



Alderson Elementary News

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Hi Alderson Families,

We have reached mid-January and are working on plans to welcome our new Principal, Mr. Mushens, to Alderson. Mr. Mushens starts at Alderson on February 2nd. Our Grade 5 leadership group has been involved in conversations about what they have valued at Alderson over their years here, and what their hopes are for the future of Alderson. They have also come up with a list of excellent questions to ask him to get to know him better.

Winter Weather Ahead!!



Please make sure that you are aware of the district and school plan for communication in the unlikely event that schools are closed due to wintery weather. You can read about this on the district website:

www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation

Please ensure your child is dressed for any type of weather. We go outside for recess and lunch breaks rain or shine. Occasionally (once or twice a year) we keep the students inside when the rain is extremely heavy or the situation is unsafe. Even on those days it is important that students are prepared to be outside should we ever need to evacuate the building due to an emergency situation.



Division 8

Kindergarten Registration & Middle School Transition

2026-27 Kindergartners

If your child was born in 2021 it is time to registration them for Kindergarten! Registration is from February 3rd to 5th. You can find all of the information you need for registration on the school district's website: <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/Schools/Registration/Pages/default.aspx#/=> .

Please make sure to register during that week so that we can count your child during our planning and staffing process. Later registration is possible, but if you wait we cannot guarantee that we will have space your child.

Grade 5 Students Heading to Middle School

For September our current Grade 5 students will automatically be registered at their "catchment" Middle School. A letter was emailed to you in December letting you know which school your child is automatically registered at. If you believe the school identified is not correct, you will need to provide us with proof of your current home address. It is also important that addresses are correct for sibling applicants.

Cross Catchment Applications

If you want your child to attend Kindergarten or Middle School in a school that is outside your "catchment" area, you will need to apply for cross-catchment between February 6th and 11th. Kindergarten students must first register at their "catchment" school and then apply through this process. You can find out about this process here: [SD#43 Cross Catchment Process](#).



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](#)

Monday, Jan 19 **January Assembly**

Parents are always welcome to attend our assemblies.

Monday, Jan 26 **Professional Development Day**

School is closed for students.

February 3, 4, & 5 **Kindergarten Registration**

If your child was born in 2021 it is time to register for Kindergarten! You can find out more about registration on the school district website: www.sd43.bc.ca/Schools/Registration

February 4 & 5 **Early Dismissal for Student-Led Conferences**

Students will be dismissed at 1:50. Your child's teacher will let you know how to come for your child's conference.

Monday, Feb 16 **BC Family Day**

Holiday – School is closed

Friday, Feb 27 **Professional Development Day**

School is closed for students.





Alderson PAC

(Parent Advisory Council)

Our PAC works hard for our school to provide some extra special and very valued events to our school year that bring our community together. These events are a lot of work – **please do your part**. You can send them an email to find out how you can help out.

You can visit the Alderson PAC page on our website here:

[Alderson PAC](#)

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

AldersonSchoolPac@gmail.com

Next PAC Meeting – TBA

Hot Lunch

Don't forget to order hot lunch!! Please click on the link below to access the lunch platform.

[Munch-A-Lunch!](#)

Lunch Date	Order By Date / Time (will auto-close after) [Timezone: PST]	Lunch Theme
Fri, Jan 16, 2026	Thu, Jan 08, 2026 8:00 PM	01/16 (Fri) - Treat Day - TCBY
Fri, Jan 23, 2026	Thu, Jan 15, 2026 8:00 PM	01/23 (Fri) - Red Robin
Fri, Jan 30, 2026	Thu, Jan 22, 2026 8:00 PM	01/30 (Fri) - Dominos Pizza
Fri, Feb 06, 2026	Thu, Jan 29, 2026 8:00 PM	02/06 (Fri) - Baked Nuggets
Fri, Feb 13, 2026	Thu, Feb 05, 2026 8:00 PM	02/13 (Fri) - Treat Day - TCBY
Fri, Feb 20, 2026	Thu, Feb 12, 2026 8:00 PM	02/20 (Fri) - Hot Dogs
Fri, Mar 06, 2026	Thu, Feb 26, 2026 8:00 PM	03/06 (Fri) - Subway
Fri, Mar 13, 2026	Thu, Mar 05, 2026 8:00 PM	03/13 (Fri) - Treat Day - TCBY

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



LOOKING FOR A TUTOR FOR YOUR CHILD?

Talons Tutoring Program, Gleneagle Secondary

FREE WEEKLY TUTORING

Exciting News! Gleneagle Secondary is offering this year's second round of Talons Tutoring, a **free tutoring service for children grades 4 to 8, taught by students grades 10 to 12**. This program will run afterschool from 4:00 to 5:15 pm, every Tuesday to Friday. Held on Gleneagle's campus, sessions provide a safe, supportive, and engaging environment for your child! If your child is accepted into the program, they will attend tutoring once a week for up to 10 weeks. To sign up and learn more, click on the link to the right and follow @talons_tutoring_ on instagram.

AVAILABLE SUBJECTS

- English
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Languages (French, Mandarin)

Your child's assigned tutor can help with multiple subjects, but choosing one main subject is recommended.

DATES

Round 2 of Tutoring:

Sessions will take place from
February 3rd to April 24th, every
Tuesday - Friday

4:00 - 5:15pm

SIGN UP!

More information is listed here:

<https://forms.office.com/r/k1Ykuv5Y8d>



Sign up is first come, first serve!
Form closes on January 28th.

FOR ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT TALONSTUTORING26@GMAIL.COM



JOIN THE TRI-CITY EAGLES FIELD HOCKEY CLUB - REGISTER NOW

U10 MINI & MITE FIELD HOCKEY

The U-10 Mini & Mites Field Hockey Program is open to girls and boys born between 2016 and 2021 and is a great way to learn, play, and have fun on the field.

The season fee is **\$155** — register before **February 1** and **save \$20** on your season fee! Registration for the Spring season closes **March 31**.

All games and practices are held at Cunnings Field at Town Centre in Coquitlam.

U11 - U18 JUNIORS

Girls born 2008-2015 can join U-11 to U-18 teams in the Greater Vancouver Junior Field Hockey League, playing a fun, exciting, and competitive season from late March to June.

Sign up before **February 1** and **save \$20** on the **\$190** season fee!

U11 - U14 BOYS

The Junior Boys Program is open to players born 2012 – 2015, while younger boys born 2016 - 2021 can join our Mini & Mite programs.

REGISTER NOW

REGISTER NOW AT [TCFIELDHOCKEY.COM](https://www.tcfldhockey.com)

Early Bird Pricing:

Save \$20 if you register by February 1, 2026

Regular Price:

\$155 for Minis/Mites and **\$190** for Juniors

Practices begin immediately following Spring Break

Don't wait – secure your spot and join the fun this season!

