



CATALINE ELEMENTARY

APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER

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April 1, 2025

Partners in Attendance

Parents play an important role in the education of their children. Their involvement and encouragement can help a child excel. Other family members and friends also play a key role in making sure students understand why they need to attend school to succeed. A success in school starts with regular attendance from the early years right through high school completion. Did you know that even as early as Kindergarten, chronic absenteeism makes it more difficult to learn? Parents and schools can work together to find solutions that support children’s success in learning. Please contact your teacher or the school if looking for attendance support.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Keep your child healthy and practice good hygiene (e.g. handwashing)
- Be in regular communication with your child’s teachers.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Try to schedule non-urgent related medical appointments and extended trips when school is not in session.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers and school, and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- If your child must stay home due to illness, ask the teacher for resources and ideas to continue learning at home.

Please support your child as a Cataline attendance **HERO**:
Here at school, Everyday, Ready to learn, On time



Mar 7: Novah Giesbrecht, Melody Sheridan, Chace Purdy

Mar 14: Mackenzie Sabatino, Willa Brown, Olivia Pierce

Leadership

Our leadership crew has planned a PJ Day for April 25th.



PAC News

Next PAC meeting will be Monday April 7th at 5:30 in the library.

New Fundraiser that will be running year-round!!

Use **Flipgive** when doing your online shopping and help earn money for our PAC! Digital Gift cards can also be bought and used for yourself or sent as gifts! **Download the APP Flipgive** and use team code **7SYLDR** or use the following link to register and start shopping
https://www.flipgive.com/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0BMQA BHVCL7wDUTm1cov4rOC1ynfTABSErCLFfswN4HbcQwXrjGUASQjfeVlxveA_aem_imlH0JFMVlw3Q-ugJqFfGg using team code **7SYLDR**.

Margetts Meat

We are happy to offer a new fundraiser from Margetts Meats. This fundraiser will run from **April 1 – April 30**. All you need to do is print the form that is attached at the end of the newsletter fill it out and take it to Margetts Meats with your payment. Once your order is ready, they will call you to pick it up. Margetts Meats will have printed forms at the store for your convenience.

Spring plants

The spring plant fundraiser will run from **April 21st – May 9th** with pick up day set for **May 23rd**. Printed forms will be available in the office or order online at
<https://catalinepac.growingsmilesfundraising.com/>

Munch a Lunch

All orders for May lunches are to be completed no later than April 25 @ 2:55 pm.

Paper order forms will be available in the office.

Parents, please use this link to order or to register:
<https://munchalunch.com/login>

Please follow us on Facebook:
Cataline Elementary School P.A.C.

School Food Program

Our school prepares a simple breakfast each day before school in the prep room from 8:35 am - 8:55 am for those students who may need a little extra nutritional support in the morning. Lunch food is also available every day for students who need a lunch, have forgotten a lunch or need a healthy top-up.

If your family needs support with lunches, please contact the office: dwayne.benvin@sd27.bc.ca or tess.riley@sd27.bc.ca

This confidentially ensures that all students have access to this lunch program.

Please check in with your child if they are bringing enough lunch each day.

Floor Hockey

Cataline will have a few teams competing in intermural floor hockey season. If your child in Grade 5/6 wants to play, please watch for permission forms coming home.

Early Dismissal Days

April 23rd & 24th are early dismissal days and students will be dismissed **one hour early at 1:55pm**. School busses will adjust to run regular routes an hour earlier. Regular parent communication is often critical to partnering for student success. If you would like to meet with or speak to your child's teacher privately about their learning progress at this, *or at any time of the year*, **please contact the teacher directly to set up an appointment.**

Springtime

As it warms up, students will be spending more time learning outside. Please ensure your child is prepared by dressing in layers, including a light coat, and packing a "Spare Pair" of clothing (including socks) in their backpack. Sending a hat with your child, and sun screening them in the morning is a great idea. Also, Tick season is well on its way. Please check your children/pets periodically to ensure they are tick free.

Preparedness

Please ensure your child comes to school with a good healthy lunch. If students are not finished eating in the 15-minute eating block, they are welcome to take their unwrapped food outside to finish. We are strongly encouraging "naked snacks": Let's keep our playground litter free!

Earth Day

On April 22nd, the school and PAC are partnering up to take whole-school learning outside in honor of Earth day.



Mar 3: Mrs. Serrano nominated Elsie Scott

Mar 10: Ms. Allan nominated Orion Siebold



2025/2026 School Year Bus Registration

Bus registration for **eligible riders** is now open. To register your child, go to the school district website under Transportation and Bus Registration. To access the bus registration form on the website, click AP 770: Bus Registration. **Students must re-register every year to ride the bus.**

Volunteering

If you are interested in volunteering with field trips or working with children without direct vision of a teacher, it is school board policy that you have a criminal record check done. Criminal record checks are good for 5 years and are FREE of charge.

Here is the online link: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/eCRC/>

Access code: **JUV5QFPLWC**

****Only use the "Internet Explorer" browser. If you are having difficulties with the system, please call 1-855-587-0185 and choose option 2****

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for 2025/2026 school year opened January 27th, 2025. School District #27 will be using the MyEducation BC **online registration** process for kindergarten student registration for the 2025/2026 school year.

Children must be five years of age by December 31, 2025. Children presently enrolled in kindergarten do not need to re-register for Grade One.

The following documents **are required** at registration and must be uploaded with your on-line registration:

1. Birth Certificate or passport
2. BC Care card – both sides are required
3. Two pieces of proof of physical address **are required** ie. Mortgage statement, rental agreement, hydro bill. ****Driver's license or BCID or Care Cared are second pieces only.**

Please note: Registration is not complete until all documents required are received.

For more information, please go to our the SD27 website: sd27.bc.ca/CATALINE

If you wish to have your child attend a school that is not your catchment school, a School of Choice application **MUST** be completed after registration has been submitted at the catchment school.

Arrival Program

Please use the SafeArrival program to report your child's absence. There are 3 convenient methods:

1. SchoolMessenger app from Apple App or Google play stores:
<https://go.schoolmessenger.com>
2. Safe Arrival website:
<https://go.schoolmessenger.com>
3. Toll free number: 1-833-582-6894

****If you are picking up your child early from school – please **DO NOT** report this on the app. Please send a message to your child's teacher via their agenda.**

Newsletters

In addition to communication from your child's teacher, a monthly school newsletter and calendar will be emailed to you on the first day of every month. The newsletter will also be posted on our school's district website: **Cataline Elementary (sd27.bc.ca)** and on our school's Facebook page. Please mark it on your calendar to check the newsletter monthly for important information.

Drop off and pick up

A reminder that all vehicles in the pick-up loop must have engines turned off when picking up or dropping off your children. **This is an idle-free zone** even in the winter and cold weather.

Please move forward as space opens to keep congestion to a minimum. The left lane in the loop is to be left open so you can pull out once your child is safely in the car. If you need to get out of your vehicle, please park in the parking lot adjacent to the bus loop.

Please avoid blocking the intersection of Blair St and 11th Ave during afternoon pick up. We need to respect our neighbors and make room for the school buses to pass. Waiting until after 3 pm to pick up your child is a viable option as this lessens congestion and most often, the parking lot is free and clear.

Strong Start

Parents interested in attending Strong Start are invited to register at the office (please bring your child's birth certificate and care card). We offer Strong Start 5 days a week from 9:00 am – noon. Strong Start programs provide a rich learning environment designed for early learning development-language, physical, cognitive, social, and emotional. Mrs. Schindle leads learning activities where children find opportunities to make friends and interact with others of similar ages.

Participate with your young child (aged birth to five) in play-based learning activities – including stories, music, and art. At no cost to families, this early learning drop-in program helps prepare children for success in kindergarten.

Communication Protocol

Communication between home and school is vital to your child's/children education. Teachers communicate about classroom learning and events through letters home, newsletter, emails, phone calls and your child's agenda.

To make arrangements for a meeting with a teacher, please contact the teacher. If you have concerns about anything having to do with your child's experience at school:

First: contact your child's teacher to share information, review the problem and discuss a resolution

Second: if, after meeting with the teacher, the problem is unresolved or you are dissatisfied with the resolution, contact the principal or vice-principal.

We will work with you and the teacher to resolve the problem or refer you to someone who can be of greater assistance. Please feel free to call the school and make an appointment to address any concerns at all.

Class Photos

Class photos will be taken on Tuesday April 29th in the morning. Bring you best smile!



Starfish Backpack program

Starfish backpack program is sponsored by the Daybreak Rotary Club of Williams Lake with the support of many community donors and volunteers. This program provides support to families in need with food over the weekend. Each student is provided with a backpack with sufficient food for the weekend. If you or anyone you know could benefit from this program, please contact the office. A huge thank you to the Williams Lake Rotary Club for this support.

Green Shirt or Jersey Day

For the annual Green Shirt Day in honour of Humboldt Broncos and particularly defenceman Logan Boulet who inspired “the Logan Boulet Effect” bringing awareness to the Canadian Transplant Association. Please consider **wearing green OR a sports jersey** on **Monday April 7, 2025**. Read more here: <https://greenshirtday.ca/>



Grade 5 Pass

Did you know... The Cariboo Memorial Complex offers a program for every grade five student in the Central Cariboo Recreation Taxation Area, a free membership for the duration of their grade five year. The Grade Five pass includes free admission to the following:

- ❖ **Everyone Welcome Swims**
- ❖ **Rec Swims**
- ❖ **Toonie Swims**
- ❖ **Public Skates**

Just bring in your child’s birth certificate and a proof of residency to get your free pass. For more information contact the Cariboo Memorial Complex at (250) 398-7665.

April is Oral Health Month!

Why Brush Daily?

Caring for a child’s mouth can be a challenge, but it is important to make brushing part of their daily routine from an early age; brushing twice a day is a simple step to help keep those baby teeth clean and healthy and to avoid cavities – a good thing when you consider that they can remain until kids are 13 or 14!

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Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. In April 2025, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grade 4, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at [Student Learning Survey - Province of British Columbia](#).

Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be **accessed through the link** and by **clicking on Take the Survey**. On the login page, **click on the Parents icon**, and then **select the school district and school name** where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Upcoming Field Trips

April 4 th	Mrs. Serrano – Swimming	1:00-2:00
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or check the website <https://www.sd27.bc.ca/CATALINE>



**15% of Gross
Sales go to this
Fund Raising
Group**

Seller's Name: _____

Cataline Elementary School PAC *Fund Raiser*

The Cataline Elementary School PAC would like to invite you to purchase local and take advantage of the enclosed competitive pricing and great quality products. Your purchase will assist our school with costs and supplies. Your support is very much appreciated.

Please make cheques payable to Margetts Meats

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	PRICE	# OF CASES	TOTAL
Chicken Breasts - Boneless/Skinless 4kg/case	\$95.00/cs IQF		
Chicken Breast Strips - Oven Ready 4kg/case	\$100.00/cs IQF		
Pork Spareribs - 10lb box	\$55.00/cs		
Wieners - 11lb box	\$75.00 IQF		
Lean Beef Patties - 44/case 11lb/case	\$95.00 IQF		
Lean Ground Beef - Brown Paper Wrap - 10x11lb	\$95.00 IQF		
Pork & Beef breakfast sausage 11lb. case	\$75.00/cs		
New York Steak - 8oz portion 10lb box	\$200.00/cs IQF		
Sirloin Steak - 6oz portion 10lb box	\$130.00/cs IQF		
Rib Steak - 12oz portion 10lb box	\$220.00/cs IQF		
Pork Chop - 10lb bag	\$60.00		
Bacon - 11lb box	\$100.00		
Chicken Wings 11lb	\$80.00 IQF		
Chicken Drumsticks - 10lb box	\$50.00		
Chicken Thighs - 10lb box	\$55.00		
GRAND TOTAL			



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Closed Sundays & Holidays

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Growing Smiles
Spring Fundraiser
2025

GROUP:



42 PREMIUM HANGING BASKET
 Say hello to our latest flower mixes! These hanging baskets are perfect for sunny spots, blooming with gorgeous flowers & trailing plants. With beautiful varieties & mixes, they're here to add a special touch to your space!



42 UPGRADED MIXES!
OUTDOOR PATIO PLANTER
 Discover the excitement! Our Outdoor Patio Planters feature a blend of our top-performing and upgraded plant collections, all set to thrive in full sun. They're your ticket to springtime paradise right in your very own backyard!



50 PATIO ROSE PLANTER
 Add a touch of elegance to your garden! Planted in a 2-gallon pot, these Floribunda roses are bred to brave colder weather and bring back color year after year.
COLORS CANNOT BE SELECTED & MAY COME IN: LIGHT PINK, DARK PINK, WHITE, OR YELLOW.



27 STRAWBERRY HANGING BASKET
 A treat for kids & strawberry lovers alike! Elevate snack time with homegrown strawberries all growing season long. With charming blossoms in white or pink, these everbearing varieties are as beautiful as they are delicious!



29 BOSTON FERN HANGING BASKET **NEW!**
 Transform your place with botanical charm! These hanging baskets boast cascading fronds that bring a breath of fresh air to both indoor & outdoor spaces. Don't miss out on this new addition; ready to redefine your space!



42 3-PACK INDOOR FOLIAGE
 Your very own Tropical indoor retreat is here! Welcome the cascade of a trailing Pothos, the vibrant pop of color from a Tradescantia, & the elegant stature of a Dieffenbachia - all now part of our program!
DUPLICATES & SUBSTITUTES MAY OCCUR.



35 NON-GMO 10-PACK 4 HERBS
 Elevate your dishes with a flavorful assortment of our finest herbs! Varieties may include: Basil (Sweet & Thai), Thyme, Chives (Onion & Garlic), Mint (Mojito & Peppermint), Oregano, Parsley, & Rosemary.
DUPLICATES & SUBSTITUTES MAY OCCUR.



35 LETTUCE GARDEN 10-PACK 4 VEGGIES
 Savor the goodness of your own homegrown veggies right from your own garden or planter! Varieties may include: Tomatoes (x4), Cucumber, Zucchini, Peppers (x2), Kale, & Romaine.
DUPLICATES & SUBSTITUTES MAY OCCUR.



42 10-PACK 4 ZONAL GERANIUMS
 Open the door to a garden of endless possibilities! These easy-to-grow bedding plants available in red, white, or pink, stay resilient against pesky intruders like deer & rabbits. Get ready for a burst of color!
CANNOT MIX & MATCH COLORS IN A FLAT.



42 WAVE PETUNIAS
 Paint your own outdoor canvas! Our cascading Wave Petunias, available in purple, white, or pink, will set the tone and elevate your garden, planter boxes, and hanging baskets. Don't miss out!
CANNOT MIX & MATCH COLORS IN A FLAT.



35 10-PACK 4 MARIGOLDS
 Experience a season-long visual treat! Our Marigolds, sold in orange, promise more than just a pop of color - they're also great companions for various veggies. It doesn't get much better than the perfect balance of color & companionship!



15 PREMIUM SOIL 30 L
 Give your plants a boost! This organic potting soil has been formulated to help your plants reach their full potential through a blend of compost, kelp, fish meal, peat moss, glacial rock dust, & rice hull. Watch your plants thrive this Spring!



19 FERTILIZER SHAKER 16 KG
 Level up your gardening game! Crafted with organic granular kelp, this blend is a game-changer for both flowers & veggies. Say goodbye to complicated fertilizing and hello to a vibrant, thriving garden with our easy-to-use Fertilizer Shaker!

DUPLICATES AND SUBSTITUTIONS MAY OCCUR. AVAILABILITY IS BASED ON WHAT IS IN THE GREENHOUSE.



Spring Fundraiser 2025

Student/Athlete: _____

Orders due: May 9th, 2025 by 2:55pm

Class/Grade: _____

Plant Pick-up: May 23rd, 2025

Cheques Payable to: Cataline Elementary PAC

Phone Number: _____

Customer Name and Info	12" Hanging Baskets		12" Patio Planters		2G Rose Planters		11" Strawberry Baskets		10" Boston Fern Baskets		3-pk Indoor Foliage		10-pk 4" Herbs		10-pk 4" Veggies		10-pk 4" Geraniums (1 color per flat)				10-pk 4" Petunias (1 color per flat)				10-pk 4" Mangolds		Organic Potting Soil 30L		Fertilizer Shaker 1.8 kg		Order Totals	Paid
	# Baskets	\$ Total	# Planters	\$ Total	# Baskets	\$ Total	# Ferns	\$ Total	# pk's	\$ Total	# Herbs	\$ Total	# Veggies	\$ Total	# RED	# WHITE	# PINK	\$ Total	# PURPLE	# WHITE	# PINK	\$ Total	# Mangolds	\$ Total	# Soil	\$ Total	# Shakers	\$ Total				
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