

Dates to Remember 2009-2010 Calendar

Aug. 31- Sept. 4	Staff at School
Sept. 8	First Day (All 1/2 Day)
Sept. 10	Pre-School Orientation
Sept. 11	Welcome Back BBQ & Open House
Sept. 17	YWAM Parent Info. Meeting 7 pm -Library
Sept. 20-26	SALTS (Gr. 12)
Sept. 22-26	YWAM (Gr. 11)
Oct. 8-9	Pro-D Days (All No School)
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving (All No School)
Nov. 6	HS Term 1 Ends
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day (All No School)
Nov. 13	HS Reports Term 1 Distributed
Nov. 16	Elem. Report Writing (No School Elem.) H.S. Parent Teacher Interviews (H.S. 1/2 day)
Nov. 27	Elem. Report Cards Term 1 Distributed
Nov. 30	Elem. Parent Interviews (No School Elem.)
Dec. 18-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. 15-16	Spring Northern Pro-D (All No School)
Apr. 23	HS Term 3 Report Cards Distributed
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

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.



Away Today?

If your child is sick, away on vacation, leaving for an appointment or late, please notify the office by calling, leaving a message on the answering machine or emailing us at office@cedars.bc.ca. Please be sure to let us know every day that your child is away or they will be marked unexcused.

The Cedars Shake

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Transformers:

First You Then Your World

Mrs. Vicki Kibble
Senior Principal

Our school theme this year is "Transformers: First You Then Your World." Romans 12:1-2 is our theme verse which will frame our chapels and devotions:

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will." (Romans 12:1-2 NIV)

True transformation occurs by the renewing of our minds through the power of Christ. Our prayer is that students will learn, commit to and discern biblical truths and values in order to shape the

community and world around them. We will challenge students to be "transformers" in service to Christ.

Our vision of developing the unique potential of each child, to have them internalize spiritual values and live a life of service, fellowship, stewardship, discipleship and obedience to God remains our ultimate goal for Cedars Christian School. The staff enthusiastically looks forward to partnering with parents this coming school year to help in the transformation of our future Kingdom Citizens.

**First Day of School
Tuesday, September 8, 2009
Early Dismissal**

12:00 noon

Schedule for Elementary

8:25 -Teachers greet students at front door; devotions, lessons in classrooms
10:15 -Recess
9:45 -Assembly in Gym
12:00 -Dismissal for the day

Schedule for High School

8:25 -Welcome/Introduction Assembly
9:30-10:15 -Block A/Locker Assignments/
Home Room
10:20-10:40 -Block B
10:45-11:05 -Block C
11:10--11:30 -Block D
11:30 -Dismissal

**Welcome Back BBQ & Open House
Friday, September 11th @ 5pm**

All meals include chips, drink and dessert.

Hot Dog Meal: \$4.00

Hamburger Meal: \$5.00

Steak Meal: \$7.00

Parents are invited to meet the teachers and get acquainted as we begin a new school year. Those who RSVP will have meal tickets set aside to pick up and pay. There will be a second line up for those who have not RSVP'd to order and pay.

Please RSVP by phoning the office or by emailing office@cedars.bc.ca by September 9th at 4pm.

Kindergarten

Please note that the first day of regular Kindergarten classes is September 15th. September 8th and 10th is set aside for 15 minute interviews with Mrs. Bluemink. Please phone the office to book a time.

Contact Information

Please let the office know if you have changed any of your contact information so we can update our records.

Tuition for 2009-2010

A tuition increase was approved at the recent AGM. Tuition for the 2009-2010 school year is:
Kindergarten: \$310/month
Elementary: \$500/month
High School: \$617/month

School Bell Schedule for 2009-2010

Elementary Bell Schedule

8:25 -First bell
8:30 -Class begins
10:00-10:15 -Recess (K-4)
10:15 - 10:30 -Recess (5-6)
12:00 - 12:45 -Elementary lunch
2:45 -Closing prayer & dismissal

High School Bell Schedule

8:30 -Warning bell
8:35 - 10:05 -Block A
10:15 - 11:30 -Block B
11:30 - 12:10 -High School lunch
12:10 - 1:25 -Block C
1:35 - 2:50 -Block D
2:50 - 2:55 Closing devotions/Prayer
2:55 - Dismissal

Office Reminders

Students are not permitted to use the office phone. There is a pay phone for student use in the office hallway, and they are encouraged to bring quarters to school for this use. In cases of illness the office staff will gladly call home for them.

Please note that the office is a very busy place so please be considerate of this. Parents are not permitted in the office due to privacy issues.

Thank you!

Welcome to Our New Staff

Miss K. Buttenaar -Elem. Music & H.S. English

Mrs. A. Scott -Elem. & H.S. French

Teacher Assignment Changes

Mrs. H. Fisher -Elem. Learning Assistance(2 days /week) & Grade 5 (3 days/week)

Mrs. D. Goertzen -Elem. Learning Assistance (3 days/week)

Volunteer Program

In order to keep our school looking clean and well maintained all year long the Board of Cedars Christian School relies on parent participation.

1. In keeping with our present policy, all families are required to volunteer 25 hours each school year.
2. **We ask that each family submit a \$250.00 deposit. Date cheques for June 30, 2010, and submit to the office ASAP.**
3. At the end of June each family that has completed 25 hours of volunteer time will have their \$250 post-dated cheque returned to them. Please record all volunteer hours in the log book kept in the office. **If your 25 volunteer hours are not recorded by June 18th, your post-dated cheque will be deposited.**

School Photos

School photos will be taken October 13th for Grades K-12

Homeschoolers

Reminder to have your registration forms in before September 30, 2009 for the new school year.

Child Seat Laws

All driver's MUST ensure that all children (under 16 years) are restrained appropriately as described below:

Up to one year AND 9 kg (20 lbs.)

-Rear-facing child car seat NOT on a front seat with an active air bag.

Over one year AND 9 kg to 18 kg (20-40 lbs.)

-Forward-facing child car seat. May remain rear-facing if allowed by manufacturer's weight limit.

Over 18 kg (40 lbs.) until 9th birthday unless they have reached 145 cm (4'9") in height

-Booster seat and a lap/shoulder seat belt

-May remain in forward-facing child car seat if allowed by manufacturer's weight limit.

-If no lap/shoulder seat belt, must be secured without a booster seat by lap belt

For more information, please call the Child Seat Info Line: 1-877-247-5551

Parking Lot

1. The speed limit on Preston Rd. is 30km/h. Please obey this limit.
2. Allow space for customers at Howie's Marine to cross the backed up line of traffic. Don't block anybody in the parking lot at Howie's Marine.
3. If Howie's employees are moving boats or other machinery, try to be courteous and allow them space to do their work.
4. Please move up as far as possible to drop your child off along Preston Rd.
5. Do not drop students off in front of the main entrance in the back parking lot. Instead, please drop students along Preston Rd. or park and walk your child through the back parking lot to the school.
6. Please try to avoid turning left onto N. Nechako Rd. from Preston Rd. during peak drop off times in the morning, as this causes worse traffic congestion.

Parent and Student Handbook

Your child will be receiving the new Parent and Student handbook the first day of school. We are asking parents (and students if possible) to read through the handbook, noting our school policies. Students (Gr. K-12) and parents are asked to read and sign a number of commitment and waiver forms found in the planner and **return them to school by Friday, September 11th.** Thank you for your consideration in returning the signed forms promptly.

YWAM Mission Adventure

The grade 11 class will again be participating in the **YWAM Missions Adventure in Downtown Vancouver on September 22 -26**. This 3 day mission trip (plus 2 days travel) will include an introduction to the city and a downtown plunge. (ie. Experiencing the city as a homeless person) We will assist in a “roses to prostitutes” ministry one evening. One day will be ministry time, a prayer walk, service evangelism, and a service assignment in a downtown church ministry centre. A tour of several temples in the area is planned for one day and will help students understand the religious and multicultural mosaic of downtown Vancouver.

YWAM staff have successfully hosted similar missions for many years. They have developed an effective ministry for teens as well as for the poor in a downtown setting.

Our prayer is that this trip will help us address the “life of service”, the “internalizing spiritual values”, and “develop their unique potential” components of our mission statement. Another goal is to develop and strengthen student leadership and maturity in our older student body. The trip is a great bonding experience as they begin their senior years.

There will be an important parent information meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17th at 7:00 PM in the library. The meeting will go over the itinerary and answer any questions regarding this trip.

The YWAM class is as well responsible for the **BBQ on Friday, Sept. 11th**. Students as well as parents will be asked to volunteer to make this happen. Proceeds will go to help cover trip expenses.

08-09 Yearbook

If you purchased a yearbook last year and have not yet picked it up, please do so at the office.

SALTS - Almost Ready to Sail

Our plans are just about finalized and the fund raising is complete! We are ready to sail. If you haven't made your final payment for SALTS yet, please do so as soon as possible. The business office at Cedars is now open and you can come in any day to finalize your account. Notices were sent home in June showing the state of your account. If you need this information, please phone Patti at the business office. You must be paid in full before you can go on SALTS.

Congratulations to all those students who paid for their entire trip by working last spring on sweeping parking lots, raking leaves, cutting grass and cleaning yards. It was great to see our students work so hard in the community to raise the funds for this exciting trip. Thank you to all the parents who helped our students succeed in their fund raising efforts.

Make sure you have collected all the gear you will need for the trip and reviewed your sailing handbook. If you haven't completed your online registration, please do so as soon as possible (parents too). We are departing on September 20th at 8am from the Cedars' parking lot. We then travel to Delta and stay overnight at Delta Christian School. We take the early morning ferry on September 21st and board the Pacific Swift at 10am in Victoria. We sail from September 21 to 25, get numerous tours of Victoria on Friday and head back to Prince George on Saturday, September 26th. Pray for a great trip of spiritual renewal for our grads as they embark on this incredible experience.

Pre-School Orientation

Thursday, September 10th. Drop in between 5:30-8:00pm at the Evangelical Free Church. Children welcome!

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2008-2009 Semester II Honour Roll

Principal's List

Grade 7

Kristin Anton, Anne Bourque, Aimee Bumby, Karyssa Church, Sophie Czechmeister, Katherine Fullerton, Solomon Goudsward, Megan Heffernan, Sarah Hein, Megan Karpenko, Danielle Klassen, Shannon Kragt, Jessica Landry, Brooke MacDonald, Michelle Nikkel, Hannah Pudlas, Haley Reich, Stephanie Toninato, Rylan Uy, Gloria Vander Werff, Sava Yungman

Grade 8

Kathryn Binnema, Marshall Brown, Alexys Church, Elizabeth Czechmeister, Christian Deck, Kayla Eby, Jessica Fisher, Britany Fogtmann, Kayla Gordon, Alisha Heffernan, Ryan Janzen, Tiara Kerr, Melissa LeClerc, Chase Pidherny, Jesse Pike

Grade 9

Alisha Alger, Tyler Currie, Gera deFauw, Amanda Dumoulin, Jessica Friesen, Jessica Fullerton, Janene Giesbrecht, Karly Goertzen, Megan Klassen, Erica Koopmans, Jordan Kwan, Lindsay Lamoureux, Brittney Mathers, Jonathan Pratt, Jeff Pudlas, Kaydee Roberts, Morgan Stewart, Katrina Toninato

Grade 10

Crystal Friesen, Keaton Gairns, Cameo Kerr, Melody Kostamo, Alanna MacDonald, Laura MacFarlane, Hayden Pon, Christie Pudlas, Courtney Reich, Jeremy Rempel, Jonathan Rempel, Carson Stauffer, Mitchell Vaale

Grade 11

Anna Brown, Brandon Fogtmann, Miranda Hein, Kevin Huolt, Michael Jones, Chris O'Neill-Wood, Michaela Rempel

Grade 12

Katlyn Bast, Colton Beeton, Anna Brink, Marianne deFauw, Dan Giesbrecht, Adam Jaycox, Chris Law, Tim O'Neill-Wood, Allix Pidherny, Linden Pon, Craig Pudlas, Rachel Riemer

Honour Roll

Grade 7

Natalie Bjarnason, Dylan Good, Nicole Kragt, Katie Neuman, Stefan Paulson, Clarissa Price, Alyse Willmann

Grade 8

Jonathan Bergstrom, Nikayla Crichton, Brittany Lafon, Kyle Serup, Jackie Toombs

Grade 9

Tim Giesbrecht, Maya Henley, Stephanie Jones, Chris Potts, Spencer Price

Grade 10

Thomas Bast, Ruth Davis, Dirk Greenlees, Resa Hayes, Brooke Phillips, Chris Winwood

Grade 11

Mitchell Brown, Taylor Byl, Pietr Crandall, Katelyn Goertzen, Mandy Jaycox

Grade 12

Zach Judson, Stuart Lloyd, Sara Wall

Honourable Mention

Grade 7

Keanna Edwards

Grade 8

Caleb Bedford, Tyrus Beeton, Hannah Maidment, Taylor Riemer, Erica Stavinga, Caitlin Zacharias

Grade 9

Ryan DaSilva, Stephanie Good

Grade 10

Jacob Anton, Caitlyn Bedard, Johnny Dixon, Nicole Musey, Anita Stavinga

Grade 11

Shar-lee Layzell

