



## What's New at Cedar Drive

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### *Principal's Message*

Dear Cedar Drive families,

It's hard to believe that we are now heading into Spring Break! I am writing this Principal's message having just had our first snowfall of the year. It's late in arriving, but it was great to see the students sliding about and building snowmen.

Cedar Drive has been a hive of activity these last few weeks. I enjoyed seeing students participating in the Reading Link challenge and being able to so quickly answer questions about the books that they've written. Thanks to Ms. King and Ms. LeeLaw for organising. Many classes have been attending field trips, including to Evergreen Centre for art and to the Anvil Centre for the Coastal Dance Festival. Thank you to teachers for the work in organising the trips and to the families who helped out by driving students and helping chaperone. Today, we held Jump Rope for Heart—a fundraiser for the Heart and Stroke association. Div 1 held an assembly demonstrating different ways to jump rope and have been making daily PA announcements. Thanks so much to Mrs. Darts for organising—it's been great to see students jumping rope during recess and lunch!

Inside the school, we are in the process of getting the hallways painted, refreshing the school and making it look brighter. Thanks to the district painters who have been navigating a hallway full of people and still paint straight lines! When we return from Spring Break and the weather begins to improve, a reminder that we have a second bike rack on the library side of the building.

Whether you are heading out of town, or staying local, I wish all staff and families a wonderful Spring Break. Happy Eid and Nowruz to those in our community who will be celebrating during our break. I look forward to seeing you all back in two weeks!

Thank you,

**Denise Nembhard (she/her)**

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Principal



## Next Week at a Glance

### March 30 - April 3

Date	Activities and Events
Monday, Mar 30 <sup>th</sup>	First Day back after Spring Break
Tuesday, Mar 31 <sup>st</sup>	Kindergarten Dental Screening
Wednesday, Apr 1 <sup>st</sup>	Purdy's Pick Up - 2:30pm
Thursday, Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pancake Breakfast - \$2 donation
Friday, April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Good Friday - NO school

## New Information



### Term 2 Learning Update

Log in to your account [here](#) to view, save, and print your child's report card. Your username should be your email address on file at the school with **43-** in front of it (e.g. [dneumbhard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dneumbhard@sd43.bc.ca) will be [43-dneumbhard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:43-dneumbhard@sd43.bc.ca)). If you have forgotten your password, please click "I forgot my password" to reset it. If you have any questions or are unable to login into your account, please email [cedardrive@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:cedardrive@sd43.bc.ca). **Learning Updates are only available until July 15.** Please make sure you print or save before the end of the year.



### Pancake Breakfast Volunteers and Toonie Donation

We are preparing for our Pancake Breakfast on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. We invite each family to consider donating a toonie per child. With your generosity, Cedar Drive will be able to support a local family whose home was recently lost in a fire. Toonies will be collected Monday through Wednesday during the week of the event.

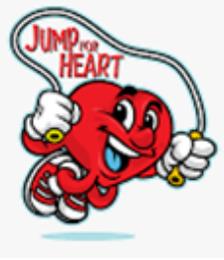
We are looking for 2 parent volunteers per class to handout pancakes, help with syrup/butter toppings, handout oranges and clean-up. **THURSDAY APRIL 2nd 8:30am- 10:30am**

There are only 2 slots available per division, make sure to sign up using this link ASAP <https://volunteersignup.org/DA4BJ>. Please look for confirmation from Ms.Coutino by email in the first week of April.

# SPRING EDITION

*Welcome to the Cedar Reader!*

Cedar Reader Spring Edition  
Intermediate students have worked hard on the Spring edition of the Cedar Reader! Read it [here](#)



Our school is taking part in the **Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser**. Please donate [here](#).

Today was **Jump Day!** You can donate during Spring Break, and your kids can still **be heart healthy and KEEP SKIPPING!**



After School Programs April - June

To register - Go to [www.DWUL.io](http://www.DWUL.io)  
Search "Cedar Drive"

Please reach out to [dnembhard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dnembhard@sd43.bc.ca) if you need partial financial assistance.

## [Clay Modeling for Gr K-5 on Mondays](#)

- Clay Modeling by After School Life- open to Gr. K-5 students
- Mondays starting April 13<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50pm – 3:50pm in Room 6

## [Basketball for Gr 1-5 on Tuesdays](#)

- Basketball provided by RIZE Athletic Academy – open to all students 1-5
- Tuesdays starting April 7<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50pm – 3:50pm in the gym

## [Drama and Acting for Gr 1-5 on Wednesdays](#)

- Spotlight Theatre presents "Alice in Wonderland" by Theatrix Youtheatre Society
- Wednesdays starting April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 2:48 – 4:00pm in the gym

## [Arts and Craft for Gr K-5 on Thursdays](#)

- Arts and Crafts by After School Life – open to Gr. K-5 students
- Thursdays starting April 9<sup>th</sup>
- 2:50pm – 3:50pm in Room 6

# STEAM CHALLENGE

Throughout February and March, the students were given opportunities to complete a Lego STEAM Challenge during Digital Literacy. The students were asked to build the longest structure balancing on a Dash Robot. The winners from each division are:

Div. 12 Allen with 103 cm

Div. 11 Nadiya and Natalie with 128 cm

Div. 10 Oliver and Dante with 105 cm

Div. 9 Radmehr, Dylan and Logan with 113 cm

Div. 8 Cassie, Alistair, Sophia, Zuzu and Esther with 120 cm

Div. 7 Lennox, Gureet, Asrah, Gracie, Ritu, Violet, Kaia, and Lizzie with 146 cm

Div. 6 Arad and Ollie with 123 cm

Div. 5 Sirat, Georgia and Sienna, with 136 cm

Div. 4 Brayden with 95cm

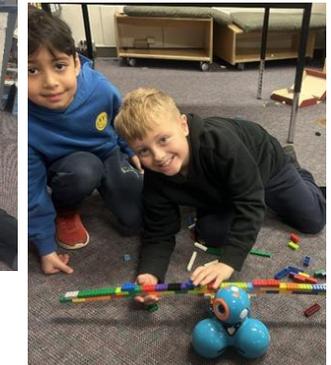
Div. 3 Lincoln J, Logan, Andre and Isaac with 154 cm

Div. 2 Sawyer and Derek with 212 cm

Div. 1 Hazel, Lilyana, Caleb and Arlo with 215 cm

Thank you to everyone who participated!

-Mrs. Cristiano



## Reading Link School Challenge

The Reading Link School Challenge took place on Tuesday, March 10th. The 4 competing teams did an amazing job, and it was a tight competition! Congratulations to the winning team, The Bookworms, who will go on to represent Cedar Drive at the Library Challenge on April 2nd. We are so proud of all of you, Reading Link members!



## Messages from the PAC and Grade 5 Committee



**Yoga in the gym (adults only) - Thursday April 16th - 7pm-8pm - \$20**

Join Prestonne from Yoga Generation for a gentle one-hour yoga class in the gym! Unwind from your day with a soothing, all-levels practice designed to stretch out the stress and melt you into relaxation.

Prestonne—owner of Yoga Generation, yoga teacher since 2011, and mom of three—will be your guide. Fun fact: her oldest, Ray, is a proud Grade 2 Cedar Drive student, so you're basically doing yoga with family. And the best part? **100% of the profits go straight to the Cedar Drive PAC**, so you can feel extra good about every deep breath and downward facing dog.

Bring your yoga mat, your comfiest stretchy clothes, and a water bottle. Arrive on time... we start right at 7:00 pm (because savasana waits for no one!).

To reserve your spot please etranfer your \$20 payment to [cedardrivepac@gmail.com](mailto:cedardrivepac@gmail.com) by Monday April 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Hot Lunch and Treat Day - order [here](#)



Sushi Fu - Fri April 17 - Due Date Thurs April 9

Kernels Popcorn - Wed April 29 - Due Date Thurs, April 16



Hot lunch and Treat is optional. We 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 [dnebhhard@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dnebhhard@sd43.bc.ca)

### **Charity of Choice History**

**25/26 The People's Pantry**

**24/25 Mighty Warriors Foundation**

**23/24 West Coast Kids Cancer Foundation**

**22/23 Starfish Backpacks**



Thank you all so much for joining us last Friday and embracing the spirit of PJ Day with a purpose! It was wonderful to see everyone participating and wearing their pajamas for such a great cause. We're excited to share that, thanks to your generosity and all the coins you sent to school, we raised \$269.65 to donate to The People's Pantry in POCO.

Each year, the PAC selects a different charity to support with the funds collected on PJ Day. If you have a charity that you feel passionate about, or one that we haven't supported in recent years, we would love to hear your suggestions for next year's event.

If you'd like to share your charity idea, please join us at the PAC general meeting in May or September.



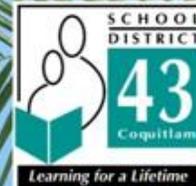
Please place your **PURDY'S** orders by Sunday March 22nd, simply visit the following link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/campaign/000023153>.  
Pick-up for all orders will be on **Wednesday, April 1st**, right after school



Dayna MacDonald



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**NEW REGISTRATION PROCESS:**

Summer Learning registration will be by lottery to ensure fair access for all students. Visit the [SD43SummerLearning.ca](https://sd43summerlearning.ca) for more information about the lottery, registration, courses and locations.

## ELEMENTARY

July 7 – July 24, 9:00am - 12:00pm, 8 locations

K to 1 transition, English for Beginners, Visual & Performing Arts, French Immersion, Integrated Studies, Math, Reading & Writing, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, and more!

*Lottery Registration: April 2 – 8, 2026 (Lottery Draw: Thursday, April 16, 2026)*

## MIDDLE

July 7 – July 24, 8:45am - 11:45am, 3 locations

Band, Guitar, Creative Writing, Drama/Improv, English for Beginners, Guitar, Home Ec Culinary, Integrated Studies, English and French Immersion Language Arts, Mathematics, PE Leadership, Coding (Info Tech), Outdoor Science, STEAM, Tech Ed, Visual & Performing Arts, and more!

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## SECONDARY SKILL BUILDING

July 7 – July 24, 8:30am - 11:30am & 12:00pm - 3:00pm, 2 locations

Non-Credit Face-to-Face classes: English, English for Beginners, IB Math & Science, Jazz & Concert Band, Science, Home Ec, Sewing, 2D Animation, Metal & Wood Tech Ed, Math, Coding (Info Tech), Skills for Success. These non-credit courses may be taken to review previously covered course content or preview a course. Academic Completion 9/10 for Science & Math is only available by school referral.

*Lottery Registration: April 28 – May 4, 2026 (Lottery Draw: Friday, May 8, 2026)*

## SECONDARY FULL CREDIT

July 2 – August 6, 8:00am - 11:30am & 12:00pm - 3:30pm, 2 locations

Face-to-Face or Online Blended Fast Track: Life Science 11, Anatomy & Physiology 12; Career Life Education 10; Chemistry 11, 12; EAL 10, 11; English 10, 11, 12; English First Peoples 11, 12; Mathematics 10, 11, 12; Physics 11, 12; PHE 10; Socials 10, 11, Science 10.

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Free to all BC residents, SD43 Residency requirements apply. Courses and locations are subject to change.