



Alderson Elementary News

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Hi Alderson Families,
Happy New Year!! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season!

We had a great first week back, it has been nice hearing about their holiday adventures.


Please make sure to take a moment to look at our Upcoming Events calendar (link below) so you are aware of the important dates for this term.

Upcoming Events




For information about future events please check our online calendar. As information about each event becomes available, it will be added to the calendar item. Click on the item to read more.

[Alderson Online Calendar](#)





TRANSITION INTO KINDERGARTEN

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 15TH



School District 43 in partnership with Kinsight invite parents and caregivers of preschool aged children with developmental delays, disabilities, and diverse learning needs to an information session focusing on what to expect as your child enters Kindergarten. We will discuss how you can be involved to help make the transition successful for your child, and we will highlight how we will collaboratively work together to ensure your child is feeling connected and successful as they embark on their educational journey.

When: 7:00pm - 9:00pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)
Location: Education Learning Center Room B103/104
1080 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam



Questions? Please contact Colleen Lambert at colambert@sd43.bc.ca
Please note, registration is required. Click [HERE](#) to register

Registration for the 2025-26 School Year

Middle School

Last week a letter was sent home with each Grade 5 student with information about their catchment Middle School. If the school mentioned in the letter is the school you wish your child to attend, no further action is needed from you. If it is not, please follow the instructions in the letter, apply for cross catchment, or see the instructions below to apply for a "Program of Choice".

Programs of Choice

Registration for "Programs of Choice" takes place from **January 9th at 9:00 am to January 15th at 4:00**

PM. Parents considering applying for a program of choice for their child for the 2025-26 school year should:

- ensure that any changes to the student data we have, especially address changes, are in our student information system. Please email alderson@sd43.bc.ca if any changes are needed.
- ensure you have the correct information listed as your child's "catchment" school by utilizing the school district school locator using your current address, and ensure that this is the address we have in our student information system.
- ensure that you have your child's personal education number (PEN) with you when you apply as it is required on both the Programs of Choice and the Cross Catchment applications. Your child's PEN number can be located on their report card or by accessing the MyEd parent portal.
- Parents of children with disabilities/diverse abilities needs should **register using the online registration process**. Please also contact the school to inform them of your child's needs so the school has the appropriate supports in place.

Kindergarten Registration – February 4th – 6th

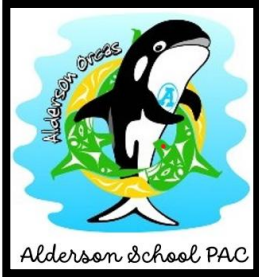
An online registration form will be posted on the Alderson and the District websites for parents to fill out. **Please ensure that you apply at your child's catchment school** (you can check this on the [school locator](#)). School secretaries will be using this school locator to verify that each applicant is in our school catchment. Please be sure to read all of the information and follow the instructions regarding the required documentation for registration.

New kindergarten students who have an older sibling at Alderson are considered "in catchment" even if their address is out of our catchment area. You can apply directly to Alderson without going through the cross-catchment process. **Only those students who are five years of age on or before December 31, 2025 can be accepted for September 2025 enrollment.**

Cross Catchment Process – February 7th to 12th

If you would like your child to attend a school outside of your catchment you need to first register at the school within your catchment and then apply to be considered within our cross-catchment process. To find out about this process please click here: [Cross Catchment Process](#).





Alderson PAC

(Parent Advisory Council)

A **HUGE** thank you to our PAC for the work they do to raise money for our school, and for running the special events that bring our community together. These events are a lot of work – please do your part. You can send them an email if you can help out.

If you have questions about a PAC initiative please email them at:

AldersonSchoolPac@gmail.com



Hot Lunch

Don't forget to put in an order so your child does not miss out!!

If your child would like hot lunch but money is tight for you right now, please speak to Ms. Dryer, (sdryer@sd43.bc.ca)

Munch-A-Lunch!

Lunch Date	Lunch Menu	**Orders Due By**	
Wednesday, January 15, 2025	Hot Dogs	Sunday, January 12, 2025	8:00 PM
Wednesday, January 29, 2025	Baked Nuggets	Tuesday, January 21, 2025	8:00 PM
Wednesday, February 5, 2025	Subway	Tuesday, January 28, 2025	8:00 PM
Wednesday, February 26, 2025	White Spot	Tuesday, February 18, 2025	8:00 PM
Thursday, March 14, 2024	TCBY - TREAT DAY	Thursday, March 6, 2025	8:00 PM

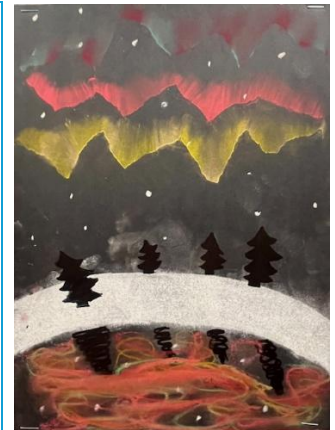
***** Late orders cannot be accepted due to vendor deadlines.*****



Winter Weather Ahead!!

Please ensure you are aware of the procedures when snow happens. I have posted everything you need to know on our website here:

[Winter Weather Ahead](#)



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