

# The Cedar Reader

## SPRING EDITION

*Welcome to the Cedar Reader!*

### LETTER FROM THE JR. EDITORS

Happy Spring! We hope you enjoy the third edition of the *Cedar Reader*. We had a lot of fun covering February and March happenings at Cedar Drive!

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*Junior Editors*



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### ORANGEARAMA

What is Orangearama? Orangearama is a fundraiser for Mr. McNally's son Graedon. Graedon was diagnosed with cancer when he was three. Graedon liked to collect things such as race cars, rocks, and hockey cards. If Graedon was alive today, he would be twenty-eight. You might be wondering, why Mr. McNally wears lots of orange on Orangearama? Well, Graedon's favorite color was orange, so that's why we celebrate by wearing everything orange!

Thank you for sharing Graedon's special birthday with us, Mr. McNally! We feel very lucky to get to have a birthday party for Graedon and hear all of your stories.

*By Hope S., Samia Q., and Pippa M.  
Divisions 2 and 4*

*Together We Soar - Cedar Drive Seahawks*

## INTERNATIONAL POLAR BEAR DAY

February 27, 2025  
International Polar Bear Day

Did you know that every year, the Hudson Bay Polar Bears walk up to 5000km across the sea ice to search for food and to raise their cubs!



Each Feb 27th, there is a Polar Bear Walk that raises money to protect the Polar Bears. Sea ice is shrinking and melting in the north, and this means there is less space for the Polar Bear to live.

Celebrate International Polar Bear Day by taking a walk with your family and help save the Polar Bears!

*By Carter W. & William K.*  
*Division 4*

## INTERNATIONAL PIG DAY

March 1, 2025  
National Pig Day

Pigs are very smart animals, and not everyone knows this. Some people have pigs as pets, because they can be trained to do tricks.



People celebrate Pig Day by snuggling a pig or reading pig stories.

How did you celebrate National Pig Day?

*By Carter W. & William K.*  
*Division 4*

## CREATIVE CORNER

Every month, some of our student writers write Creative Writing pieces for *The Cedar Reader*. Here are this month's pieces:

### *Love is in the Air*

Lola, a beautiful teenage girl, is so excited to go to the Valentine's Day dance with her boyfriend Luca. They were walking down the hallway when a girl named Anna walked past them. Anna was this stuck-up rich girl who is in love with Luca.

So as usual, Anna walked up to Luca and said "Hey Luca. Have a date to the dance yet?" Then Lola jumps in "Uh yeah, he does! Me!" Anna is shocked by Lola and says "Oh. How nice." And walks away. Luca says "What would I do without you, Lola" "I don't know Luca" responds Lola. "I have to go home" "Ok," said Luca. "Bye".

It was the day of the dance and the whole school was so excited and could not focus all day. Everyone had a date except for Anna. That day the nerdiest boy in school asked Anna to the dance because he also didn't have a date. Anna had no choice but to say yes. In Lola's last class of the day, all she heard the teacher say was "Blah Blah".

Finally, it was the end of the day, and Lola ran out of the school. It was time for the dance! She ran home, got dressed in a very beautiful dress, then put on her earrings, did her hair, and jumped into the car. Once she got to the dance, she met Luca in a very handsome tux. They said hi to each other and held hands as they walked through the gym door.

***THE END***

*By Peyton S. and Hanako M.*  
*Divisions 1 & 2*

# Staff Interview: Mrs. MacDonald

We wanted to know more about the Cedar Drive Staff! This month is everyone's favourite Secretary, Mrs. MacDonald!

## Mrs. MacDonald's Favourite Things:

**Dessert:** Ice Cream

**Flower:** Sunflower

**Singer:** Taylor Swift - She's a Swiftie!

**Colour:** Blue

**Time of Year:** Summer!

**Holiday:** Christmas



Mrs. MacDonald has worked at Cedar Drive for six years. Her favourite grade to work with are the Kindies because they're so sweet and cute. Mrs. MacDonald also likes to meet the new parents when they come in! Watching new families join our school community is the best part of her job.

Mrs. MacDonald has two sons and an adorable cat. She likes to spend time with family, travel, play board games, and read in her free time. Her favourite place she's ever travelled to is Australia!

If Mrs. MacDonald couldn't be the best school secretary ever, she would want to work in our community as a police officer.

*By Hanako M., Braxton A., and Lenya K.  
Divisions 1 and 4*

## Busy Builders at Cedar Drive

*By Dominic F.  
Division 4*

We've got some incredible students with building skills here at Cedar! This tower was built by Dominic. This is what he had to say about his creation:

"It took 10 minutes to build this tower. Ms. Cole helped me build the base, but it was very hard because it kept falling over. The stairs were kind of hard because it took a lot of blocks to build it. I used Keva planks to build it. The train went down the staircase, so then you stop it by yourself then you turn it to go down the next stairs. I hope it makes you want to build something too!"



## FEEDING FUTURES UPDATE

Did you know that right food can make all the difference in your day? Good nutrition not only helps bodies grow strong - it can also help kids focus and improve their behavior.

Proper nutrition gives children's brains and bodies the fuel they need, the brain is complex. It runs all the functions of the body; and in children, it needs to do all those processes and support growth at the same time.

Try to eat a combination of foods that provide vitamins and minerals, energy from carbohydrates, protein, fat, and other important nutrients to support your total health. Stay focused and eat well!!!



*By Teagyn L. and Magdalena M.  
Division 2*

## SCHOOL RULES ARE COOL

Here are the school rules we will review this month from our school's Code of Conduct. We are all responsible for:

- Helping to ensure the school environment is a safe and caring place for all to learn.
- Taking direction as needed from teachers and support staff.
- Engaging in responsible behavior in all learning and school activities.
- Modelling respectful and responsible behavior at school, in the community and while acting as a representative of the school.

Remember, when we go on field trips, away games, Como Lake, or Track and Field events, we are representing Cedar Drive!

*By William K. and Carter W.  
Division 4*

## WOULD YOU RATHER...

This month, we asked 50 of our Cedar Seahawks a few "Would You Rather" questions. Here are the results:

### **Would you rather be water or be fire?**

Water: 27 students

Fire: 23 students

### **Would you rather be a sloth or be a koala?**

Sloth: 26 students

Koala: 24 students

We learned that Seahawks would rather be a sloth made out of water than a koala made out of fire! Thanks for playing Cedar!

*By Arlo H., Ben M., and Darby J.  
Division 4*



## REVIEWS

Every month, some of our student writers write Reviews of books, movies, or music for *The Cedar Reader*. Here are this month's pieces:

### *The Harry Potter Series*

Harry Potter is an amazing book! It is a fantasy book and you will definitely get lost in the story. There are 8 books in the series and each book is thrilling. People who love fantasy and magic will love these books.

The books are a little long, so some people get board. Watching the movie after reading the book can help keep you motivated to read!

**Evelyn's Rating: 4/5 stars**

*By Evelyn P*  
*Division 4*

### *Sonic the Hedgehog 3*

In Sonic 3 we get to meet a new character named Shadow. He is a hedgehog like Sonic, but he is black. Tails, Knuckles, and Sonic work together and are in the movie too.

Shadow is not very nice because he lost his best friend when he was little. In the end, Sonic and Shadow are friends because they both work together to defeat Dr. Egg Man. I would recommend the movie for kids and adults.

**Dominic's Rating: 1,000,000/5 stars**

*By Dominic F*  
*Division 4*

### *The Super Teacher Project*

The Super Teacher Project is a book about some kids at Brightling Middle School who go about their daily lives, sometimes even chaos or some mischief. Here are some of the main characters: Oliver, a legendary rule wrecker. Nathan, Oliver's assistant rule wrecker and friend. Rosalie, a student who's apart of the hocky team and her mom is the PTA president. Mr. Adaict, a knew teacher who never quits and is Brightling's favorite teacher who also is the coach of the field hockey team. Principal Candiotti, a former student at Brightling who a part of the school hockey team and won the state championships. I will end off the list with Mr. Perkins a "student teacher" who looks like he is in his late eighties but in secret he is Mr. Adaict's engineer.

This is how the story starts. It is Oliver's 2nd year at Brightling Middle and all the main character kids are in 7th grade. Oliver is scheming who's his next spit ball victim when the perfect one walks in Mr. Adaict. When Oliver fires the spit ball at Mr. Adaict, he catches the spit ball. That's the first part of the book.

The second part of the book is very exciting. In the Middle Oliver and Nathan wreck the oldest rule in the book: riding a big wheel to school. So, they decide to do it at the Halloween dance when everyone is distracted, they ride the big wheel. Then later they discover that Mr. Adaict was a robot! They get so terrified and nervous, so they keep it a secret. This is the second part of the book.

This is the final part of the book. Some how the secret got out and everyone hates Mr. Adaict. Later everybody finds out that Mr. Adaict's creators are going to scrap him! So, they all work together to save him. Read the book to find out more.

I love the book Project Adaict it can be funny or sad. First, I think there are some frustrating parts. However, there are some parts that make up for it. In my opinion I rate it as 5/5 stars because it genuinely good. This is my opinion on Project Adaict.

*By Arthur B*  
*Division 2*



# Snack Attack!

Welcome to Snack Attack! Each month we'll be teaching you how to make a kid-friendly snack. This month's recipe is a Veggie and Cheese Flower!

## Astria's Veggie and Cheese Flower

### What You Need:

- Cheese
- Hummus
- Naan
- Carrots
- Tomatoes

### Steps:

1. First you cut the naan into a heart shape.
2. Next you spread the hummus on the naan.
3. Third you cut the veggies into flower shapes.
4. Last of all you cut the cheese for the stems and then dig in!



*By Astria C.  
Division 3*

## The Funny Bones

*By Anora M., Lenya K., and  
Astria C.  
Divisions 3 & 4*

**What do you call an angry carrot?**

*A STEAMED veggie!*

**Why do sharks swim in salt water?**

*Because pepper makes them sneeze!*

**What do elves learn in school?**

*The ELF-abet!*

## SPORTS: BASKETBALL BONANZA!

Recently grade 5 basketball started. We have practices on Mondays and Thursdays, and we already have some games!

Here are some:

- We had a home game against James Park on Feb. 20th,
- We had a game at Blackburn on Feb.24th,
- We even had a jamboree at Minnikada on March 4th!



We thank our coaches Mrs. Klement, Mrs. Creightney and Ms. Barlow for teaching us such a fun sport!

*By Audrey Q., Molly J., and Ella C.  
Division 3*

## SPRING BREAK PLANS

This month we asked our Seahawks what their plans were for Spring Break. Here were a few of their answers:

- Hope J. Div.2 'I'm going to the Island to see my aunt.'
- Dominic F. Div.4 'I'm having a sleepover at Science World'.
- Ben M. Div. 'I'm going to Florida'.
- Ava D. Div.1 'I'm going to the Sunshine Coast'.
- Braxton A. Div.4 'I'm going to Portland for a Baseball Tournament.'
- Mac W.Div.1 'I'm going to Hawaii'.
- Makkena G. Div.6 I'm going camping'.
- Evalyn P. Div.4 'I'm going to L.A.'.
- Rogue M. Div.3 'I'm going skiing'.
- Derek N. Div.3 I'm going camping.
- Phillip R. Div.3 I'm going to Costa Rica'.
- Riley S. Div.3 'I'm going to Mexico'.
- Pippa M. Div.2 'I'm going skiing with my cousins.'

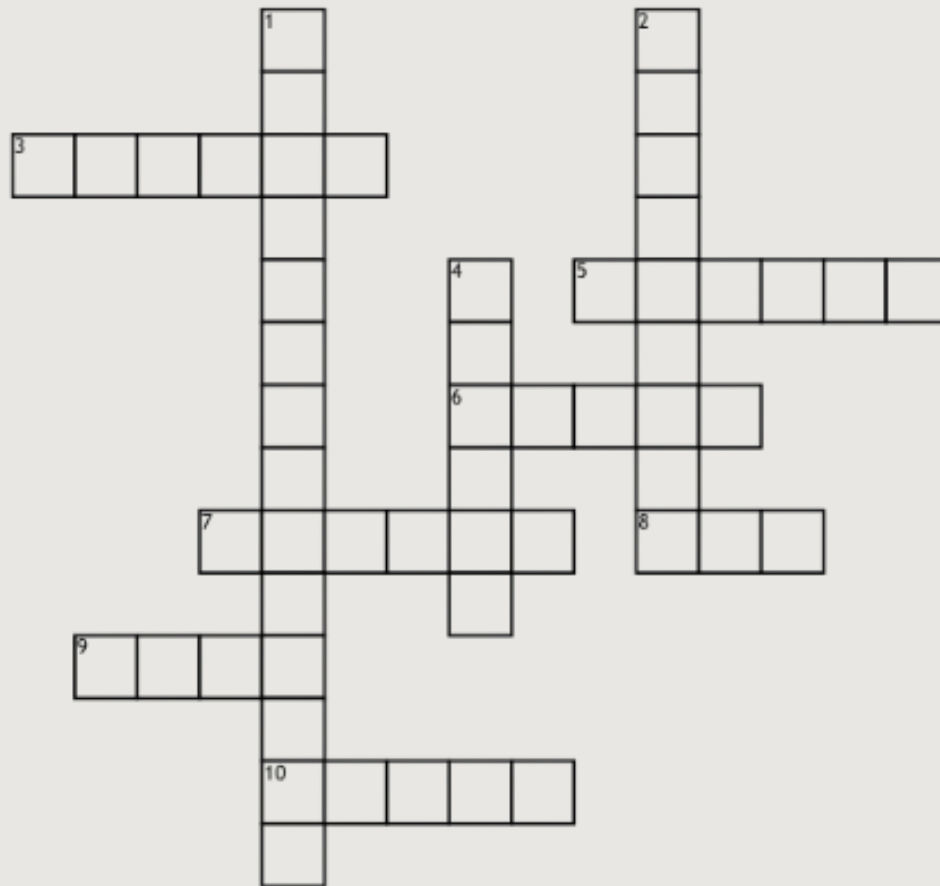


We hope everyone gets to rest and enjoy their Spring Break before coming back for the last few months of school! Have fun, everyone!

*By Audrey Q., Molly J., and Ella C.  
Division 3*

# Spring Break Crossword

By Anora M. and Lenya K.  
Division 4



## Word Bank

Use these words to help you complete the crossword!

**not all of the words need to be used, so make sure to read carefully!**

- Sun
- Skipping
- March
- Leaves
- April
- Snow
- Cherry Blossoms
- Warmer
- Daffodils
- Buds
- Longer
- Warmer
- Pollen
- June

## Down

1. Pink flowers that grow on trees; very popular in Japan.
2. Yellow flowers
4. Green things on trees
9. Things that will soon bloom and become flowers
10. The first month in Spring

## Across

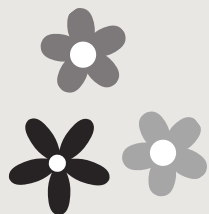
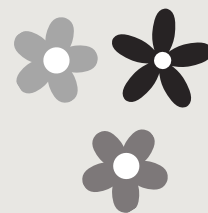
2. The temperature is getting \_\_\_\_\_!
5. The bees are starting to look for \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Easter is in the month of \_\_\_\_\_
7. The days are getting \_\_\_\_\_
8. There is less rain and more \_\_\_\_\_!



# Spring Break Word Search

By Camdyn S. and Jasmine L.  
Division 4

H T R I B E R B G K J N T G D X V M  
M E N I H S N U S R M P U D D L E S  
S K Y Y G X H K A E R B G N I R P S  
R B A B R J G Y A M R R M F H Q Z S  
E B D U F L Z R T A O C N I A R E W  
W T S T L I R Y O R E T S A E H Q C  
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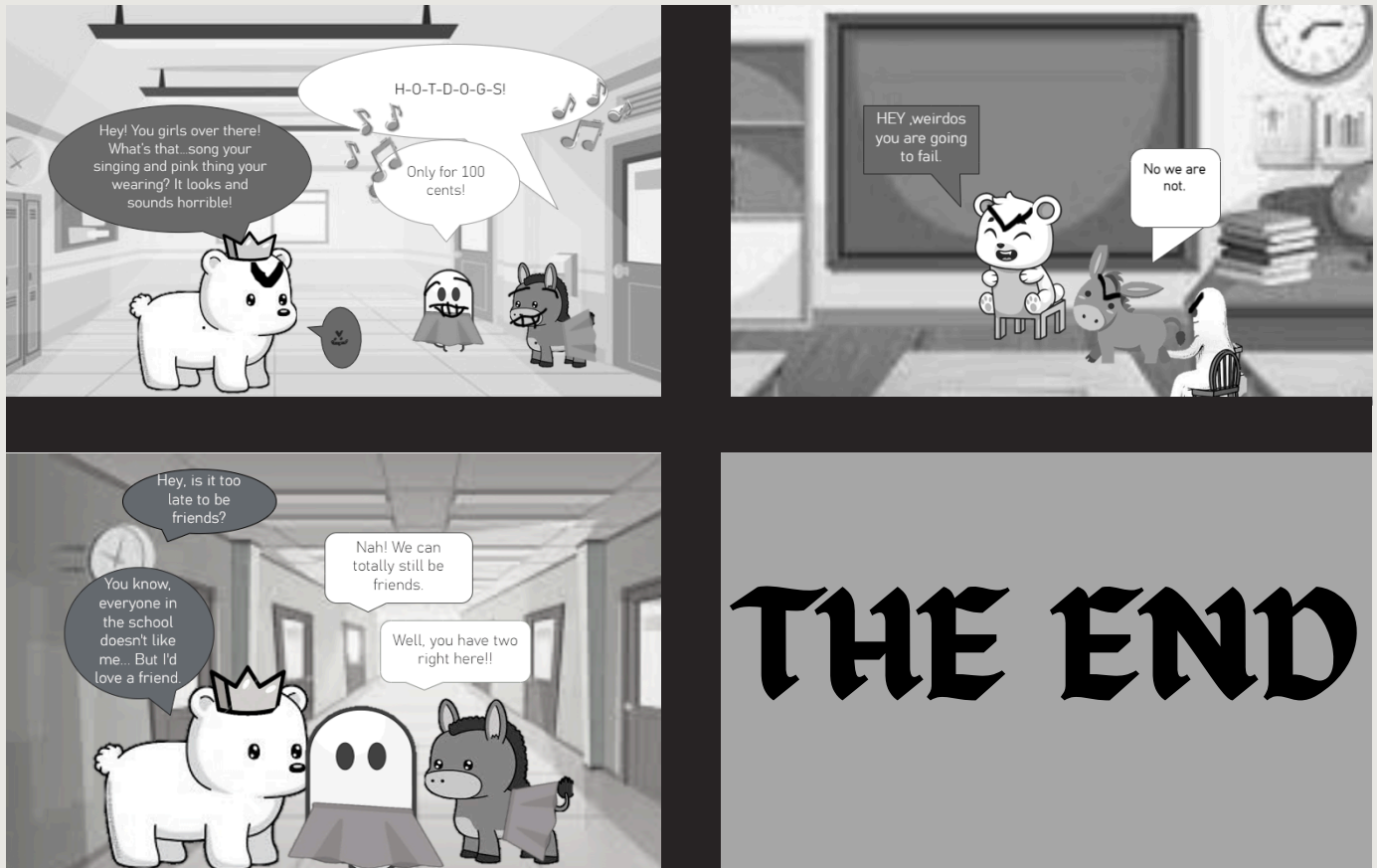


## Word Bank

- APRIL
- BABY ANIMALS
- BREEZE
- BULBS
- BUTTERFLY
- CLEANING
- EASTER
- EGGS
- FLOWERS
- GALOSHES
- GRASS
- GROW
- HATCH
- MARCH
- MAY
- MELT
- NEST
- PUDDLES
- RABBIT
- RAINCOAT
- RAINBOW
- SHOWERS
- SPRING BREAK
- SPROUT
- SUNSHINE
- THAW
- UMBRELLA
- WARMING

# The Adventures of Bella and Sophie

By Mac W. and Charlie M.  
Division 1



Look for Part Three of Bella and Sophie's adventures and even more comics coming out in the next edition of the *Cedar Reader*.

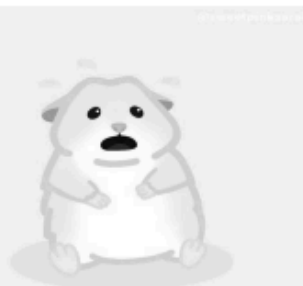
*Together We Soar - Cedar Drive Seahawks*

# NUM Nums

By Evelyn P.  
Division 4



It was Saint Patrick's day tomorrow and peanut was not looking forward to it. Peanut was very scared of Leprechauns



## The Plan



Then Peanut had an amazing idea...

**HE WAS GOING TO TRAP  
THE  
LEPRECHAUN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**  
But then when he met  
the leprechaun he was  
very nice

## Friends



Then they became  
friends and Peanut  
gave the  
leprechaun, named  
Lucky a chocolate  
heart and Lucky  
gave Peanut a lucky  
coin

Watch for the next installment of NUM  
Nums in our next edition of *The Cedar  
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