



# The L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Tattler

THE CSSE SAFETY AND HEALTH NEWSLETTER

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## NEWSLETTER LAUNCHED



Welcome to the School's first Safety and Health newsletter.

The School's Safety Health Committee has reconvened for 2009 and held it's first quarterly meeting on 20th May . Student representation is needed, so the Editor is delighted to announce that Rob Reid, one of our PhD students, has agreed to join the committee and will attend our next meeting. Welcome aboard Rob!

The committee knows that everyone would like to be kept up to date with all current safety and health issues so, The LaTeX Tattler was born.

Each quarter this newsletter will Keep you informed of any relevant safety and health issues, as well as new policies and those that might be of interest to you.

**"We (the committee) knew that all staff would like to be kept up to date with a newsletter"**

### OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the school safety and health committee are:

- To implement the UWA Safety and Health policies within the school
- Safety inspections
- Hazard identification and resolution
- Incident and accident investigations
- Safety Inductions
- Safety training

### NEW POLICY

#### Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy

The Vice-Chancellor recently approved a new UWA Policy on Alcohol and Other Drugs. All staff have been given a hard copy of this policy. More information at [www.universitypolicies.uwa.edu.au/search?method=document&id=UP09%2F5](http://www.universitypolicies.uwa.edu.au/search?method=document&id=UP09%2F5)

### OUR 'POLICY OF INTEREST'

#### Flexible Work and Leave Practices (revised)

UWA offers a range of flexible work and leave arrangements to assist staff to balance the demands of work with other aspects of their life. These flexible options are at the centre of the UWA Life Balance Strategy. Have a look at [www.hr.uwa.edu.au/hr/flexible\\_work\\_and\\_leave\\_practices](http://www.hr.uwa.edu.au/hr/flexible_work_and_leave_practices)

### A REMINDER

All safety and health information is on the School's website [www.csse.uwa.edu.au/safety](http://www.csse.uwa.edu.au/safety). The website holds:

- UWA and school safety and health policies
- School Safety and Health Manual
- Safety Induction information
- Incident and accident forms
- Ergonomics

The school's Safety and Health Committee members are:

- **School manager**  
Rachael Offer
- **Safety Officer**  
Laurie McKeaig
- **First Aid Officer**  
Ryan McConigley
- **Building Warden**  
Nicola Hallsworth
- **Staff Representative**  
Joe Sandon
- **Postgrad Representative**  
Rob Reid

### SWINE INFLUENZA

There is increasing news reporting on human sickness and fatalities from swine influenza (flu) internationally.

Response measures will be made in accordance with any Federal and State Health Department directives should they be implemented.

The University has more information at:

[www.uwa.edu.au/swine-flu](http://www.uwa.edu.au/swine-flu)

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### PLEASE NOTE

The School's evacuation point is now the lawn between the Physics and Geology buildings at the east end of car park 18. Evacuation map on our website