



What's New at Cedar Drive

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Principal's Message

Dear Cedar Drive families,

November 20th, we will be having a presentation from Living Rhythm. In Living Rhythm, Joel Hanna and VanTap introduce the amazing diversity of cultural rhythmic styles. The trio plays a variety of instruments including cajón, djembe, bodhran, shakers, claves, and guitar, plus tap dance and body percussion, to weave together the music of Spain, Cuba, Ireland, and Japan, with forays into rhythm and blues, rock, and hip-hop.



Students from Birchland Elementary will be joining us for this presentation, so we will not be inviting Cedar Drive families (we don't have enough room for everyone). In turn, we will be joining their school for a presentation in the Spring, allowing students an opportunity to see another artist. Thank you so much to the PAC, who sponsored the Living Rhythm trio. PAC fundraisers help support our students with extracurricular events like this, and we are so appreciative.

Denise Nembhard (she/her)

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Principal

Next Week at a Glance

Nov 17 - 21

Date	Activities and Events
Monday, Nov 17 th	Last Day to order Neufelds - order here Grade 5 Volleyball Game at Blakeburn K-5 Clay Modeling 2:50 - 3:50pm
Tuesday, Nov 18 th	Early Dismissal 1:48
Wednesday, Nov 19 th	Early Dismissal 1:48 Jersey Day Treat Day - Popcorn (if you ordered) No - Grade 5 Volleyball Practice 3-3:45pm No - Gr 1-5 Theatre 2:50 - 4:15pm
Thursday, Nov 20 th	Living Rhythm Tap Assembly 9:30am Gr K-5 Graffiti 2:50 - 3:50pm
Friday, Nov 21 st	Spirit Day - every Friday Grade 2 Hearing and Screening Last Day to order Gift Cards (order form attached)

New Information

Dress for the Weather

Our students are expected to go out for fresh air at recess and lunch, even when it is raining. As we enter the winter season, *please ensure that your child comes to school prepared for the weather conditions.* We encourage your child to come with a rainproof jacket, pants and an umbrella. It is also a good idea to leave a change of clothes for your child in their classroom. Please note, it is a rare circumstance/occurrence for the school to disrupt parents at work to bring their child a change of clothes.



Jersey Day - Wednesday Nov 19th

This month our theme day is JERSEY DAY!!! Wear your favorite sports team clothing or sports team colours on Friday. This is a just for fun, and completely optional. NO PRESSURE to participate.



Cedar Drive Spirit Wear - Fridays (Blue and Green)

Each month we will have different "theme days" for students and staff to participate in. Watch for upcoming PJ Day, Hat Day, Formal Day etc. However, EVERY Friday will be "Spirit Day" and staff and students are encouraged to wear their Cedar Drive clothing (if they have some), otherwise our colours are Blue and Green and we would love to see those colours represented. All theme days are optional and just for fun, absolutely NO PRESSURE.



Walking School Bus (WSB) – Join Today!

The Walking School Bus is a fun, safe, and active way for students to walk to school together with Walk Leader/Parent volunteers. Families can register to join and help create a healthier, more connected school community.

👉 Register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/EbWdd9GhnD>

SD43 Family & Community Learning Series Session 2

Navigating AI — A Family-School Conversation

November 19, 2025 | 6:30-8:00pm | Online via Teams

In this presentation, we will come together to talk about how generative AI has become part of our lives—in both school and at home.

We will explain what generative AI is in simple terms and show how it is being used in learning and everyday activities. You will also hear about the district's approach to using AI safely and responsibly, with a focus on what's right for students of different ages.

The session will highlight why the importance for students to learn and grow through the process—not just rely on technology to get quick answers.

Parents will be invited to be part of the conversation and see how AI is being used in schools. You'll leave with a clear understanding of how the district is navigating AI, feel informed and included, and start thinking about how your own family uses AI at home.

Registration Steps

Step 1: Register [online here](#) through the SD43 Registration page.

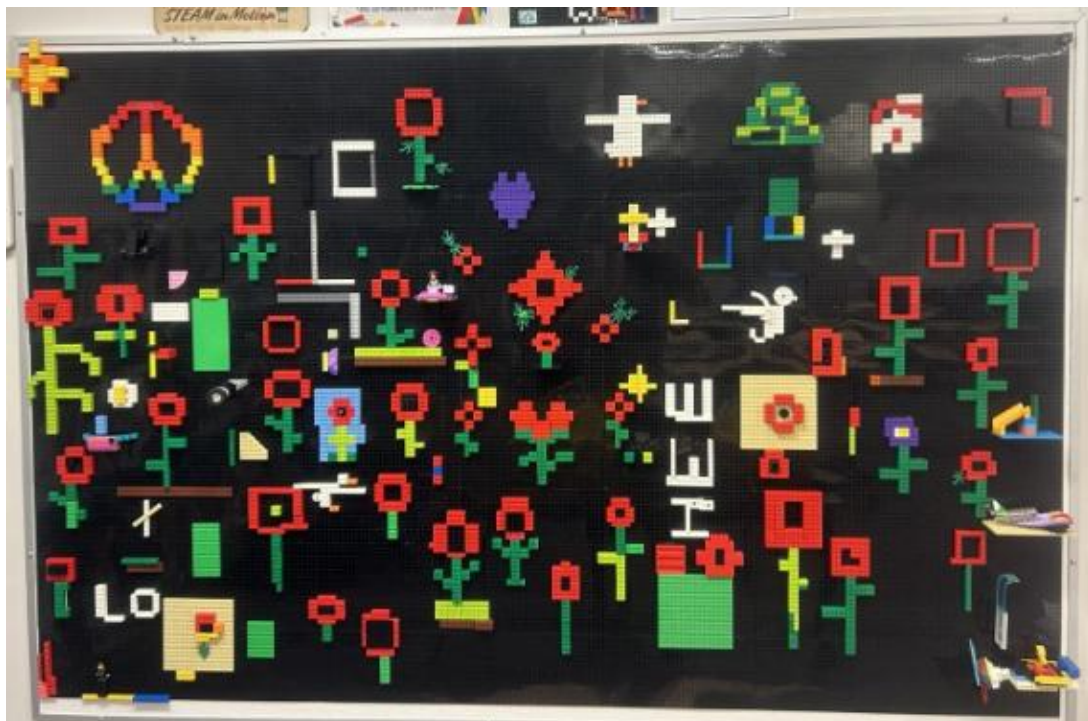
Step 2: You will receive a reply email with the date and a Microsoft Teams link. Make sure to copy/paste the link and date into your calendar.

Send any registration questions to familylearningseries@sd43.bc.ca

LEGO Wall

Here is our peace themed Lego Wall.

Mrs. Cristiano & Ms. Lee Law



Messages from the PAC and Grade 5 Committee



Taco Del Mar - order [here](#)

The Grade 5 Fundraising Committee is pleased to offer the opportunity to order a lunch from Taco Del Mar, on Fri Dec 5th on school cash online. Lunch is optional. All orders must be placed by Thurs Nov 27th. Late orders will not be accepted. 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

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DUE DATE

**NOVEMBER
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Cookie Treat Day - order [here](#)

The Grade 5 Fundraising Committee is pleased to offer the opportunity to order a treat from Cassandra Cake Co. on Wed Dec 17 on school cash online. Treat is optional. All orders must be placed by Thurs Dec 4th. Will not accept late orders. If you would like your child to participate in this treat day, but the cost of the food poses a financial hardship for your family please email dnembhard@sd43.bc.ca

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Neufeld - Order [here](#)

Chicken strips, breakfast sandwiches, cookie dough... there's so many things to stock up on with Neufeld!!
Pickup is **Wednesday, November 26** at 2:30.

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Gift Cards - Order form attached

Looking to stock up on some easy birthday gifts, or some stocking stuffers, holiday gifts for family, friends or corporate teams?! Even ordering a gift card to your grocery store of choice as it helps support your kid's school 😊 We purchase gift cards at face value and receive money back from the gift card company (at no additional charge to you!). Complete the order form attached and return to the school with a cheque or you can e-transfer cedardrivepac@gmail.com
Pickup is **Wednesday, December 3**.

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Purdys Chocolates (Due Nov 24) - Order [here](#)

Host/ess gift, present for the kids, snack on Sweet Georgia Browns while the kids are at school?! Purdy's has so many great treats and sweets available.
Pickup is **Friday, December 5**.

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Have a wonderful weekend!



Dayna MacDonald