine De Cristofaro,**  
Resource Centre Coordinator



## Exploration and Excitement



Term 3 was a time of exploration and excitement for our Junior Primary students! Let's take a peek at the fantastic highlights that were enjoyed by each year level.

**Reception with Miss Gallasch, Mrs Davies, Mrs Tirimacco and Mrs Watson** - We enjoyed opportunities to connect with children from all the Reception classes through Shared Investigations, the Patch Theatre performance of *ZOOM*, and building cubbies with Nature Play SA on the oval. We loved celebrating books by dressing up as our favourite book characters for a costume parade in front of parents and friends. It was exciting having our grandparents and special friends visit us to do some fun activities and enjoy morning tea together. We learnt how to write sentences and explore stories through book making, small worlds and retelling familiar stories.

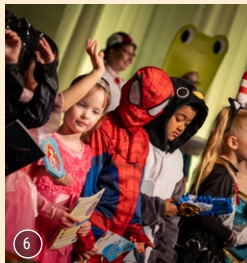
**Year 1 with Miss Ma, Mrs Darcy and Mrs Olafsen** - As part of our continued learning about looking after special places in Geography and non-fiction information reports in Literacy, we enjoyed a great day out at Cleland Wildlife Park! We saw a wide range of animals such as koalas, kangaroos, wombats, emus and reptiles. We used our mapping skills from our Maths unit to follow and give directions using the park map to find our favourite animals! We had a wonderful time learning about how to care for animal habitats and some of us were even brave enough to pat a kangaroo!

**Year 2 with Mrs Rosmini, Mrs Wright, Mrs Simunsen and Mrs Schlotfeldt** - It has been a jam-packed term of learning adventures for the Year 2s. In response to our focus on African animals, students learnt how to write reports and showed creativity making dioramas of animals in their habitats. In HASS, they explored the world and our connections to different places and memorised a very catchy song about continents. For many students, the highlight of the term was coming back to school one evening for the Big Night In, where they enjoyed BBQ sausages, games, craft, a bouncy castle, dance party and a movie.

The students experienced incredible growth, learning and many unforgettable moments during Term 3. I have no doubt that they will continue their educational journey in Term 4 with enthusiasm and curiosity. Thank you for the ongoing love and guidance that you, as parents, give to your children, and for the support that you give to all our teachers. We couldn't do it without you!

### PHOTOS

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| 1. Year 1 Cleland Excursion | 8. Book Week Parade     |
| 2. Year 2 Big Night In      | 9. Book Week Parade     |
| 3. Reception Cubbies        | 10. Year 2 Big Night In |
| 4. Grandparents Day         | 11. Book Week Parade    |
| 5. Grandparents Day         | 12. Grandparents Day    |
| 6. Book Week Parade         | 13. Reception Cubbies   |
| 7. Year 1 Cleland Excursion | 14. Year 2 Big Night In |



# Future Pathways and New Events



Term 3 in Senior School was a busy and exciting term with lots of our usual Term 3 events as well as a number of new ones.

Year 10s and 11s started the term selecting their subjects for next year, which is always an exciting time, as students plan out the next steps in their pathway. The Year 11s had representatives from several universities come and present all of the courses and activities they have to offer, providing students with important information to further aid in their subject/pathway choices.

Week 4 saw our Year 10s head off to Bushwalking Camp. Due to closures in the Flinders Rangers, the Year 10s went to Deep Creek National Park this year instead. Despite the weather, students had a wonderful time developing their skills, abilities and relationships with each other.

Throughout the term, there were several excursions, as well as a number of sporting events. In Week 3, we hosted students from several schools across Adelaide, and a team from the Bible Society Australia and the Centre for Public Christianity (CPX) for the Bible Society Masterclass. This was an event designed to explore how the Bible can help us grapple with contemporary issues, with speakers Dr Natasha Moore and Max Jeganathan. Students were also led in a vibrant worship session by David Nduwimana.

On Friday of Week 4, the Senior School along with the Middle School, made a stand against bullying through **Bullying. No Way! Day**. Prefects organised activities at lunch time, including performances of some wonderful music by our talented High School music students. This was a great time of building community whilst standing together for a common cause.

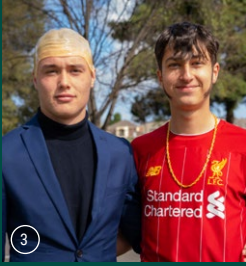
Each house ran their fundraiser for the year, which included: *Dress Up for Thailand* day, a sausage sizzle, hot chocolate van and the sale of homemade popcorn. All monies raised went to supporting each House's Compassion Child for the year.

*Book Week Dress Ups* was another new event to Senior School this year. It was wonderful to see so many Senior School students going to a lot of effort with their costumes and participating in the day.

As we have done for a number of years, we finished the term with the **Big Day In**. This year, the day also incorporated a Staff vs Students Netball game (congratulations students!) and food trucks. As always, this was a fantastic day of fun and celebration of House spirit.

PHOTOS

- 1. Year 10 Bushwalking Camp
- 2. Year 10 Bushwalking Camp
- 3. Bible Society Masterclass
- 4. Bible Society Masterclass
- 5. Bible Society Masterclass
- 6. Big Day In
- 7. Bible Society Masterclass
- 8. Book Week
- 9. Bullying. No Way! Day
- 10. Year 10 Bushwalking Camp
- 11. Year 10 Bushwalking Camp
- 12. Bullying. No Way! Day
- 13. Bullying. No Way! Day
- 14. Bullying. No Way! Day



# Critical Thinking, Collaboration and Communication Development



Among the many learning activities from Term 3, I would like to share about a standout activity for each year level.

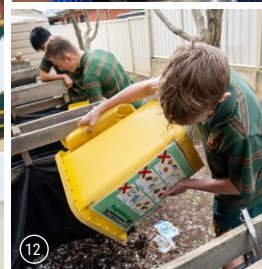
**The Year 7 Poetry Café enabled students to share their poetry beyond the normal classroom environment.** Students appreciated the opportunity to mix across the classes and it was a privilege to visit various groups as students were sharing their work. Students' insights and experiences were wonderfully woven together, and we left the activity with a greater awareness for each other's interests and capacity to communicate using poetry.

**The Year 8 collaborative and persuasive Shark Tank presentations were performed to a judging panel and class audience.** Many interesting and outstanding ideas were pitched. My personal favourite was a smart fridge that could identify the items stored and generate meal plan ideas and recipes for the food that you already have, while also being able to re-order items that run out, and have them delivered. The range of ideas that were pitched was fascinating and it was outstanding to observe the collaboration within the teams. Through the initial workshopping of ideas, to developing the concept and planning how to persuasively communicate, student growth was substantial.

**The Year 9s have undertaken the Learning Blueprint course.** Through Science lessons, students have developed a clearer understanding of the remarkable plasticity of the brain as it continually adapts to learning and our environment. Students have reflected on their identity as learners, and are provided with powerful brain-based strategies to maximise their learning and memory. We are looking forward to our Year 9s applying these strategies to enhance their learning practices as they approach the exam period, and grow in independence as Senior School students next year.

PHOTOS

- 1. Year 7 Poetry Café
- 2. Year 9 Music
- 3. Year 7 Poetry Café
- 4. Year 8 Shark Tank
- 5. Year 7 Design Tech
- 6. Big Day In
- 7. Year 9 Music
- 8. Year 7 Design Tech
- 9. Big Day In
- 10. Year 8 Music
- 11. Year 7 Poetry Café
- 12. Year 9 Humanities
- 13. Big Day In



# Creativity and Immersive Activities



Term 4 has arrived, and it is astonishing how quickly this year is flying by. Term 3 was filled with exciting activities in the Primary School.

**Book Week brought joy and creativity as both students and teachers donned costumes to celebrate the 'Read, Grow, Inspire' theme.**

Our Upper Primary Outdoor Space continued to evolve, with the removal of the fencing allowing students to enjoy their newfound freedom. We are looking forward to the completion of Stage 2.

**The Year 4 classes got their hands dirty with gardening as part of their Design and Technology program.** They explored food production and First Nations' farming practices, planting a variety of vegetables, herbs, and bush tucker in their new garden beds, eagerly awaiting the harvest in Term 4.

**Year 5 students embarked on an excursion to the Adelaide Art Gallery and Museum.** They immersed themselves in Aboriginal Art, participated in engaging workshops, and delved into traditional life pre-colonisation.

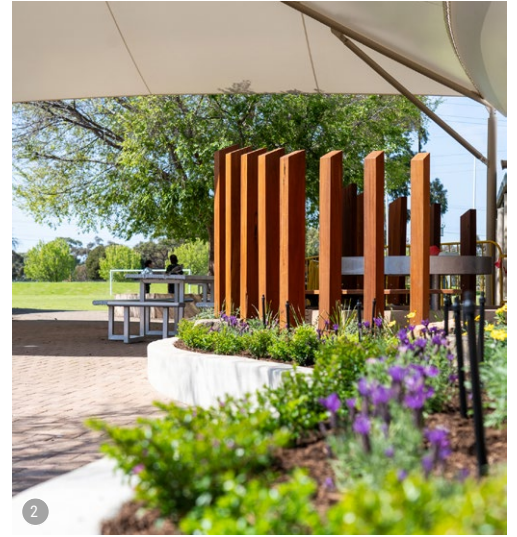
**In the realm of Digital Technology, students used minicomputers to code and create control buttons from wires and scrap materials.** Year 6s coded their own interactive 'Tamagochi' pets.

**El Shaddai hosted the Year 3s for their first camp experience,** where they relished activities like crate stacking, archery, and laser tag.

*Grandparents Day* was another highlight, with cherished guests exploring classrooms and enjoying delicious scones on the gazebo lawns.

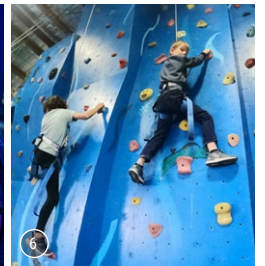
Performing Arts saw an engaging incursion by the *Jam Band*, immersing students in music and interactive dancing. A joyous German Assembly marked the term's end, showcasing students' learning.

Term 3 had so many exciting highlights, and we eagerly anticipate more learning experiences in Term 4.



PHOTOS

- 1. Year 3 Camp
- 2. Outdoor Learning Space
- 3. Jam Band Incursion
- 4. Jam Band Incursion
- 5. Jam Band Incursion
- 6. Year 3 Camp
- 7. Jam Band Incursion
- 8. Year 4 Gardening
- 9. Grandparents Day
- 10. Year 3 Camp
- 11. Grandparents Day
- 12. Year 4 Gardening
- 13. Grandparents Day
- 14. Grandparents Day
- 15. Grandparents Day





## Junior Primary Sports Day

Junior Primary Sports Day was an exciting time for the whole Junior Primary, with Gould clinching the title, showing some solid teamwork.

**But what's even cooler is that all the teams brought their A-game.** The sportsmanship was top-notch, and I couldn't be happier. The day was all about fun and enjoying the team activities, and the final results saw Gould in first place, closely followed by Jackson, with a Laver-Bradman tie for third!

**We loved having parents and friends join in the fun!** Let's keep supporting these up-and-coming athletes and encourage them to stay active, and cheer them on as they continue to make some special memories together!

**Mr Lochie Jackman**, Primary School PE Teacher



## First. Camp. Ever!

The excitement was palpable as the Year 3s boarded the bus in the final week of Term 3, for their first taste of camp freedom at El Shaddai.

**Student expectations were exceeded by the amazing activities, with crate stacking, archery, and laser tag providing copious amounts of adrenaline and fun on the first day.** Free time was consumed with playing Ga-Ga ball, which soon became a favourite amongst the students. To 'wind down' for bedtime, students consumed roasted marshmallows around the campfire and ran wildly around the campsite trying to beat the staff team in a game of *Return of the Dino King*.

After going to bed to gain just enough sleep to make it through the next day, students continued the fun with rock climbing, reptile encounters and the low ropes course. The camp was an immeasurable success, and the students came home exhausted and delighted by their first camp experience!

**Mr Phil Klassen**, Year 3 Teacher



## 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.**

**NOV 2** **Rec 2024 Welcome Evening**  
New families in Reception 2024

**NOV 2** **Yr 5/6 SACSA Table Tennis**  
Selected Students

**NOV 6** **Upper Primary Swim Week**  
November 6–10

**NOV 8** **New Reception Visit 1**  
New Reception students 2024

**NOV 15** **Year 4 Excursion**  
All students in Year 4

**NOV 15** **New Reception Visit 2**  
New Reception students 2024

**NOV 17** **Year 5/6 Touch Football**  
Selected Students

**NOV 22** **New Reception Visit 3**  
New Reception students 2024

**NOV 29** **Primary School Transition Day**  
All students in R-6, 2024

**DEC 5** **Junior Primary Celebration**  
Auditorium, from 6:30pm

**DEC 8** **Student Free Day**  
All students in Primary School

**DEC 11** **Primary School Fun Day R-6**  
All students, various activities

**DEC 11** **Year 6 Graduation**  
Auditorium, from 6:30pm

**DEC 12** **Last day of Primary School**  
Primary School students finish 3:15pm

**DEC 12** **Upper Primary Celebration**  
Auditorium, from 6:30pm

**DEC 13** **Student Free Day**  
School Holidays Dec 13 – Jan 29

**JAN 18** **Get Ready Day! 2024**  
Book Collection for 2024

**JAN 29** **Student Free Day**  
All students

**JAN 30** **Students return for Term 4**  
Primary School starts 8:40am

## CedarNews Print Edition

Welcome to the Term 4 print issue of CedarNews.

The first newsletter of each term is sent home as a printed issue, along with our Around the Campus insert, highlighting some of the events from Term 3. The remaining editions of CedarNews for the term are 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.

## Student Free Day - Term 4

**Friday December 8** is a Student Free Day for all students.

## Final Day - Primary School

**Please note that Tuesday December 12 is the final day for Primary School students for 2023.** December 13-15 are Student Free Days.

## 2024 Agreement Forms

The 2024 Parent & Student Agreement Forms were due back on Monday October 30.

Enclosed with the Agreement Forms are new Medical and Instrumental forms.

Parents/caregivers are required to update and return these forms in readiness for the new school year. If you have not already done so, **please read through, fill-in, and return these forms this week.**



## 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 2023-2024

**Term 4, 2023** - Tue 17 Oct – Tue 12 Dec

**Term 1, 2024** - Tue 30 Jan – Fri 12 April

**Term 2, 2024** - Tue 30 Apr – Fri 28 June

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

**Term 3, 2024** - Tue 23 July – Fri 27 Sept

## Graduation Dates

Graduation dates, for students in Years 12, 9 and 6, are as follows:

### Year 12 Graduation

- Thursday November 23, 7:00pm - 8:30pm.

### Year 9 Graduation

- Thursday December 7, 7:00pm - 8:30pm.

### Year 6 Graduation

- Monday December 11, 6:30pm - 7:45pm  
Graduations are held in the Main Auditorium.

## Celebration Evenings

Our Primary School Celebration Evenings, will be held in December on the following dates:

### Junior Primary (R-2) Celebration Evening

- Tuesday December 5, 6:30pm - 7:45pm.

### Upper Primary (3-5) Celebration Evening

- Tuesday December 12, 6:30pm - 7:45pm.

## Summer Uniform

**Full summer uniform** must be worn by all students from the beginning of Week 3, and hats are compulsory for all students in Term 4.

The Uniform Shop will also be open on **Thursday of Week 3** from 3.00pm – 5.30pm. For further information regarding the summer uniform, please see our Uniform Policy.

## Canteen - Term 4

The final day for Canteen lunch orders will be Week 9, **Monday December 11**. Subway lunch orders will be available on Tuesday December 12.

## 2023 Yearbook

**One copy of the 2023 Cedar College Yearbook will be available for each family at the end of the year** (usually given to the youngest child).

High School students may come to the Front Office to collect theirs from December 13, otherwise they will receive it on Get Ready Day!

**Additional copies of the Yearbook may be ordered from the Primary School Office**, at a cost of \$16 each (Year 12 students will each receive their own copy).

## JP Sports Day Fundraising

Thank you to the many parents/caregivers who contributed toward stocking, and purchasing from, the Sports Day Cake Stall.

Money raised from the sales of badges and food was **\$311**, while **\$300** was raised from Coffee Pod sales. These amounts will be added to the fundraising for our Compassion Sponsor children.

## Term 4 Tuition Fees



A reminder that Term 4 tuition fees were due by Friday of Week 2 of this term, or as an approved payment plan.

**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.

**If your annual fees will not be finalised by the end of the calendar year, it is important that you contact the Finance Office immediately**, as your continued enrolment is based on the timely payment of your school fees.

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

## Year 12 SATAC Reminder

**A reminder for Year 12s to have their SATAC course preferences finalised by December 1.**

**December 1, 2023** - Equal consideration deadline for 2024 Semester 1 courses. Applications must be submitted and paid for by this date to be guaranteed equal consideration for selection.

For further details, please contact our Pathways Coordinator, Mrs Bronwen Burleigh.

## CityReach Youth

# TERM 4

- **03/11 - CAPTURE THE FLAG + ULTIMATE FRISBEE**  
come competitive to win a prize!  
ft. pizza toast - yummm
- **10/11 - BUNKO!**  
get your game faces ready!  
ft. pancakes
- **17/11 - NEON NIGHT**  
let's party!  
ft. spring rolls + dim sims
- **24/11 - AMONG US**  
more details coming soon...  
ft. dessert pizzas
- **01/12 - WATERFIGHT!**  
get keen for epic water games  
ft. pizza pinwheels
- **08/12 - CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL**  
kris kringie, festive games + lights  
ft. grazing table