

#### What's New at Cedar Drive

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#### Principal's Message

Dear Cedar Drive families,

As we head into December, there's a flurry of activities in the school. Students have really enjoyed the gymnastics unit and are participating in the Spirit Days that the Gr. 5 Leadership class has organized.

December 17 will be our Student Singing Assembly. We will NOT be focusing on specific classes during the assembly, and they will not be leading specific songs. Instead, the focus will be on gathering as a school to sing together before we head to the break.

Learning Updates will be published to MyEd December 18th. The MyEd portal is set up for passwords to expire every 90 days. If you haven't logged onto MyEd since the beginning of the year, I would encourage families to do so, to ensure that you will be able to access the Learning Updates when they are published. Please log in to the portal <a href="here">here</a>.

Denise Nembhard (she/her) dnembhard@sd43.bc.ca Principal



## Next Week at a Glance Dec 8 - 12

| Date                            | Activities and Events  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Monday, Dec 8 <sup>th</sup>     | Gymnastics All Week<br>Cereal Drive & Milk Money All Week      |
| Tuesday, Dec 9 <sup>th</sup>    |  |
| Wednesday, Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> |  |
| Thursday, Dec 11 <sup>th</sup>  | Theme Day - Festive Holiday Wear  RAC Field Trip (10:40-11:45) |
| Friday, Dec 12 <sup>th</sup>    | Theme Day - Spirit Day Grade 2 Hearing Screening Recheck       |

## New Information



Theme Day - Thursday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> - Fun Festive Wear On Thursday Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, we are having another Theme Day. We would love to see some festive outfits. Wear sweaters, t-shirts, toques, holiday pajamas etc, anything you feel is festive for this theme day. We look forward to seeing all the different fun festive wear items that you choose. Parents are welcome to join



in our theme day too. As always, this is an optional theme day and just for fun. No pressure to participate.



#### Cereal Drive

Our Cereal Drive is well underway, and what a great response we have had. Thank you to those who have sent in a box of cereal and/or milk money to support the SHARE Food Bank. We are collecting donations until Thursday, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have continued to keep the flow of traffic moving in our drop off zone. We appreciate your willingness to keep all Cedar Drive students safe. Please note that if a staff member reminds you to slow down or to keep the flow of traffic moving in the drop-off area, it's for the safety of the students. Below are some reminders to keep the flow of traffic moving during the peak morning drop off and after school pick up times.

All drivers are asked to be mindful of the following reminders and requests:

- The lane in front of the school is a Pickup and Drop Off route. *This means you are not able to park and or leave your vehicle.*
- When entering the Pickup and Drop Off lane, pull all the way up to the top of the drop-off zone and have your child safely exit or enter your vehicle. Please do not stop and block the entrance to the Staff Only parking lot, as this prevents our staff members from entering and leaving the lot.
- In the Pickup and Drop Off lane, parents are to remain in their cars and keep the flow of traffic moving, stopping only to have their child safely and independently exit and or enter the vehicle along the curb.
- If your child requires assistance with unbuckling or buckling seatbelts, gathering a backpack/lunch kit and/or opening and closing vehicle doors, parents are to park their vehicle in the front parking lot or over at Cedar Park or at the back of Cedar Drive, and assist their child without holding up traffic in the Pickup and Drop Off Lane.

#### Programs of Choice On-Line Applications for Students entering Kindergarten in September 2026



Opens January 8, 2026 at 9am

Closes January 14 2026 at 4pm

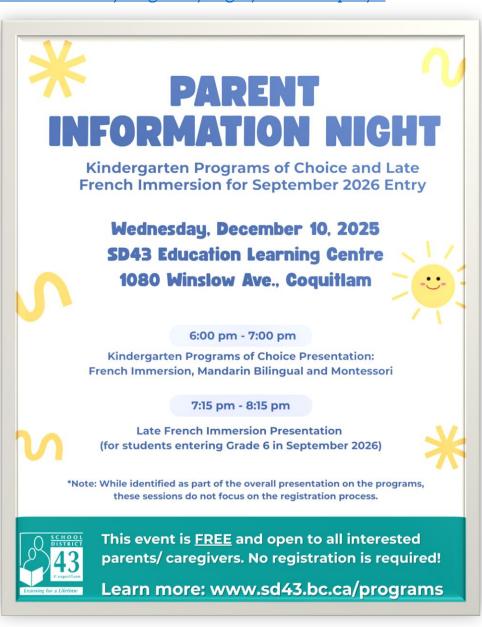
The on-line application link will be posted on the school district website. <a href="http://www.sd43.bc.ca">http://www.sd43.bc.ca</a>. Parents must apply in this time period for their child to be considered for a Program of Choice. Selection will be done by a random

lottery draw with priority given to younger siblings of students who will be attending the Program of Choice at the same school in September 2026. Kindergarten children who are not successfully placed, will be on a waitlist and must register for Kindergarten at their catchment school.

Parents/ Guardians who currently have a child attending a Program of Choice, and wish their upcoming kindergarten child to join must still apply.

Please ensure the school has your most current address.

For more information on Programs of Choice, please visit: http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Pages/default.aspx#/=





## After School Programs JAN - MAR

**To register -** Go to <u>www.DWUL.io</u> Search "Cedar Drive"

#### Math - Gr 1 - 5 Math

- Mondays starting Jan 12<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50 3:50pm in Room 6

#### Basketball – Gr 1-5 Basketball

- Tuesdays starting Jan 1134<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50pm 3:50pm in the gym

#### Art of Cartooning – Gr K-5 Cartooning

- Wednesdays starting Jan 14th
- 2:50 3:50pm in Room 6

#### Hip Hop - Gr 1 - 5 Hip Hop

- Thursdays starting Jan 15<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50 4:15pm in the gym

# Messages from the PAC and Grade 5 Committee



### Grade 5 Hoodies

Hoodies are expected to arrive next week. As soon as they are received, we will distribute to the students right away.

Have a wonderful weekend!



Dayna MacDonald