



## Alderson Elementary

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April 17, 2026

Friday, April 17

PAC treat day – Earth Cookies

Wednesday, April 22

PAC hot lunch day – nuggets

Friday, April 24

PAC meeting – 6:15 pm via Microsoft Teams (see below)

Professional Development Day – school closed for students

*Please regularly check the school website for calendar and event updates.*



***Next Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, is a Professional Development Day in School District 43.  
School is closed for all students.***

### **Como Lake Relay Racers Hit the Paths**

Congratulations to our students in grades 4 and 5 who participated in the annual Como Lake Relays on Wednesday. The weather cooperated and we had sunny skies under which to run alongside teams from other elementary schools from throughout the district. Special thanks to Ms. Wright and Ms. Chung for sponsoring and coaching our runners.



### **PAC meeting next Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The next meeting of the Alderson PAC will be held on Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:15 pm via Microsoft Teams. A link to the meeting will be sent to parents on the day of the meeting.

**Ms. Gosselin Saying Goodbye at the end of April**

It's the end of an era at Alderson Elementary as Ms. Gosselin, our office secretary, will retire at the end of the month. I have only had the brief pleasure of working together and it's clear she is a key part of keeping this place running so smoothly. We will miss her very much but wish her all the very best in the next chapter of adventures. Feel free to say farewell if you're around in the next couple of weeks.

**Huge turnout for Scholastic book fair**

Special thank you to the PAC and parent volunteers who came out to run our annual *Scholastic Book Fair* on Thursday and Friday at this week. The students were super excited – and we're always happy to see kids excited about books! In addition to promoting literacy, your support of the book fair also raises funds for the school to help with special purchases and opportunities. Thank you.

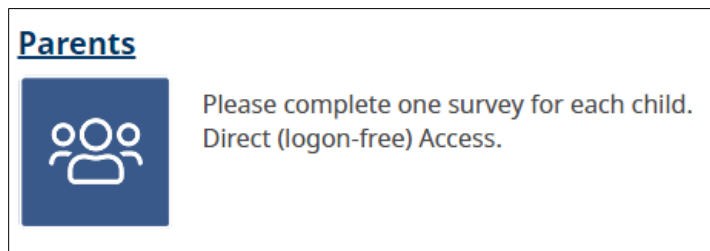
**Student Learning Survey – Parent Version**

Each year, the BC Ministry of Education administers a *Student Learning Survey* to students in grades 4, 7, 10, 11 and 12. The survey is used to gather information about students' experience in the BC education system to help the Ministry plan for future years.

The Ministry also seeks input from parents of students in grades 4 (at elementary) and that's where you come in. We invite you to participate in this anonymous, online survey by following the link below:

<https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>

You will be taken to a logon page. Please go to the *Parents* portion of the page. Click on the menu to select District 43 Coquitlam.



Once you have selected the district, a drop down menu will allow you to select Alderson Elementary.

A screenshot of a "Parent Logon" form. At the top, the title "Parent Logon" is in blue. Below it are two bullet points: "Please complete one survey for each child." and "Direct (logon-free) Access (please select one of the options below).". The form contains three dropdown menus: "District" with "43 Coquitlam" selected, "School" with "Alderson Elementary" selected, and "Language" with "English" selected. At the bottom center is a blue button labeled "Logon".

The survey is open for your feedback until May 2<sup>nd</sup>.



## **ALDERSON FAMILY HAWAIIAN DANCE**



*Alderson School PAC is pleased to hold a Family Hawaiian Dance and Pina Night for all to enjoy.  
There will be a DJ with Sound and Lighting Equipment!*

**Date: Friday, May 22, 2026**

**Time: Dance will begin at 5:00pm and end at 7:00pm**

**\*\* CASH, CREDIT, DEBIT CONCESSION STAND WITH LIMITED FOOD WILL BE OPEN \*\***

### ***THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF EVENT!***

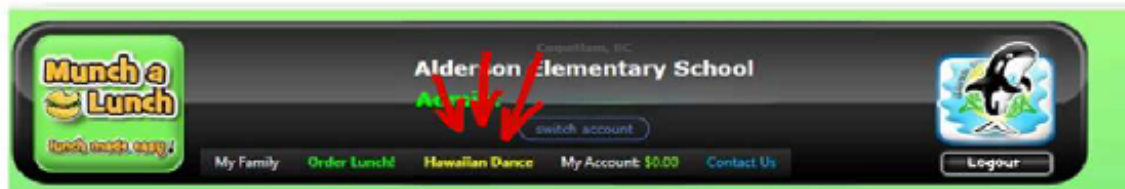
**ALL children must be accompanied by a paying adult or they will be sent home.**

**Children 3 and under are free.**

**As this is a fundraiser, we kindly ask that no OUTSIDE food be brought in.**

### **Secure your FOOD order by PRE-ORDERING on Munchalunch by May 15th:**

**STEP 1: Login to Munchalunch and click "Hawaiian Family Dance"**



**STEP 2: Click on "Hawaiian Dance", add items to your cart and submit payment.**



**We are raising funds to go towards our whole school year end picnic field trip & lunch on Sport's Day for all the students**

**If you have any questions, please send us an email at: [aldersonschoolpac@gmail.com](mailto:aldersonschoolpac@gmail.com)**



# SD43 CLOTHING SWAP

**Start Collecting your swappable clothes NOW!**

**Don't shop—Swap!** Give your pre-loved clothes a second life and find your new favorite outfit for FREE.

**SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2026**

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Location:** Pinetree Community Centre  
1260 Pinetree Way, Coquitlam

## Who can participate?

All SD43 families and friends are welcome. Those that donate will be given VIP entry a time of donation.

## Donation Collection

Spring Break is the perfect time to clean out your closet. Participating Secondary schools will be collecting donations from April 7 - 16.

Please ensure all clothes are clean and in good condition.



**Organizer:** SD43 District Sustainability Leadership Committee - DSL

No price tags. Just Style

Save water and reduce textile waste

Keep the fashion cycle moving within our school





Come on a



# STORYBOOK ADVENTURE



With SD 43 and Ready Set Learn

Come and connect with other families in your community and engage in some story book inspired activities. You will have the opportunity to meet some early childhood experts and local community agencies. For families with children ages 3-5.

Five sessions to choose from:

Wed. March 4 at Birchland Elementary- 10:00-11:15

Tues. March 10 at Cape Horn Elementary- 9:30-10:45

Tues. April 14 at Central Elementary- 1:15-2:30

Thurs. April 16 at Bramblewood Elementary- 9:30-10:45

Thurs. April 23 at Moody Elementary- 1:15-2:30

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE TO ATTEND.

To register [click here](#)



Westcoast Family Centres

For more information, visit [www.sd43.bc.ca/rsl](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/rsl) or call 604-937-6381.

The Ready, Set, Learn initiative sponsored by the B.C. Ministry of Education provides families with an opportunity to make positive connections with the school system and local community agencies.

# ALDERSON SCHOOL PAC

## Hot Lunch & Treat Days



Lunch / Treat Day	Lunch Theme	Order By
Fri March 6th	Subway	Thurs February 26th
Fri March 13th	Treat Day - TCBY	Thurs March 5th
Thurs April 2nd	Treat Day - TCBY	Wed March 25th
Fri April 10th	COBS Bread	Thurs April 2nd
Fri April 17th	Treat Day - Earth Cookies	Fri Apr 3rd
Wed April 22nd	Baked Nuggets	Sun April 12th
Fri May 1st	Subway	Thurs April 23rd
Fri May 8th	Dominos Pizza	Thurs April 30th
Fri May 15th	Melody Market & Sushi	Fri May 1st
Fri May 22nd	Treat Day - Gong Cha	Fri May 8th
Friday May 29th	Treat Day - TCBY	Thurs May 21st
Friday June 5th	Treat Day - Popcorn	Thurs May 28th
Friday June 12th	Treat Day - Cotton Candy	Thurs June 4th
Friday June 19th	Popeyes Chicken	Fri June 5th
Mon June 22nd	Treat Day - TCBY	Sun June 14th