January 2025



# News & Updates For Families & Friends

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 1st-3rd

Winter Break (No School)

January 6th

**Staff & Students Return** 

January 15th

**Joyful Food Market** 

January 17th

**Professional Development** (No School for Students)

January 20th

Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

January 24th

End of Term (Q2)

January 29th

**Parent Cafe** 

January 31st

Report Cards Issued (Q2)





Reminder: In the event of inclement weather, Cedar Tree Academy follows DC Public Schools. Families will also be notified by phone, text and Class Dojo.

## MRS. EDISON'S CORNER



Happy New Year! I hope each of you had a rejuvenating and joyful winter break spent with loved ones. With the new calendar year upon us, I want to express my appreciation again for how each of you supported Cedar Tree Academy during the first five months of the school year. Looking ahead, I'm eager to see what we will accomplish in 2025.

As we dive back into our school routines, I understand that transitioning from the comfort of the holidays to our academic setting can be quite challenging for both students, staff and parents alike. Returning to the structure and routine of school after a break, especially one as delightful as the winter vacation, can be a bit demanding. However, it's crucial that we re-establish our momentum and dive back into our learning journey.

Finally, as the outside temperature drops, this is a good time to refamiliarize ourselves with inclement weather procedures and make plans in the event of school closings or delays. We understand that navigating through potential snow days can pose challenges, but maintaining a proactive approach to learning will help alleviate any academic pressures that may arise due to unexpected closures.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and understanding. Here's to a successful continuation of our academic year ahead. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Let's make this return to school after the break a smooth and successful transition for all.

## **LEARN** TODAY. **LEAD** TOMORROW.





## **PARENT ENGAGEMENT CORNER**

### **NEW STUDENTS APPLY TODAY!**

Does your child have a sibling who will be attending Cedar Tree Academy next school year? Or do you have a friend looking to enroll a new student? Please help us spread the word that new student registration for the 2025-2026 school year is currently open. All new applicants must apply at **www.myschooldc.org.** Only new students are required to use this website; current students only have to complete re-enrollment using InfoSnap and submit new proof of DC Residency beginning April 1, 2024.

Siblings of current students will receive preference and have a higher chance of being matched to Cedar Tree Academy.



### **GAME CENTER**

Can you find which snowflake is different?



#### **HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION**

# Snow Ice Cream Ingredients:

- 8-12 cups of fresh, white, new-fallen snow (a cup here in North America is 8 oz.)
- 300 ml can of sweetened condensed milk (10 ounces)
- 1 tsp vanilla
- Large bowl
- Measuring cup
- Wooden spoon
- Freezer-proof container for storing your leftovers

### **Directions:**

- 1.) Scoop clean, fresh snow into a large bowl.
- 2.) Sprinkle vanilla over snow.
- 3.) Drizzle condensed milk over all.
- 4.) Fold all ingredients together, and stir until well-combined.
- 5.) If necessary, add more snow until you're happy with the consistency of your ice cream.
- 6.) Scoop into a bowl, and enjoy!
- 7.) To freeze leftovers, pat remaining snow ice cream into a freezer-proof container with a lid.



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