



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
Oct 12th – Oct 16th, 2020



Chilliwack
School District

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Thanksgiving Weekend !! We hope you are able spend some time with family this weekend. Some of the events happening over the next two weeks at Evans includes:

- Oct 12th – Thanksgiving Holiday (School Closed for students and staff)
- Oct 13th – PBS Friendliness – Virtual Big Buddy Project
- Oct 19th – Evans Virtual Assembly
- Oct 19th – PBS Friendliness - Bucket Fill Project
- Oct 20th – School Photo Day
- Oct 23th – Non Instructional Day (No School for Students)
- Oct 24th – BC Provincial Election (Evans is a Polling Station for our Community)
- Oct 26th – Lock Down Dill (details will be sent to parents in advance)

Thanksgiving Holiday – A Reminder that Monday (Oct 12th) is the Thanksgiving Holiday and school will be closed for students and staff.

Student Photo Day – We will have our student photo day on the morning of October 20th. We will send information home on picture packages available in the next little while. While we can do individual pictures this year we are unable to take class photos at this time

Focus on Friendliness – In the Month of October we are having students focus on being friendly and being a good friend. As part of this we have two events happening this month.

- a. **Virtual Big Buddy** (Oct 13th – 16th – We will be having our older students (grade 3 – 5) put together a “friendly message” for all of our students in Kindergarten to Grade 2. The plan would be to have the older students put these together between Tuesday and Thursday next week and then deliver them to the K – 2 classes on Friday.).
- b. **Bucket Fill (Oct 19th – 30th)** – We want to have students “catch each other” in acts of Friendliness and Friendship. We will have a forms that students can fill out for each other and place into a bucket when they catch another students doing an act that is Friendly. For the younger students (K-1) staff will be helping here. We will then do a draw at different points in the week with both the nominated child and the nominee winning a prize. This event will “kick off” at an assembly on October 19th (With the Book **Have You Filled a Bucket Today**)

PAC & PAC Newsletter Did you know that when parents are involved in their child's schooling students do better at school ? Did you know that ***ALL parents*** at the school are automatically members of the Parent Advisory Committee ? At Evans we very much value parent input in our school. Please find attached to this Week at a Glance the first PAC Newsletter of the year with some very important information on how to become connected and involved with our PAC. PAC meeting are usually held on the first Wednesday of the month at the school and we would love to have a large number of parents join us (we can meet in the gym with social distancing in place). **Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 4th @ 6:30pm at the school and we hope you will join us !!!**

Please check out [the school calendar](#) for PAC meeting dates and times or [our Facebook Page](#) to find all the great things that PAC does and how you can become involve. We hope you will join us at our next meeting.

Water Filling Station – Our school has just had a water filling station installed for staff and students. As such we are encouraging students to bring water bottles to use with this station. Water is fully filtered and chilled to 3 degrees Celsius

Super Reader Program – Our Super Reader Program is now underway. Please check with our library or your child's classroom teacher if you need reading logs for this event..

Virtual Parent-Teacher Event – We have left our virtual parent Parent-Teacher Event on the website for parents to access. You can [click here to learn more](#) about your child's class and our school this year or access it under the ***parent information*** tab on our school website.

(Repeat) Free \$\$ for your Child's Future Education - Future Bright is a FREE EFry program that helps parents and guardians access up to \$3,200 for their child's education through the Canada Learning Bond (CLB) and BC Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG). ***This money is free for you to claim for your child and you don't have to contribute any money yourself.*** Youth who have savings for their education are 50% more likely to attend post-secondary! **Information is attached.**

(Repeat) Generation Health - Generation Health is a **FREE** 10-week healthy lifestyle program for children and their families. We will be meeting (with safe social distancing protocols in place) once a week as of **October 2020** at YMCA Chilliwack. This program covers various topics related to healthy living such as healthy eating, physical activity, goal setting, body image, self-esteem and more! Families who participate in this program will receive a **FREE 6-month membership to the YMCA**. This program requires prior registration and screening through these details: **telephone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to info@generationhealth.ca.**
Information is attached.

(Repeat) Driveway at the Front of the School – Parents, we need your help !!! We are asking that parents use a **DROP and GO strategy for drop off AND a remain with your vehicles approach for pick-ups** if you are using the front driveway of the school. Car that are left unattended are causing some unsafe situations on our front driveway. Staff will be on supervision out front to help children get safely to where they need to be. Thanks for your help with this.

(Repeat) Student Behavior Forms – Our school staff believe in working with children to promote positive behaviors at all times. As a school, we understand that from time to time students will and do make mistakes. This year our school will be using a "Student Behavior Form" as a way to communicate more minor behavior issues with parents. Should you receive one of these forms from your child, we would ask that you review it with them, sign it and have them return it to the school. Should you have further questions about an incident please do not hesitate to give the school a phone call.