

## Dates to Remember 2009-2010 Calendar

Sept. 17	YWAM Parent Info. Meeting 7 pm -Library
Sept. 20-26	SALTS (Gr. 12)
Sept. 22-26	YWAM (Gr. 11)
Sept. 29	Hot Lunch
Oct. 8-9	Pro-D Days (All No School)
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving (All No School)
Oct. 17	Work Bee
Oct. 19	PAC Meeting
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. 10 & 11	Christmas Concert at Westwood MB Church
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.

### 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](mailto: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

September 17, 2009

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## Facilitating Godly Transformation in Our Students

Mr. Winston Price  
High School Vice Principal

Last week, I had the privilege of facing 19 young, bright-eyed, eager to please Grade Seven students during our devotion time. In seeming contrast to the mood of the class, the challenge of the devotions I was reading was for young people to resist the, "Nobody's - Going - To - Tell - Me - What - To - Do - Thief" and the damaging effect on personality when a proud and unteachable attitude is allowed to take hold in our lives. Did I pick a non-relevant lesson for this particularly nice class?

As I discussed the devotions topic with the class, I remembered how quickly these newly emerging high school students change emotionally, physically and mentally over a short period of time, and how confusing that can be. I realized that these students are in so many ways vulnerable to negative and damaging influences of the world during their formative years, and that many of these same students will be challenged to maintain a Christ centered attitude and personality in the

future. A battle for their hearts and minds will take place, and we at Cedars will need to do all we can to provide the teaching, direction, leadership, care and discipline to these students. It is our duty, mandate and pleasure to do so. The Cedars community should help build into our students the tools needed to recognize and deal with temptations, to make good decisions and to resist poor attitudes that are contrary to Godly transformation. We are on the front lines in the battle for the hearts and minds of our students. By the looks of our current Gr. 7 class as an example, it will be well worth the effort!

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. James 3:13

### Welcome Back BBQ

Thank you to Mr. Wiens, the Grade 11 YWAM students and their parents for organizing and serving at the Welcome Back BBQ last Friday. This was a great community event!

### Work Bee

Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
9:00 am- 12:00 pm

We are starting to plan our Fall Work Bee. We are hoping for a very productive work bee day. Write this day on the calendar and bring the family to help us maintain OUR school! **Volunteer hours can be counted toward the 25 hour volunteer time amount proposed by the school.** Please bring a rake, shovel, work gloves, strong arms, serving spirit! Refreshments will be provided.

Thanks, The Maintenance Committee -Joel Uy, Gerry Karpenko, Ian Hedges, Jim Brown, Kevin Bedford, Howard Anton, Rick Neufeld, Winston Price



### School Photos

School photos will be taken October 13th for Grades K-12. Mark it on your calendar!

### Office Reminders

Students are not permitted to use the office phone. There is a pay phone for student use in the office hallway. **As of September 11, 2009, it now costs 50 cents to make a call on a pay phone. Students should have a few quarters at school for phone 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!

### Notes From the Business Office businessoffice@cedars.bc.ca

**Tuition-** September tuition is now due! Please visit Patti or Michelle in the Business Office to set up a PAD agreement.

**Volunteer Cheques-** Volunteer cheques should be in for each family. If you haven't brought yours in yet, please do. The cheque should be for \$250 and dated June 30, 2010. The cheque is only cashed if the required 25 hours of volunteer time has not been completed.

**IMPORTANT-** In the interest of being fiscally responsible and good stewards of our resources, the Business Office will be closed Mondays beginning Monday, September 28th. Business Office hours will be Tuesday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

### School Bell Schedule for 2009-2010

#### Elementary Bell Schedule

- 8:25 -First warning bell
- 8:30 -Class begins
- 10:00-10:15 -Recess (K-3)
- 10:15-10:30 -Recess (4-6)
- 12:00-12:15 -Lunch in classrooms
- 12:15-12:45 -K-6 Play outside
- 2:45 -Closing prayer & dismissal
- 2:45-3:10 -Supervision

Parents are asked to pick up students promptly before supervision is over. Students left on the playground after 3:10 pm will not be supervised.

#### High School Bell Schedule

- 8:25 -Warning bell
- 8:30-10:00 -Block A
- 10:00-10:15 -Break
- 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

### Contact Information

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

### Fall Fair COMMUNITY EVENT

Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 5-8 pm

Every family needs to provide 1-2 hours volunteer time and bring 6 items for the bake sale or preserves/jam - more info to follow at the end of the month. Clean out your kids toy box and donate small toys to our prize box - collection bag in school office.



### Homeschoolers

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

### Need Volunteer Hours?

You could work in the school store at lunch to eat up some of those volunteer hours. For more details, please leave a message at the office or see Mrs. August

### 08-09 Yearbook

The 2008-2009 Yearbook is available to purchase at the office for \$25.

### We're Online!

To keep up to date with what's going on at Cedars, check out the Shake online at- [www.cedars.bc.ca](http://www.cedars.bc.ca)

### London - Paris - Florence - Rome Spring Break, 2010

Its not too late to sign up for the high school trip to Europe over spring break. Mme. Coull wants to encourage you to sign up by September 27th for the best price. Please see her for eligibility and application process. This is not a French-only field trip, but is open to high school students in Grades 9-12.

### 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.

### Milk Program

Sign up sheets will be handed out to elementary students and available for pickup for high school students in the next week.

The coordinator is looking for help distributing milk one day (Wednesday or Thursday) a week (11:15-12:15). Please contact Jill Greenless at 250- 981-3390. Counts towards your volunteer hours!



### 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.

### PAC

All parents welcome to attend. Next meeting is Monday, October 19th at 7:00 pm.

### From the Elementary Athletics Director

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

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



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