

Dear Cedar Grove Families,

Welcome back and welcome to all our new families. We are excited and looking forward to what a new year of learning will bring. It has been a busy and fantastic couple of weeks back and I have been thoroughly enjoying getting to know the school students, staff and families. There have been some changes at Cedar Grove. Our enrollment has gone up, we went from 10 divisions to 11. It is lovely to see the school growing.

There is a lot going on at Cedar Grove in the next couple of weeks. Please read the important information and check out the PAC corner of the newsletter. Don't hesistate to reach out if you have questions.

With gratitude,

Lia Cuccurullo, Principal

Key Dates

- Sep 19 No School, National Day of Mourning to Mark the Queen's funeral
- **Sep 22** Jess Dance *District has paid for a day of dance classes for all elementary schools, we will be learning street dance!
- **Sep 22** Cops for Cancer 'Tour de Coast'. We are fundraising as a school please bring a toonie (or any donation)
- **Sep 22** Meet the Teacher/ Welcome Back BBQ / A pre-recorded talk with Monique Gray Smith in the gym. 5:00 7:00
- **Sep 23** Terry Fox Run (Whole school) wear running shoes, parents are invited to volunteer, reach out to your classroom teacher please bring a toonie (or any donation)
- Sep 26 Pro D Day, No School
- Sep 27 Picture Day [0]
- **Sep 29** School Commemorates Truth and Reconciliation Day, Students are invited to wear orange shirts
- **Sep 30** Truth & Reconciliation Day, No School. See info below about ways to get involved as a family.



Sep 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation "In this we journey together"

The shishalh nation has invited every family in SD46 to join them in remembering residential school survivors. This is an important way to show solidarity and an amazing learning opportunity for our children. We can be partners with <u>SIYAYA</u> and the shishalh Nation in the hopes for this day. Over 16 groups have partnered with <u>SIYAYA</u> including the District of Sechelt, Town of Gibsons, the Vancouver Foundation, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Residential School Survivors Society and SD46.

The schedule of the event is as follows:

10:00am Commemoration

- •Gather at the Mother and Child monument behind Raven's Cry Theatre (in orange shirts)
- •Walk to the pier where the children arrived by boat to attend St. Augustine's residential school
- 11:30 •Talk at the pier about the significance of that location
- 11: 45 •Walk from the pier to the site of the former school
 - •Remembrance of the survivors
- 12:15 Crosswalk unveiling (ribbon cutting)
 - Students/families/teachers line the sidewalks on both sides of the street
 - 50 youth walk across with survivors (10 at a time for 5 crossings)
- -25 shishalh youth; 25 youth from the greater community
- -50 to represent the 50 First Nations whose children attended at Sechelt

1:00pm• Salmon feast in breezeway of Raven's Cry and in parking lot.

-Expecting to feed up to 500 people

"It may take a million steps to reach reconciliation between our peoples in the shishalh swiya, and right now, we may only be on step 500... but we're on our way."

?akista xaxanak Garry Feschuk

Visit our new website: syiyayareconciliation.ca

https://www.orangeshirtday.org





Classroom Teachers:

Div. 1, 6/7 - Gordon Tultz

Div. 2, 6/7 - Hugo Unwin

Div. 3, 5/6 - Kate Haxton

Div. 4, 4/5 Peter Brampton

Div. 5, 4 Signy Bjarnason

Div. 6, 3 Jen MacInnes

Div. 7, 2/3 Eliina Friesen

Div. 8, 2 Robyn Valenta

Div. 6, 2 Nobyli vaterita

Div. 9, 1 Robert Emmerson

Div. 10, K - Karen Van Bemmel

Div. 11, K - Lorraine Radford

SHARE Program - Katie Mitchell

FIELD Program - Graeme Davies

SHINE Program - Charlotte

Hagedorn

Non-enrolling Teachers:

Jackie Reid - Teacher Librarian/

Literacy Support

Giselle Hood – Literacy Support Jennifer Marquis – Inclusion Support Meredith Bingham – Music Teacher

Suzanne Diamond - School

Counsellor

Office Staff:

Theresa Whalen – Admininstrative Assistant Audrey Barratt – Office Support & Library

Education Assistants:

Tracey Adams

Louise Parent

Claudia Hovden - On leave

Melissa Lyons - On leave

Sabrina Van Der Stelt

Caron Yuong

Anneke Van Swieten-Maissan

Education Assistants, Shine Programs:

Dawn Bartlett

Bill Hume

Kristy-Lee Girard

Custodians:

Bernice Hill

Ben Hancock

Administration:

Lia Cuccurullo - Principal

West Coast Recess



Please send your child to school with appropriate outdoor clothing. Many kids know the benefit of keeping a change of clothes at school

Late or Absent

If your child will be late or absent please call the office at 604-886-7818 and let us know or leave a message. When your child arrives at school they will need to sign in.



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Water Bottles

Students are encouraged to bring a refillable waterbottle to school.



Bell Schedule

8:20 - Doors Open

8:20 - First Bell

8:30 - Instruction Begins

10:15 - 10:35 - Recess

11:50 - 12:05 - Eating Lunch

12:05 - 12:35 - Outside play

12:35 - Class begins for afternoon

2:30 - Dismissal

School Supplies

At SD46 we do not ask families to purchase or pay for school supplies. This ensures that all our students have high quality learning supplies thereby reducing financial challenges for all our families.





Meet the Teacher / Welcome Back PAC BBQ And a Pre-Recorded Talk with Author, <u>Monique Gray Smith</u>

We are so excited to welcome families in the school on Sep 22. The schedule of the event is as follows:

5:00 - Session 1 with your child's teacher

5:30 - Session 2 with your child's teacher **The second session is to accomodate families with more than 1 child at the school

At 5:00, 5:30, and 6:00 there will be a showing of a pre-recorded talk from author Monique Gray Smith in the gym titled 'Strengthening the Bridge to School'. The link will also be shared with families who were unable to attend at school.

7:00 - PAC stops serving food, and begins clean up.





PAC CORNER



Welcome back CGE families!

A quick update from your 2022/23 PAC to let you know about the events and fundraisers kicking off to support our awesome kids. September is always a busy time so let's get to it...

Meet the Teacher Night & BBQ | Thurs, Sept 22, 5 - 7PM | This annual event is a great way to connect with your child's teacher, explore the school and meet your fellow CGE families and will include 3 screenings of a fabulous talk "Strengthening the Bridge to School" by Monique Gray Smith and a cash concession serving hotdogs, chips and drinks. Look forward to seeing you there!

Fundraising to Fight Cancer | Thurs Sept 22nd, Cops for Cancer & Fri Sept 23rd Terry Fox Run. Details will be headed home with your kids. Always a fun couple of days!

Orange Shirt Day | Thurs, Sept 29th | Show your support and wear your brightest orange to school.

Hot Lunches & Popcorn are Back! Starting Monday, Oct 3rd hot lunches will be served at CGE. You can order yours by visiting https://cedargrove.hotlunches.net

Kathleen Colquhoun is our coordinator for hot lunches, please read her message: "Hi everyone! I'm Kathleen, and I am the new hot lunch coordinator this year for Cedar Grove! I'll be working behind the scenes putting lunch orders through and trying to coordinate volunteers. Hot lunch is a major contributor to funding for the school, and we couldn't have it up and running without volunteers! I wasn't sure what volunteering would entail until I did it last year, and it was very manageable, I was volunteering for just over an hour every other week. We have two new vendors who are interested in supplying our school with hot lunch this year, which means we need additional volunteers to help make that happen. If you are interested in volunteering, or if there are grandparents who might be able to help out, please email me at cgehotlunch@gmail.com Thanks everyone!" - Kathleen

Keep It Slow | Please remember our school is in a Playground zone which means 30 km dawn to dusk every day. If you're having a friend or relative help with pick up it's a great idea to remind them as well. Our wonderful 'Go Slow' signs are currently being fixed and should be back on the road in a few weeks.

Calling All Class Reps | Interested in getting more involved at school? We'll be putting out the call for our class reps next week. It's a huge help to teachers and the PAC, and is a fun way to stay up to date on your class activities.

'FUN'draising Campaign | Watch for this super convenient way you can help fundraise for the school while never baking a cookie or packing a lunch! Letters going out end of Sept.

PAC Meetings | 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7PM CGE Library. All are welcome and encouraged to pop in to hear about events, how you can help and get to know the goings on at Cedar Grove!

A huge thank you to our past PAC members and everyone who has signed on for this school year!

- Tamara & Nico, Co-Chair 2022/23 CGE PAC



THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED THIS FALL:

CIRCLE OF SECURITY

For caregivers of children 0 - 6

- Strengthen relationships
- Meet childrens' needs
- · Recognize & make sense of behaviour

Sept. 28th - Nov. 2nd Wednesdays from 9am- 10am Virtually via Zoom or

Wednesdays from 8pm-9pm Virtually via Zoom

BEING PRESENT PARENTING

Find your inner calm in the chaos

Develop skills to respond less reactively & cultivate compassion for ourselves & our children

> Sept. 27-Nov. 1 from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Virtually via zoom

POSITIVE DISCIPLINE

For caregivers of children 2 & older

Learn tools to encourage children to

- Think for themselves
- Be responsible and respectful

Tuesdays from Sept. 27th - Nov. 1st 9:00 am - 10:30 am In Person at the Sechelt Early Years

Centre

or

Tuesdays from Sept. 27th - Nov.1st 9:30 am - 11:00 am

In Person at Gibsons StrongStart

or

Tuesdays from Sept. 27th - Nov.1st 8:00 pm

Virtually via Zoom



Limited childminding available

