What's New at Cedar Drive

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Sept 8, 2023

Next Week at a Glance September 11-15

Date	Activities and Events
Monday, Sept 11 th	All students will line up at their NEW classroom door. Bring School Supplies if you didn't order Creative Packs Kindergarten - please continue this week with the gradual entry schedule
Tuesday, Sept 12 th	
Wednesday, Sept 13 th	
Thursday, Sept 14 th	
Friday, Sept 15 th	Terry Fox Run 10:45-12:00

New Information



Please remember to notify the school if your child will be away. Use any of these options, whatever works best for you.

By Phone: 604-941-3481

By Email: damacdonald@sd43.bc.ca

By Online: Absence Report



Please Bring School Supplies Monday Sept 11th

Creative Pack school supplies will be delivered to your child's classroom. If you purchased your own supplies separately, please bring them to school Monday morning.

If you still haven't ordered/bought, please do so ASAP. You can order here.

Terry Fox Run - 2023

Cedar Drive's Terry Fox Run will be held on Friday September 15th. This is Cedar Drives 30th year participating! Our assembly will begin

at 10:45 a.m. and the run will start shortly after. Please join us in the gym!

Our school is collecting donations through both pledge forms and online at this link:

<u>Cedar Drive Elementary - Port Coquitlam, BC | Terry Fox School Run</u>

Donations will be accepted until Friday October 6th, 2023.

Please watch for pledge forms to come home with your child. We are hoping to raise \$2000.00. Can we, do it? Can we exceed it? Last year we raised \$2315.00. Receipts will be provided for donations of \$20.00 or more if your address is provided. Please make sure your child brings a water bottle and is dressed for running September 15th! Hope you can join us for this Cedar Drive community event! We will be holding the run at the Cedar Drive Park (grassy field) right beside the school. We need parent volunteers! Please use this link to sign up and to volunteer: https://volunteersignup.org/WFQ9W



Sept 21st - Open House (6-7pm) Sept 22nd - Pro-D Day (No school) Oct 2nd - Truth and Reconciliation (No school)

School Calendar - Dates and Events are Posted on our Website



View Calendar here

You can also "subscribe" to the calendar and the information will automatically populate to your smartphone.

BC DEMOGRAPHICS SURVEY

We all deserve to live in a province where we have equitable opportunities to thrive. But many of the systems and structures our society is built on turn a blind eye to the unique needs of Indigenous Peoples and racialized people. That's why the B.C. government is running two important initiatives. They're asking everyone in B.C. to fill out the BC Demographic Survey to help identify and eliminate systemic racism from government programs and services. The survey is available online in 15 languages until Oct. 15 and will take about 15 minutes of your time. It is available at https://antiracism.gov.bc.ca/bcdemographicsurvey

The B.C. government is also asking for public input in developing anti-racism legislation that will hold government accountable for addressing systemic racism within its programs and services, and to provide supports to those who have been negatively impacted. No matter what your experiences or background is - your input matters! The public questionnaire is available until Oct. 15 in 15 languages and takes about 10 minutes to complete. It is available at https://engage.gov.bc.ca/antiracism

So, don't wait! Your feedback is anonymous and will help us make our province work better for everyone. Every person's perspective counts.

Sign-Up for Cash-On-Line

(Important for our new Kindergarten students and new students to Cedar)

Features of School Cash Online:

- Pay for student planners, field trips, books, clothing etc. online
- Keep a record of all your payment history
- Complete forms, permission slips, volunteer forms
- Manage all your children's school fees with one account and this account follows your child when they transition to a new school in SD43

Go to https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com

- 1. Click on "Get Started Today"
- 2. Create your account
 - o Enter first and last name; click continue
 - o Enter fields: address, phone number, e-mail address; click continue
 - Choose a password and security question
 - Make sure to <u>OPT IN</u> to receiving e-mail notifications for updated school information

Thank you for your participation and remember if you have any difficulty getting set up please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. MacDonald in the office (604) 941-3481 or contact school cash online support line at 1-866-961-1803.

Messages from the PAC and Grade 5 Committee



Welcome back!

It was great seeing so many familiar faces and many new ones too at the First Day Coffee event! Big thank you to Tim Hortons on Coast Meridian and Lougheed for the goodies.



PAC BBQ

Please save the date for the PAC BBQ on September 23 @4pm!



First Meeting

PAC has two kinds of meetings, Executive and General. The Executive meetings are just for the PAC Executive members. The General meetings are for everyone in our school community! The more folks who can attend a General meeting, the better!

It's a great time for you to find out what's going on at Cedar Drive and it's a perfect time for the Exec to hear from you!

Our first General Meeting is on September 21st at 7:15 (after the school's Open House). Please join us! There will be babysitting available (supplied by PAC). The PAC Executive is voted in at the end of each school year.



Grade 5 Parents

A parent run Facebook Group has been created to connect parents and caregivers of grade 5 students.

Here's the link:

https://m.facebook.com/groups/913669816467437/?ref=share&mibextid=S6

Fundraisers

We have several fundraisers that run year round and others that only go for a few weeks at a time. Here are a list of the fundraisers that are ongoing:



Mabels Labels

Check out Mabel's Labels for personalized, durable, waterproof labels. To support our fundraiser, go to campaigns.mabelslabels.com and select CEDAR DRIVE PAC. 20% of your purchase will go towards our school (at no cost to you)!



Cobs

If you shop at Cobs Bread on Oxford, mention Cedar Drive! Our grade 5's will get a percentage back. Thank you for supporting the grade 5's year end activities!



TruEarth

When you order a TruEarth product, 20% of the total sales value will go to our PAC.

Order here: https://fundraising.tru.earth/cedardrivepac



Halloween Costumes

Clean out your attic and donate your used Halloween Costumes to PAC! Donation bin is at the front of the school, under the PAC calendar on the window. We will be having a costume sale at the end of the month.

