


## Dates to Remember 2009-2010 Calendar

Dec. 10	Grad Photos (3pm-8pm)
Dec. 10	Pre-school & Primary Christmas Concert (7:00pm) @ Westwood Church
Dec. 11	Primary (11:00am) & Intermediate Christmas Concert (11:00am & 7:00 @ Westwood Church
Dec. 19 -Jan. 3	Christmas Vacation
Jan. 22	End of HS Semester 1
Jan. 25-29	H.S. Final Exams
Jan. 28	H.S. Semester Turnaround Day (HS No School)
Feb. 1	H.S. Sem. 2 Starts
Feb. 5	HS Semester 1 Reports Distributed
Feb. 22	Elem. Report Writing (No School Elem.)
Mar. 5	Elem. Report Card Term 2 Distributed
Mar. 8-19	Spring Break (All No School)
Apr. 2	Good Friday (All No School)
Apr. 5	Easter Monday (All No School)
Apr. 14	HS Term 3 Ends
Apr. 21	HS Term 3 Report Cards Distributed
Apr.22-23	Northern Pro D Conference (No school, K-12)
Apr. 26	H.S. Parent Teacher Interviews (HS 1/2 day)
May 20	Grandparents Day
May 24	Victoria Day (All No School)
June 4	H.S. Grad (HS 1/2 Day)
	Elem. Report Writing (No School Elem.)
June 11	Elem. Sports Day
June 18	Last Day H.S.
June 21-29	H.S. Final Exams
June 23	Last Day Elem. & Year End BBQ (Elem. 1/2 Day)
June 24-29	Admin Days

**Reminder**  
Cedars is a Peanut/Nut Free School.




**Parent Volunteers**  
Please note that you **cannot** drive on field trips, volunteer at Cedars or attend field trips if we do not have your Criminal Record Check form on file. Please pick up a form at the office. There is no charge for this.

# The Cedars Shake

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## Yesterday, Today and Forever

Nicole Kragt, Grade 8 Student  
written for a quiz in English 8  
*-Mrs. Van Calsteren, H.S. Teacher*

The poem, "Nothing Gold Can Stay", means that perfect things, things that are good, fade away and don't linger on, warming the human soul. One such example in my life is chocolate. Once you bite into it, it tastes so yummy but as you eat it the taste and the chocolate dissolve and soon it's all gone. Another example is a baby kitten or puppy; they are so small and seem so perfect, then they grow old and die. They fade away like nothing, and that beautiful, wonderful little bundle of joy is gone - out of life and existence. But there is something wrong with that poem; it isn't correct. Ponyboy recites this poem in the novel the Outsiders. But, Frost

and Ponyboy are both wrong. There is something that is perfect and wonderful, that does stay, helping humans and encouraging them. It is the most powerful thing in the universe. Even love fades away after time but what doesn't is the grace and power of the One and only Holy Lord. Our God lasts long; He is the one who lingers on, stays unchanging, for all eternity. As we celebrate Christ's birth, let us remember He is the Word, the Light of the world, the Alpha and the Omega; He will never leave us nor forsake us. May you rest in Him, and trust in Him, our Rock and our Salvation.

Nature's first green is gold,  
Her hardest hue to hold.  
Her early leaf's a flower;  
But only so an hour.  
The leaf subsides to leaf.  
So Eden sank to grief,  
So dawn goes down to day.  
Nothing gold can stay.

By Robert Frost

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**Christmas Concert**  
**Tonight and Tomorrow**  
**December 10 & 11 at Westwood Church**  
**Pre-School & Primary**  
Dec.10- 7:00pm & Dec.11-11:00am  
**Intermediate (Gr.4-6)**  
Dec. 11-11:00am & 7:00pm

**Important Reminder:**  
The Business Office will be closed from December 19, 2009 to January 4, 2010. If you have a tuition payment or donation that you would like included in the 2009 taxation year, it can be brought to the main office or the business office by December 18th or sent in the mail. If mailed, please be aware that the envelope **must** be postmarked by December 31, 2009 AND the cheque must have a date on or before December 31, 2009 in order to be included.

**Congratulations!**  
Brook-Lynn Kinnee (Grade 7) entered the Poetry Institute of Canada contest and reached the top group of entries. Her poem will be published in "The Treasure Ship", a poetry book filled with verse written by young Canadians. She also has the opportunity to win further prizes after the book is published in May 2010.

**Let It Snow!**  
With the onset of winter, the school is in need of people to help shovel snow. Please contact the office or Mr. Price to volunteer. Thank you!



**All Day Kindergarten**  
Thank you to everyone who returned the surveys. The Education Committee reviewed the FDK optional year possibility and have recommended that Cedars waits until the mandatory year (2011-2012) to implement a Full Day Everyday Kindergarten.

**Math Help!**  
Each WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY morning from 8:00 - 8:25 am, Mrs. Goertzen or Mrs. Fisher will be available to help Grade 3-6 students with their Math. Drop in for some extra help when you need it!

**Times Tables Math Club!**  
Each TUESDAY and THURSDAY morning from 8:00 - 8:25 am, Mrs. Goertzen or Mrs. Fisher will be available to help Grade 3-6 students with their times tables through many activities. Let's get faster and more accurate at the times tables!

**Planners**  
We have extra 09/10 high school and elementary planners. If any parents are interested, please pick one up at the office.

**Save On Gift Cards Fundraiser:**  
Save On Foods gift cards are available at the office. 6% of the cost of the gift cards you purchase, goes to your child's student account (high schoolers only), or into the general school fund.

**Finance Committee Survey**  
The Finance Committee is evaluating our tuition model and would like your feedback. We have compiled a survey which is to be completed on-line. A link to the survey can be found on our website under News -> Development and Finance (<http://www.cedars.bc.ca/news/development.html>). We appreciate you taking the time to complete this survey and provide us with your perspective.



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**2009-2010 Semester 1 Term 1 Honour Roll**

**Principal's List**

**Grade 7**

Brittany Aitken, Kaitlin Alger, Thomas Anton, Josiah Binnema, Tianna Deck, Caroline Dube, Josiah Fisher, Caitlyn Gairns, Sam Goertzen, Daniel Houston-McMillan, Matthew Janzen, Morgan Kearns, Brook-Lynn Kinnee, Reanne Quist, Courtney Serup, Matthew Shipmaker, Landon Uy, Sarah Vaale, Lauren Verity, Hailey Zral

**Grade 8**

Kristin Anton, Natalie Bjarnason, Anne Bourque, Aimee Bumby, Karyssa Church, Sophie Czechmeister, Tamera Dawe, Keaton Friesen, Katherine Fullerton, Ashley Gilkerson, Solomon Goudsward, Meghan Heffernan, Sarah Hein, Joy Hoksbergen, Megan Karpenko, Danielle Klassen, Shannon Kragt, Jessica Landry, Brooke MacDonald, Katie Neuman, Michelle Nikkel, Clarissa Price, Hannah Pudlas, Haley Reich, Chris Stuparyk, Stephanie Toninato, Rylan Uy, Gloria Vander Werff, Alyse Willmann

**Grade 9**

Caleb Bedford, Jonathan Bergstrom, Kathryn Binnema, Marshall Brown, Alexys Church, Nikayla Crichton, Christian Deck, Kayla Eby, Jessica Fisher, Britany Fogtmann, Kayla Gordon, Alisha Heffernan, Ryan Janzen, Jordann Ketlo, Hannah Maidment, Chase Pidherny, Kyle Serup

**Grade 10**

Gera de Fauw, Jessica Fullerton, Janene Giesbrecht, Karly Goertzen, Megan Klassen, Erica Koopmans, Jordan Kwan, Lindsay Lamoureux, Seb Lloyd, Jonathan Pratt, Jeff Pudlas, Morgan Stewart

**Grade 11**

Keaton Gairns, Chelsea Hein, Alanna MacDonald, Brooke Phillips, Hayden Pon, David Pratt, Christie Pudlas, Courtney Reich, Jeremy Rempel, Jonathan Rempel, Carson Stauffer, Mitchell Vaale

**Grade 12**

Anna Brown, Pietr Crandall, Brandon Fogtmann, Katelyn Goertzen, Miranda Hein, Kevin Huolt, Michael Jones, Ashley Law, Chris O'Neill-Wood, Gabriella Presley, Michaela Rempel

**Honour Roll**

**Grade 7**

Eric Derksen, Cameron Edwards, Sienna Greenberg, Alannah Hedges, Joshua Pratt, Jessica Smith

**Grade 8**

Tamara Grenon

**Grade 9**

Andrew Bast, Aaron Bedard, Tyrus Beeton, Elizabeth Czechmeister, Rylee Edwards, Jackie Toombs

**Grade 10**

Anna Bumby, Stephanie Good, Brad Neuman, Kaydee Roberts, Katrina Toninato

**Grade 11**

Thomas Bast, Jason Maidment

**Grade 12**

Taylor Byl, Mandy Jaycox, Kevin Kragt, Gisslenni Levitt, Jordan Nelson

**Honourable Mention**

**Grade 7**

Graeme Houston-McMillan

**Grade 10**

Matthew Worthington

**Grade 11**

Jacob Anton, Caitlyn Bedard, Devon Beeton, Ruth Davis, Aaron Gates, Dirk Greenlees, Jubal Vander Werff

**Grade 12**

Shar-lee Layzell

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