

Hi Alderson Families,

Gymnastics has continued this week and it has been fun to hear from the children about how much they enjoy having this opportunity at school.

Next week at Alderson:

•**Professional Development Day Reminder:** Please note that next Friday, the school will be closed to students due to a Professional Development Day for staff. Ensure to mark your calendars and plan accordingly.

•**Como Lake Relays — Thursday, April 18:** Next week, Alderson will proudly participate in the Como Lake Relays. Our team may be small, but it is fierce and ready to represent our school with pride. The Como Lake Relays are a cherished tradition within our district, eagerly awaited by many. For those planning to attend the Como Lake Relays, we kindly request that you leave your canine companions at home. The event is expected to be highly attended, with numerous participants and spectators, and the safety and comfort of all attendees is our priority.

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June Calendar Changes

Please make the following changes to your June calendar. We have had to move our Sports Day and our School Picnic to a week earlier than originally planned to make room for a Grade 5 field trip. We now have:

- Sports Day on June 5, 2024
- School Picnic (Makin Park) on June 12, 2024

Daily Health Check

Please keep your child home if they are ill and unable to participate fully in routine activities.

2024-25 School Year Registration

If you are planning to have your child attend a different school next year, it is important that you register at that school right away. During April school districts assign staff. Once staff has been assigned there is always a chance that a school will not have space for your child. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child will not be attending Alderson in September.

It is still possible to register your child for Kindergarten if you have not done so yet. Please understand that we cannot guarantee that we can accommodate late registrations. For information about how to register please visit the district website: [New Student Registration](#)

Upcoming Events....

April (all month)	Gymnastics program in the gym—please send your child in comfortable clothes
Thursday, April 18	Como Lake Relays
Friday, April 19	Professional Development Day (School is closed for Students)
Thursday, May 2	Class and Panoramic Photo Day
Wednesday, May 8	Connect to Kindergarten (2024-25 Kindergarten Students) Please note: Current Kindergarten Students will be dismissed at 12:40 on this day.
Monday, May 20	Victoria Day—Schools are Closed
Thursday, May 23	Track and Field Event
Friday, May 24	PAC Carnival!!
Tuesday, May 28 @ 1:30-2:30	Parent Appreciation Event
Monday, June 3	Professional Development Day (School is closed for Students)

School Calendar

There is an overview of the main school dates for the year on our website. Please visit our school website to download a copy. Direct Link: [Alderson Calendar and Bell Schedule 2023-24](#)

Please also check our ecalendar for a complete list of future dates:

www.sd43.bc.ca/school/alderson/Calendar

Refundable Recycling

Division 2 is working on fundraising by processing the refundable recycling for our school. If you would like to contribute to their efforts you can donate your refundables by dropping them off at a local return-it depot.

Locations: <https://www.return-it.ca/locations/express/>

Simply put all your donations into a blue recycling bag, go to the express kiosk and enter the school account phone number:

777 888-7788

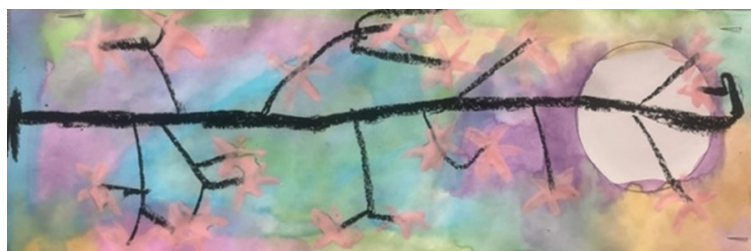
The money they raise will be used to donate to a charity and for a year-end celebration.

Alderson PAC

All parents in our community are automatically members of the PAC (Parent advisory council).

PAC Meeting
Tuesday, June 4 @ 6:00
Alderson Library

Also, be sure to follow our Alderson PAC Facebook page so you are informed about PAC initiatives: <https://www.facebook.com/AldersonElementary/>



Hot Lunch

You can order for the PAC Hot Lunches here:

[Click Here](#)

We are always looking for volunteers to help with hot lunches, if you are available, please let them know through Munchalunch, or email the PAC: aldersonschoolpac@gmail.com

New lunches added to Munch-a-lunch

New Menus have been added to munch-a-lunch. These include **TREAT DAYS** which will be distributed at the end of the school day to each classroom. The first hot lunch scheduled for spring is April 4th (Hot dog day). Please pay attention to the deadlines.

Please note - we CANNOT accept late orders as we have to submit to our suppliers.

Thank you for supporting our school!!

If you need help ordering, please email us at: aldersonschoolpac@gmail.com

If you would like your child to participate in this but do not have the funds to do so at this time please email sdryer@sd43.bc.ca

Place Maillardville

Farewell to Place Maillardville Society

Unfortunately we need to bid a heartfelt farewell to Place Maillardville Society, a cornerstone of our community that has provided enriching afterschool, winter, spring break, and summer camp programs for our children. We want to thank them for their dedication and service to our community – they will be greatly missed.

Looking Ahead: Summer Camp Alternatives

Many families each year signed their children up for camps through Place Maillardville so we wanted to provide some information about other alternatives for our children to learn, play, and grow during the summer:

- **School District 43 Summer Camps:** The SD43 website will soon update with information on summer camps hosted at various schools within the district. Keep an eye out for these announcements.
- **City of Coquitlam Recreation Centres:** A variety of summer camps are available through the city's recreation centers. For more details and registration, visit Coquitlam Recreation.
- **Family Assistance Recreation Program:** Families participating in this program can apply their \$225 credit towards the cost of summer camps, ensuring that fun and learning are accessible to all.
- **Place Des Arts Art Camps:** For the creatively inclined, Place Des Arts offers art-based summer camps. Explore the range of activities and register at Place Des Arts.

As information about camp options come out our attention we will include them in this newsletter.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 43
Learning for a Lifetime

COQUITLAM Summer LEARNING

Summer Learning 2024

Elementary
Eight locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26 9:00am-12:00pm. K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Visual & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!
Free to all BC residents*.

Middle
Three locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26
8:45-11:45am. Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec/Culinary, Integrated studies, English and French Immersion Language Arts, Mathematics, PE/Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, Visual & Performing Arts, and more! Free to all BC residents*.

Secondary Skill Building
Two locations, Tuesday July 9 - Friday July 26 8:30-11:30am OR 12:00-3:00pm. English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Jazz & Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Metal and Wood Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. Free to all BC residents*. These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content OR preview a course. Academic Completion 9/10 (earn a passing mark) also available, by referral.

Secondary Full Credit
Two locations, Wednesday July 3 - Thursday August 8
8:00-11:30am OR 12:00-3:30pm. Biology 11.12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11.12; EAL 10.11; English 10.11.12; English First Peoples 11.12; Mathematics 10.11.12; Physics 11.12; PHE 10; Socials 10.11.
Check out the SOYL full day program on our website!

To Register
Registration begins at 6:00am for ...
- Elementary: Tuesday April 30
- Middle & Secondary Skill Building: Friday May 3
- Secondary Full Credit: Wed. May 8
Phone 604-936-4261 for assistance.
*SD43 Residency requirements apply

WWW.SD43SUMMERLEARNING.CA / Phone 604-936-4261

Courses and locations listed above are subject to change



FREE KICKS!



**NEW TO CANADA?
JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
SOCCER, FUN ACTIVITIES
AND COMPLIMENTARY PIZZA
AND SNACKS!**



REGISTER NOW!

KIDS AGED 5-16
LOCATION: COQUITLAM, TOWN
CENTRE (MOBILIO FIELD)
DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 22ND
TIME: 5:30PM - 6:30PM



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Upcoming Remote Sessions:

- March 26
- April 10
- April 16

[Register Now](#)



Join the Free Kicks Soccer Program!

SHARE is excited to offer **Free Kicks**, a complimentary soccer program for families and individuals who are new to Canada. This is a fantastic chance to connect with other families, make new friends, and enjoy the spirit of soccer.

Registration: Please register in advance to secure your spot. You can find the registration form here. If you encounter any language barriers, assistance will be available to help you with the registration process.

Take care,

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