

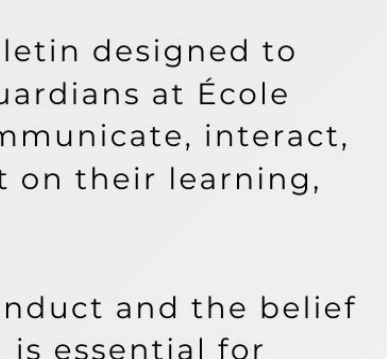
January 9th, 2025

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Hawks Highlights

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| Jan | 13th | Kindergarten Dental Screening |
| | 15th | Black Excellence Day |
| | 16th | Grade 6/7 Cypress Mountain Ski and Snowboard School |
| | 20th/21st | Crêpe Workshops with Le petit atelier |
| | 21st | Grade 7 Basketball Game #1 |
| | 24th | Lunar New Year Celebration |
| | 27th | Pro-D Day - school not in session |
| | 28th | Grade 7 Basketball Game #2 |
| | 30th | Grade 4/5 Cypress Mountain Snowshoe and Tubing |
| Feb | 4th | Grade 7 Basketball Game #3 |

GROWN-UP HAWKS



CAREGIVERS' CORNER

WELCOME!

Welcome to Caregivers' Corner, a dedicated section of our e-bulletin designed to support the incredible community of parents, caregivers, and guardians at École Cedardale. As role models in our children's lives, the way we communicate, interact, and engage with the school environment has a profound impact on their learning, well-being, and sense of belonging.

This section is guided by the values expressed in our Code of Conduct and the belief that fostering mutual respect, collaboration, and understanding is essential for creating a safe, inclusive, and caring school community. Our aim is to educate and empower families to:

- **Promote mutual respect** in interactions between parents, staff, and students.
- **Ensure the safety and success of all learners** by supporting school rules and expectations.
- **Support the school, staff, and learning environment** through positive engagement.

At École Cedardale, we uphold values such as **respect, responsibility, honesty, inclusion, and courtesy**. These values guide all members of our community—students and adults alike—toward actions that contribute to a safe and welcoming environment.

Each week, this section will explore a key topic related to parent behavior and expectations, ranging from playground supervision to communication with teachers. By working together, we can ensure that our school remains a place where learners thrive, families feel welcome, and everyone is treated with dignity and care.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to building a strong and connected school community. Together, we model the values we wish to instill in our learners and support their growth into thoughtful, responsible citizens of the world. Let's soar together, Grown-up Hawks!

Week 1: Playground Use and Active Supervision

Our playground is a vibrant space where learners build friendships and develop physical and social skills. Parents and caregivers play a key role in fostering a safe and positive environment by actively supervising their children before/after school.

Here are some key reminders for playground supervision:

- Stay off your cell phone so you can keep your eyes on your child(ren).
- Ensure your child(ren) is always within eyesight.
- If incidents occur, remember that children are learning and will make mistakes. These moments are opportunities for growth. Address issues peacefully and reach out to the school for support when needed.

The playground is a shared space, and we encourage all adults to model calm, respectful behavior. For those unable to follow these expectations, please note that schools operate under Section 177 of the BC School Act, which ensures safety and order on school grounds.

School Value Focus: Safety and Respect – Move safely, keep hands and feet to yourself, and support an inclusive environment for all.

West Vancouver Schools Registration Opens January 15th, 2025

K-12 registration for both in-district and out-of-district students opens on January 15! If you have students in your family or network who are looking to join our district, please help spread the word about this important date.

West Vancouver Schools offer a wonderful opportunity to be part of a community that values excellence in education. Our schools take pride in creating meaningful learning experiences and providing opportunities that support the growth, well-being, and success of every student. To learn more about registration expectations and processes, please visit our admissions page: **West Vancouver Schools Admissions**

We look forward to welcoming new students and families to our vibrant and supportive school community!

Term #2 Fun Lunch ordering is now open!

Parents can order lunch for Term 2 now, and the first lunch will be on January 13th **[order should be placed by Jan 6th to receive the first lunch on the week of January 13th]**.

MERCREDI d'ESPRIT!

Did you know?
On **Wednesdays** we show school spirit!!
Wear your school gear to show your HAWKS pride!

Get ready to show your school spirit **every Wednesday** at Cedardale Elementary for mercredi d'esprit!

We have reopened the Cedardale store. The order system will stay live until the new year. Orders will be delivered in February with the Pink Shirt Day attire below. [Click here for the Spirit Wear Store.](#)

Join the HAWKS in wearing your favorite spirit wear, including our special **Pink Shirt Day attire (Click here)!**

Personal Digital Device Expectations

As we reflect on the first four months of the school year, we're proud to recognize the progress we've made together in implementing our Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations. Thanks to the collective efforts of our students, families, and staff, we've seen a significant improvement in how digital devices are used in our schools. This has fostered more focused and engaged learning environments, aligning with our shared goal of supporting student success.

This success would not have been possible without everyone's ongoing support and commitment. While we celebrate these strides, it's important that we remain consistent in maintaining these expectations and continue to remind and support students to ensure this positive momentum is sustained.

Why We're Doing This

The purpose of these expectations is to minimize distractions and maximize learning opportunities. Digital devices, when used appropriately, are powerful tools for collaboration, creativity, and communication. However, ensuring they don't interrupt instructional time or disrupt the learning environment remains a priority.

What You Can Continue to Do

Here are some ways families can help reinforce these expectations at home:

1. Celebrate Progress - Acknowledge your child's efforts in adhering to the guidelines and discuss how this has positively impacted their focus and learning.
2. Reinforce Healthy Habits - Continue encouraging a balanced approach to device use at home by promoting activities like reading, outdoor play, and family time.
3. Model Consistency - Show your support by modeling mindful device use when on the school grounds or in the school building AND during shared family time.
4. Support School Communication - Please avoid contacting your child during instructional time, this includes communication through phones and smartwatches. Remind them that non-urgent messages can wait until after school. If urgent communication is needed, please contact the school office.
5. Stay Engaged - Revisit the Parent/Guardian Guide to Personal Digital Devices to refresh your understanding of the expectations and discuss them with your child.

Thank you for your partnership and continued support in making this initiative a success. Add the Personal Digital Device Expectations for the New Year blurb to eBulletins on January 9th and 16th

Personal Digital Device Expectations for the New Year

As we begin a new term, we'd like to remind students and families of our Personal Digital Device (PDD) expectations, which have been key to fostering focused and engaging learning environments. Students are expected to use personal digital devices only with the explicit permission of a teacher or administrator, ensuring their use is intentional and supports learning. Families can continue to support this by:

- Encouraging balanced screen time at home.
- Avoiding calls or texts to students during school hours.
- Modeling mindful device use when on school property and at home.

Let's keep building on the success of this initiative and continue supporting safe, focused learning for all!

Fundraising & Events

Looking for an easy way to support Cedardale while doing your part for the planet? Return your recyclables at Return-It Express Park Royal!

All you have to do is...

- Put your containers in clear plastic bags (70-75 liters in capacity), no sorting needed!
- At the Express depot (like the one at Park Royal), use the Ecole Cedardale account number 604 981 1390 to log in at the kiosk and print your bag labels, remember one label per bag.
- Put a label on each of your bags and drop them off.
- Return-it will sort your containers and credit the school!

• Customer ID: E246330
• Express & Go Passcode: 9HOL

*Click on the image above for an instructional video

After School Opportunities

French Classes

AT ÉCOLE CEDARDALE
GRADE 5, 6 AND 7 IB PYP LEARNERS

WHY SHOULD YOUR CHILD JOIN US?

- TO ENHANCE LANGUAGE SKILLS CRUCIAL FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS.
- TO DEVELOP MORE CONFIDENCE IN THE FRENCH LANGUAGE.
- TO EXPLORE THE RICH TAPESTRY OF FRENCH CULTURE.
- TO CONNECT WITH A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS AND EDUCATORS.

When :

- Mondays and Thursdays
- From 3:15 pm to 4:45

778-302-5243
info@lecoline.ca

Kung-Fu Kids Winter 2025 Session @ Cedardale After School (Wednesdays)

Registration Link (Winter 2025) is now LIVE: <https://forms.gle/vPEExkss7g3LPGAC6>

Looking for an after school program that helps your child develop speed, power, balance and coordination-- as well as gain practical skills in self-defence while having fun? Kung-Fu Kids is resuming sessions this winter!

WHAT'S INCLUDED: Kung-Fu Kids mentorship chat group with online video lessons and tip sheets for both parents and students to watch and train at home, anytime. All students will get a free red silk sash as their uniform and will be taught how to tie one securely, to be worn during class & at performances.

WHAT'S NEW: Our academy has rolled out a report card and grading system so students and parents know their progress and can set goals on how to 'Level Up' their skills. We also have a points reward program that students earn for completing physical literacy and kung-fu challenges each week. They can then use the points to redeem prizes such as custom stickers, sports gear, and even movie passes! Note: The bigger the prize, the harder the challenges to be earned over one or more sessions.

We have 2 programs available on Wednesdays:

Grades K-2: 2:45pm-3:25pm (40 minutes) - Using music, games, storytelling, and essential kung-fu patterns (basic kicks, blocks and punches) to learn about balance, coordination, reaction, and timing to develop better focus, listening, and gross motor function skills. Kids will also learn about respect, communication & understanding among their peers. Certification and graduation will be held on the last day of class.

Fee: \$16/class + GST

Grades 3-7: 3:30pm-4:45pm (75 minutes) - We will begin with a general warm-up, proper stretching, body conditioning and fundamental self-defence techniques in kicking, striking, blocking, and stances/footwork. The main goal is to develop speed, accuracy and power. We will use various modern conditioning and sports equipment, as well as safety gear such as mats, striking pads and kicking shields. Skills and knowledge testing and certification will be conducted on the last day of class.

Fee: \$21/class + GST

If interested please contact James Chang (james@westcoastkungfu.ca) for questions, or to sign-up for a Zoom session.

Register here: <https://forms.gle/vPEExkss7g3LPGAC6>

Hoops Basketball Academy

Basketball and Fitness After School Program (KG – Gr3)
Learn the fundamental skills of basketball in a fun and encouraging environment. Fun and movement is the focus!!

WINTER Registration NOW OPEN

(KG – Gr1) ---- 2:40 pm – 4:00 pm (Mondays)

(Gr1 – Gr3) ---- 2:40 pm – 4:00 pm (Fridays)

After school sessions @ Ecole Cedardale Elementary

For more information and to register, click [Here](#) or visit us at: www.hoopsbasketball.ca

LIGHTS UP MUSICAL THEATRE AFTER SCHOOL AT CEDARDALE ELEMENTARY

Sing Dance Act Shine! At Lights Up After School, your child can experience the joys and benefits of musical theatre by taking part in our afterschool programs led by our talented and experienced Lights Up Musical Theatre Schools staff. These classes are a unique introduction to our weekend musical theatre programs and provide students with an enriching, rewarding, and most of all, fun after school activity right at the bell!

WINTER SHOW! INSIDE OUT!

This Winter, we will be putting on a musical created specifically for our afterschool students! Inspired by the movies of the same name, students will sing, dance, and act their hearts out as they join Riley on a journey through her emotions!

Students are supervised from the bell. No need to pick up your child until 5pm! Performance for parents on the last day of classes!

After School Thursdays
JAN 16 - MAR 13
3PM - 5PM
(K-3 students supervised from 2:40pm)

GRADES: K to 7

Fee: \$365* (*plus GST)

<https://lightsuptheatre.ca/afterschool/cedardale/>

Community Connections

We are changing how we share community news and events. Starting now, individual "Community Connections" will no longer be included in our school bulletins. Instead, all local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) that we'll update and share with you each week.

All school-specific information will continue to be featured in our regular ebulletin.