

Cougar Canyon Elementary

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Vice Principal: Ms. Donaldson

May 2026



Happy May, Cougar Canyon Families! It's hard to believe we only have 2 months left of the school year. The month of May is a busy one for schools, and for Cougar Canyon Elementary, we have our exciting Track and Field Regional Meet on Wednesday! Students have worked so hard during various practices to improve their skills and endurance. We are excited to showcase their athleticism and sportsmanship at NDSS and are grateful to the many staff who have given up time to coach! With class photos coming this month, I thought I'd share a blast

from the past. Can anyone spot me???

Track and Field



Participating students have been busy practicing this past month and the coaches are finalizing the Cougar Canyon Elementary Track Team participants. It was such a joy to watch our students learn something new, push themselves to do something challenging, and persevere! We know that our CC Cougars will represent us with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship at the upcoming meet. For those students who qualify, the District Track Meet will take place on Thursday, May 14 at

SDSS. Students will be made aware, shortly after the Regional Track Meet.

Noon Hour Supervisors Needed

Cougar Canyon is looking to hire Noon Hour Supervisors whose hours would be 12:00-1:00pm. Both are paid positions! If you are interested, please reach out to Ms. Donaldson for more information (adonaldson@deltaschools.ca).

Reading Link Challenge



**READING LINK
CHALLENGE**

A huge congratulations to our Reading Link Challenge team, "The Rapid Readers." This group of avid readers won the Schoolwide competition on March 5, and represented Cougar Canyon Elementary proudly at the Regional competition on April 14 at Pebble Hill Elementary. A special thank you to Ms. Hignell who volunteered many hours to support this amazing literacy initiative.

Electric Scooters and E-Bikes

As the warmer weather approaches, students will have more opportunities to engage in bike- and scooter-related activities like commuting to school. Please find below a reminder of the provincial regulations regarding electric kick scooters and electric bikes (e-bikes).



Electric kick scooters should not be used by students travelling to

school or while on the school grounds. Despite their popularity in our province, electric kick scooters remain illegal for use on public roads, bike lanes and sidewalks across most of B.C., except in a handful of cities that are taking part in a [pilot program](#) to test the use of them. The City of Delta is not part of the pilot program. Even in the pilot program cities, it is illegal for a person under 16 years of age to operate an electric kick scooter. You can view the provincial rules here: [Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project Regulation](#).

E-Bikes: In B.C., it is illegal for students under 14 years of age to ride e-bikes. Students can operate light e-bikes at age 14 and standard e-bikes at 16. Parents or guardians of students below the minimum age must not knowingly permit them to ride an e-bike. For more information, including the definitions of a light e-bike and a standard e-bike, please visit: [E-Bike Rules of the Road](#)

Class Placement



We are in the preliminary planning stages of next year's classes. In order to assist us in planning for your child's placement next year, **IF** you have information you would like to share with the school about how your child(ren) best learn and play, we ask that you complete the Student Information Form **that was emailed home on April 15**. Please submit the form to the office by May 14th. Class placement for each child is a complex task, requiring teachers to collaborate closely in order to consider a multitude of factors such as learning styles, social, emotional and physical needs, maturity, and more. Our goal and the values that guide our process is to ensure that we create balanced classes where all students can be successful. We appreciate and value your input and we will keep the information you provide in mind where possible.

News from the PAC



Our next hot lunch is scheduled for Friday, May 22, with information being sent out to families in a couple of weeks. We are grateful to all of the volunteers, without whom these special lunches would not be possible for our students. Our next PAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30pm in our school library. We invite anyone who is interested to attend!

Seeking Homestay Families



Come join an internationally recognized team! Delta School District International Programs is currently recruiting homestay families for international students coming to the Delta School District for September 2026 (the majority of them will arrive on August 29th and 30th). We are in the process of placing students and are looking for homes that want to welcome a student who has chosen Delta as their study abroad experience.

From September 2026, the reimbursement for hosting a student will increase to \$1,300 per month. Multiple students from different nationalities can be hosted in one home. The majority of students in the homestay program are from Germany, Japan, Spain, Italy, and Brazil. At the moment, around 20 different countries are represented in the homestay program.

Many students are looking for a family connection and being a part of a family, in an English-speaking environment, during their stay in Delta. Their study periods range from three months to half a school year, to a full school year, to multiple years. If you are interested in hosting, please reach out to homestay@godelta.ca. If you are not able to host but know of a family who can, please send them our way. There are referral bonuses available for referring families. For more information, please visit: <https://www.godelta.ca/accommodation/become-a-host-family/>

North Delta Sunfish Summer Swim Club



The North Delta Sunfish Club, a non-profit organization, has programs for every age and skill level this summer. From junior swimmers to competitive teens, they offer expert coaching in speed swimming, water polo, and artistic swimming. This year, their Little Fishy Program (Ages 5-8) now has more options including a full-time program, a 3-day/week track, or flexible 2-week intro sessions. Don't miss out—spots fill up fast! Visit ndsunfish.com to view the full schedule and register today.

KPU Science Rendezvous



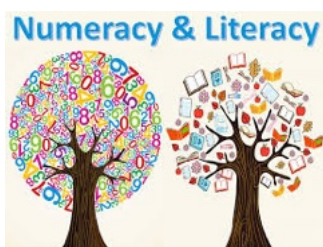
You are invited to a free, family-friendly STEAM festival – the largest public science festival in the Fraser Valley – where KPU opens their science labs and classrooms to the public, offering hands-on activities, experiments, arts and crafts, games, shows, and more! Tickets are free for this popular family event, but registration is required due to limited space. Date: Saturday, May 9, 2026 Time: 11 am-2 pm Location: KPU Langley Campus, 20901 Langley Bypass Website: kpu.ca/sr Free Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/kpu-science-rendezvous-2026>

Summer Reading Program



Did you know Fraser Valley Regional Library (FVRL) offers free programs to support reading skills over the summer? We encourage you to sign up for Summer Reading Club (SRC)! This free program helps students practice reading and perform better in school. SRC provides fun learning opportunities, including live performances, tools for tracking reading (both on paper and online), and chances to win prizes. This year's theme is Under the Sea. Registration for in-person and online SRC officially begins June 21. For information about SRC and how to register, [visit www.fvrl.ca](http://www.fvrl.ca). Here's how to encourage students to join SRC: For more information please contact: Francie Willumsen - fwillumsen@fvrl.bc.ca or Minakshi Sidhu - msidhu@fvrl.bc.ca or call 604-594-8155

Summer Literacy and Numeracy Programs



The Delta School District is offering a free, enriching program for families seeking to support their child(ren) in strengthening Literacy and Numeracy foundational skills. These programs are available for students entering Grades 1-7. Students may only register for one session.

SESSION ONE

DATE: July 6th - July 17th

TIME: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

PLACE: McCloskey Elementary

PLACE: Richardson Elementary

PLACE: Hawthorne Elementary

SESSION TWO

DATE: July 20th - July 31st

TIME: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

PLACE: McCloskey Elementary

For more information, please visit: <https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/continuing-education/summer-learning>

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

May 1	Hot Lunch
May 4	Star Wars Spirit Day
May 6	Regional Track Meet (NDSS)
May 11	Class Photos
May 14	District Track Meet (SDSS)
May 15	Pro-D Day (no students in attendance)
May 18	Victoria Day (no school)
May 22	Hot Lunch
May 26	Incoming Kindergarten Welcome Event 1:45-2:30pm
May 26	PAC Meeting 6:30pm in the library