



What's New at Cedar Drive

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Principal's Message

Dear Cedar Drive Families,

As we prepare for winter break, it's hard to believe how quickly this year has passed. I want to extend my warmest wishes to you and your families for a joyful holiday season, and a happy and healthy New Year.

I want to acknowledge the dedicated staff at Cedar Drive, who work tirelessly to support our students, helping them to learn, grow, and thrive. Their compassion and commitment to our school and community are truly exemplary. Each day, our teachers and support staff go above and beyond to create a nurturing and stimulating environment where every student feels valued and encouraged to reach their full potential. Their dedication ensures that our students receive the best possible education and care. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a passionate and skilled team, whose efforts make a profound difference in the lives of our children and the overall success of our school. Thank you for your hard work, enthusiasm, and the positive impact you have on our community.

I am especially proud of our students, who continually amaze me with their kindness, positivity, and empathy. Their willingness to support one another, their enthusiasm for learning, and their genuine care for our school community make Cedar Drive a truly special place. Whether it's through acts of kindness in the classroom, their participation in school events, or their efforts to make everyone feel included, our students embody the values we cherish. They make Cedar Drive a wonderful place to work, learn, and play, and their spirit inspires us all to strive for excellence every day.

I also want to express my heartfelt thanks to the parents and caregivers of Cedar Drive for their unwavering support and partnership. Your dedication to our school community is truly remarkable. Whether it's helping with hot lunches, driving students to and from events, or supervising field trips and extracurricular activities, your contributions are invaluable. Your involvement not only enriches our students' experiences but also fosters a strong sense of community and collaboration. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a committed and caring group of parents and caregivers who consistently go above and beyond to support our school. Your efforts make a significant difference in the lives of our students and staff, and for that, we are deeply grateful.

As 2024 draws to a close, let's take a moment to reflect on our achievements over the past year and look forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead in 2025.

With warm wishes,

Rick Dhaliwal



1st Week of January at a Glance

January 6 - 10

Date	Activities and Events
Monday, Jan 6 th	Welcome Back Lacrosse
Tuesday, Jan 7 th	Lacrosse Kindergarten Dental Screening
Wednesday, Jan 8 th	Lacrosse
Thursday, Jan 9 th	Lacrosse
Friday, Jan 10 th	

New Information



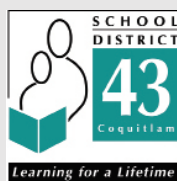
Term 1 Learning Update

Log in to your account [here](#) to view, save, and print your child's report card. Reports cards are only available until July 15. Please make sure you print or save before the end of the year.



Cedar Reader

Intermediate students were given the opportunity to join a Newspaper Club! Ms. Dawson, Ms. Alexi and Mrs. Klement enjoyed working with students to create the very first edition of the *Cedar Reader*. We hope you enjoy the student-created columns, games and other interesting articles! Look for the second edition coming out in January 2025! Read it [here](#)



Program of Choice Applications, Kindergarten Registration and Cross Catchment

[Program of Choice Applications](#) (Jan 9 – 15)

Kindergarten Registration (Feb 4 - 6)

[Cross Catchment Applications](#) (Feb 7 – 12)

The links to the applications will be posted on the school district website

<http://www.sd43.bc.ca>

DISTRICT STEAM CHALLENGE

Starting in November and continuing through December, the District challenged the students to complete a variety of Keva Plank STEAM cards. There were 3 levels to choose from: green (easy), blue (medium) and black (hard). Each Division that attempted the challenge during Digital Literacy was entered into a District prize draw.

An example of each coloured card submitted by Division 10:



Each Division received a Certificate of Appreciation for their contributions.



And “Cedar Drive Grade 1 Division 10” was one of the participants selected to win a prize of \$100 STEAM bucks for our school! Here is District STEAM Coordinator Nicole Cruz presenting the prize:



Thank you to everyone who participated! We look forward to more District STEAM challenges in the new year!

-Mrs. Cristiano



After School Programs JAN - MAR

To register - Go to www.DWUL.io
Search “Cedar Drive”

Choir – [Gr 1–5 Choir](#)

- Wednesdays starting Jan 22nd
- 2:48pm – 4:15pm in the gym

Crafting Club – [Gr K-5 Crafting](#)

- Thursdays starting Jan 16th
- 2:48pm – 4:15pm in the library

Basketball – [Gr 1-5 Basketball](#)

- Tuesdays starting Jan 14th
- 2:55pm – 4:00pm in the gym



Cereal Drive 121 Boxes of Cereal and over \$500

Thank you to our grade 5 leaderships students and our fantastic Cedar Drive community. We collected a total of 121 boxes of cereal and over \$500. The firefighters came and collected all the donations to bring Share today. You are all truly amazing!!!

Messages from the PAC and Grade 5 Committee



The Cedar Drive PAC and grade 5 Fundraising Committee wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful holiday season. See you in 2025!



Red Robin (Friday, January 17) - order [here](#)

All orders must be placed by Thursday, January 9th.

If you would like your child to participate in this hot lunch but the cost of the food poses a financial hardship for your family, please email

rdhaliwal@sd43bc.ca

Have a wonderful weekend!



Dayna MacDonald