

Little Cedars Elementary School

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Our fundamental purpose is to create a student-centered learning community that welcomes everyone as we educate students to live in a democracy.

September 24th, 2009

Dear Families,

We have had a busy two weeks at Little Cedars. It has been so nice seeing so many of you at the evening events we have had!

Many of you saw that our school was in the television news on Wednesday evening on KIRO and on KOMO. I want to reassure you that we have *not* had any more spikes in our absenteeism since early in the week. I will continue to communicate with you any important changes that take place regarding the flu, but for now things seems to be holding steady. If you are keeping your child home because they are ill, please be sure to call our attendance line at 360-563-2920.

Please know that you can contact our school nurse, Rose Flaherty, at any time if you have questions about the flu or any health related concern you may have. You can reach her at 360-563-2911 or at rose.flaherty@sno.wednet.edu There is also information on our school district webpage at www.sno.wednet.edu.

On another note, Kindergarten parents and new parent to our school-we had our first evacuation drill of the school year today. This is something that we practice frequently during the year so that we can evacuate the building quickly and safely in case of an emergency. We also practiced earthquake drill procedures in the classrooms. Please reassure your child that these drill some of the many things that we do at school to keep them safe. We will be having a lock-down and large scale emergency drill later in the school year. We will notify you in advance so that you are aware that these drills are going to take place.

Partnering with you for your child's success (and good health! J),

Becky Brockman
Principal

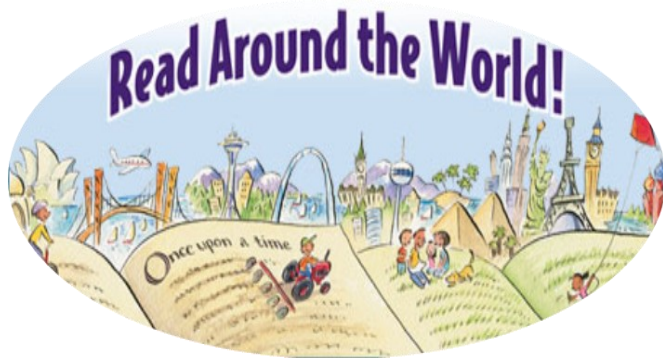
Calendar September

- 25th AM Kindergarten attends
- 26th Watch DOGS Golf Tournament
- 29th Vision Screening for Kindergarten through 3rd Grade and 5th Grade

October

- 2nd PM Kindergarten attends
- 8th Special Senior Citizen/ Grandparents Day
- 9th AM Kindergarten attends
- 13th Science Center Assembly
Space Odyssey
- 15th PTA Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.
PTA General Meeting
7:00 p.m.
- 16th PM Kindergarten attends
- 16th Bingo 7:00 p.m. in the
Multi-purpose Room
- 19th Non-Student Day/
Staff In-service Day





It's time to start planning for the Fall Book Fair. The theme is **Read Around the World** where students can travel the globe by reading the wide selection of books available at our fair. Once again, we are relying on our great volunteers to make the fair a success. The fair will run as follows:

Friday, October 23	11:30 AM to 3:30 PM
Monday, October 26	11:30 AM to 7:00 PM
Family Night	5:00 to 7:00 PM
Tuesday, October 27	11:30 to 7:00 PM
Wednesday, October 28	11:30 to 3:00 PM
Thursday, October 29	11:30 to 1:30 PM

If you are interested in volunteering, please send Mrs. Jeffrey an email at terri.jeffrey@sno.wednet.edu, or call 360-563-2939. You can also visit our book fair home page at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/littlecedars> for more information.

Rather than having a food drive twice per year at Little Cedars Elementary for miscellaneous food items, we will be having an on-going food drive all during the school year. This will help the food bank meet the increasing needs in our community. The food bank has provided us with a list of foods that they are in need of. Each month we will be collecting one specific food item. Please see the list below for the monthly donations.

- October—Macaroni and Cheese
- November—Canned Vegetables
- December—Peanut Butter
- January—Canned Tomato Sauce or Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- February—Pasta
- March—Boxed Dinners
- April—Cookies or Crackers
- May—Canned Meals (Chili, ect.)
- June—Your favorite food!!!

Operation Exploration! Library Reading Club

Your student may soon be embarking on a journey of discovery! Operation Exploration! is this year's reading program for students sponsored by the LCE library. The students will be introduced to the program in their library classes. Operation Exploration! is an optional program that provides a challenge to our readers as follows:

Grades 1 and 2: Your student will need to explore/read **100 books** during the school year to complete his/her journey.

Grades 3 and 4: Your student will need to explore/read **1,500 pages** during the school year to complete his/her journey.

Grades 5 and 6: Your student will need to explore/read **2,500 pages** during the school year to complete his/her journey.

Here are some things your student will hear about the reading club:

In order to become an LCE Explorer, you must complete and turn in the appropriate reading log for at least five out of the nine months the program will be running (September, 2009 through May, 2010).

In order to become an LCE Explorer, you must complete and turn in the appropriate reading log by the monthly due date in order to avoid any setbacks on your journey of discovery. Logs are due by the **FIRST FRIDAY of each month** (example: *September log is due Friday, October 2*). Reading logs can be picked up at the library at any time or can be found online at Mrs. Jeffrey's library website <<http://www.globalclassroom.us/snohomish-littlecedars>>. You will need to register to be able to access the site.

Operation Exploration! is meant to be challenging. It will take consistent reading, AND the ability to complete paperwork AND the ability to meet deadlines. If you complete the journey and become an LCE Explorer, you can be proud of your accomplishment!

There will be monthly prize drawings from the names of participants. Those who meet the challenge will be invited to a celebration at year's end.

Feel free to visit the library webpage noted above to view the introductory video as well as the logs we are asking the students to complete. You will find the reading club information under Topic No. 6, "Information for Students". For more information about this and other library events, please go to <http://www.wix.com/terrijeffrey/LCElibrary>.



The library is looking for one or two volunteers interested in working in the library from 8:30 to 9:30 AM on Monday and Wednesday. This is the perfect opportunity to provide the library with some much needed help, without giving up a lot of your time. This would work especially well for a parent who drives their child to school and can then pop up to assist. This is a job that does NOT involve shelving; rather you would be helping us get books checked back into the library. If interested, please don't hesitate to contact me at terri.jeffrey@sno.wednet.edu, or 360-563-2939.

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