

May 2nd, 2022

Newsletter # 14

We Are Nut Aware!

We Are Scent Aware!

EDGEWOOD NEWS

**For All You Star Wars Fans - May the "Fourth" Be With You!
This Week, May 4th – Theme Day!**

IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday, May 3rd
Outdoor Club Ends

Wednesday, May 4th
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May the Fourth Be With You
– Star Wars Theme Day
District Battle of the Books
for Red Cedar Readers
Ready, Set, Learn Begins
9-10:15 am

Friday, May 6th
Relays at Masich Place
12:45-3pm ish
PAC Hot Lunch

Tuesday, May 10th
PAC Meeting 7pm
Onsite and Zoom

Thursday, May 12th
Ice Cream Sandwich Sale
Grade 7 Fundraiser

Monday, May 23rd
Victoria Day
School Closed

Tuesday, May 24th
Hunniford Plant Pick-up

Friday, May 27th
PAC Hot Lunch

Thursday, June 9th
Welcome to Kindergarten
3:00-4:15

Friday, June 10th
Primary CSL Day
No school for Divisions
1,2,3,4,5

Monday, June 14th
Intermediate CSL Day
No school for Divisions
6,7,8,9

Office Hours

8:00 am to 3:30 pm
Monday to Friday

Principal's Message

*At Edgewood we recognize we are on the
unceded, ancestral lands of the Lheidli
T'enneh.*

Hadih (hello), Edgewood Parents!

We ended the month of April with a little bit of everything, cool mornings, sun, rain, some hail. It was a mixed bag for sure. It was good timing for a **community clean-up** which saw our whole school out working together to clean up the garbage around our school. The grounds now look great thanks to everyone's effort. It was wonderful to have everyone together for a common goal such as this.

Our **extended Earth week** allowed for more time to collect books for the **Book Swap**. Children love to get books that are new to them. Thank you for all the donations. The **litter free lunch/take your garbage home** was our opportunity to bring awareness to the volume that can occur in lunches from packaged products. This endeavor came without judgement as we know it can be a challenge at times to have completely litter free lunches. Swim passes were the draw prizes for this. The least garbage class competition saw a tie with Divisions 1 and 3 who have each won an extended recess this week.

This week ahead, our first of May, has competition opportunities for our **Red Cedar Battle of the Books Team**, consisting of Axel, Eli, Jaelah, Evy, Julia, Tatum, Sophie, and Sophia S. We wish these readers the best of luck this week at the District competition. Our grade 3-7 **relay runners** will compete on Friday afternoon at Masich Place. It is so exciting to have a return of this event, live with other schools.

For those super fans of **Star Wars**, we will once again welcome the "force" on May 4th, this Wednesday. Students may dress up or wear their favorite Star Wars attire. So fun!

It is going to be an aMAYzing month ahead!

Health and Safety Need to Knows:

COVID - 19 School Protocol Update

There have been no changes since our last newsletter. Thank you for continuing to do daily health checks with your child/ren.

Emergency Drill Practices

Last week we got in our 3rd of 6 required Fire Drills. Wow were we efficient. We were out and accounted for in 6 minutes. That must be a record.

Over the next two weeks, we will practice the other emergency drills (lock down, hold and secure, shelter in place, room clear). These are required to be practiced 2x a year, once in the fall and again in the spring. We will also remind students that 3 whistles in a row while outside means wildlife is in the area and to come immediately to the nearest entrance into the school. This will also get practiced. Having conversations at home prior to and after such drills really does make a difference.

Words Can Hurt - Language Matters

Our focus at Edgewood has always been on using kind word and actions. It is very common at different developmental ages for children to experiment with language. Swearing, homophobic, racist and sexualized language is becoming more common among an array of ages at school and on the bus. More often than not, students do not know the meaning of some of the words they are using. They have overheard it, but don't understand the significance, hurtfulness, or inappropriateness. With all the medias children are exposed to, they are hearing language, often with out explanation or context. It is our job as the adults in their lives to monitor this content, have meaningful learning conversations and model for them what we expect from them. Thank you for working with us on this.



Edgewood Eagles

SOAR

**Safety, Ownership,
Achievement, Respect**

Themes of the Month

Fairness

Safe Start

If your child is going to be **late or absent**, please call the school and leave a message, complete with your child's full name, grade, and teacher. Calls home are made for those students not in attendance to ensure their safety and whereabouts

Supervision

Morning supervision
8:15 – 8:30
After school supervision
2:27 – 2:42

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PAC News

We thank the following parents for taking on these important leadership roles for your child's school.

Chair: Danielle Davis
Co-Chair: Meghan McGibbon

Secretary: Marian Berg
Treasurer: Ethan Hoffman

Being a part of PAC is one important way to be involved in your child's school experience and help build community. There are many ways to be involved.

Please visit our school website for updated meeting minutes, financial reports, and agendas.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 10th 7pm BOTH ONSITE AND ZOOM
Zoom info available on the website.

PAC Hot Lunch Update

Orders are taken via the online order system called "Munch-a-Lunch". You can order for up to three hot lunches in advance. If you need help navigating Munch-A-Lunch or need an alternative, contact PAC or the school.

Munch-A-Lunch closes 11pm the Sunday before the hot lunch day.

Next Hot Lunches May 6th, May 27th, June 9th

All hot lunches have been uploaded to Munch-A-Lunch.

Next Popcorn Day - TBA

New Playground Equipment Update

Not surprising, costs have gone up for both supplies and service. PAC is supporting a "donation drive" to help offset these Pandemic related cost increases.

BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program & BC Dairy Foundation

Deliveries have resumed. We recently had another apple delivery. We thank PAC for continuing to support this program for our school.

Annual General Meeting Notice!

PAC's AGM is schedule for _____

This is a very important meeting. Please attend if you can.

May Birthdays

We wish all our staff and students having a birthday in May, the happiest of birthdays. Birthday pencils were given out on the day of our monthly assembly.

Robbie A., Theo C., Gracie C., Sophia C., Korbin D., Leyna D., Henrik K., Paige L., Payton L., Jamie M., Jack O., Blakely P., Silas S., Olivia S., Avery W., Wyatt W., Mrs. Gabriel and Mrs. Morris, Ms. Lutz



Yearbook Cover Contest 2022!

It's Back! The 4th annual yearbook cover contest. Students of all ages are encouraged and welcome to submit one or more entries.

Criteria

- Paper size 8.5 by 11 with a 1 inch border,
- portrait view (up and down)
- Year 2021/2022,
- name of our school,
- correct spelling and capital letters where needed
- an Eagle and SOAR included somewhere
- The 7 Sacred Teaching/ monthly virtues represented in some way
- Whole space inside used
- neatly coloured and/or shaded
- Artist's first name and last initial on the front, bottom right hand corner

Submissions are due Friday, May 20th, 2021

May's Theme of the Month: Fairness

Did you know that fairness has been researched to show that it is an essential virtue that teaches kids to do the right thing according to educator, author and researcher, Michele Borba. In her book, Building Moral Intelligence: The Seven Essential Virtues That Teach Kids to do the Right Thing, fairness is defined as the virtue that urges us to be open minded and honest and to act justly.

Kids who have developed these traits play by the rules, take turns, share, and listen openly to all sides before judging, and, according to Borba, kids who do these things live their lives ethically. She also believes that this virtue heightens kids' sensitivity to moral issues. They have the courage to stick up or speak up when they see unfairness regardless of race, culture, appearance, gender, economic status, or ability. A child who learns fairness will be much more tolerant, accepting, civil, understanding and caring according to Borba.

Students have learned in previous assemblies this year and during collaborations that fairness is not always about everyone being treated equally, but everyone getting what they need to be successful. Equity vrs Equality. When a person strives to be fair, it takes many qualities including: courage, honesty, kindness towards others, humility and empathy. These are all qualities that we have focused on throughout the year with students. These are all important foundational character traits our children need.



