



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
Oct 19th – Oct 23rd, 2020



Chilliwack
School District

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Dear Parents,

Some of the events happening over the next two weeks at Evans includes:

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 – 1:20pm DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)
Oct 27th – Lock Down Drill
Oct 29th – 11:05 Early Dismissal
Oct 29th – Mid-Term Reporting to Parents
Oct 30th – Orange & Black Theme Day @ Evans
Oct 31st – Halloween (Saturday)
Nov 1st – End Daylight Savings Time

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.

Non Instructional Day – Just a reminder that this Friday (October 23rd) is a Non Instructional Day with no school for students.

Lockdown Drill – On Tuesday, October 27th (in the afternoon) Evans Elementary School will be conducting a lockdown drill. The purpose of this drill is to practice with staff and students the lockdown procedures in the event we need to perform a lockdown to secure the school in the future. The procedures we will use were developed by the RCMP and the school district. We will discuss this in each of the classrooms in advance of the drill, but wanted to make parents aware this was happening and was only a precautionary practice.

Early Dismissal & Mid-Term Reporting – On October 29th we will have an early dismissal at 11:05am for the purpose of Mid-Term Reporting. Teachers will provide parents a mid-term report on their child at some point in this week. These reports are intended to be informal and to connect parents with where their child is currently in their learning. Should you have any questions about your child's progress or wish further information please don't hesitate to get in touch with your child teachers. Even in COVID time teachers are always happy to discuss with you your child's progress in a phone call.

Orange & Black Theme Day – We are encouraging students to wear orange and black on our Orange & Black Theme Day.

VIRTUAL Christmas Concert – This year we are planning on putting on a virtual Christmas Concert this year. This would mean that students would be video taped and a performance would be streamed for parents to watch. Should you wish for your child to be part of the “taped” concert that parents can watch, we will need to have a signed consent form that allows us to video tape your child. If you are unsure if you have completed this form please check with your child’s teacher.

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 will be doing a **Bucket Fill event(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. 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.

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.

Family SMART Parent in Residence Program - The Family SMART Parent in Residence Program is putting on a monthly online event called *In the Know*. For the Fall we are focussing on Anxiety. This month's video is called "Parenting when our kids can't go to school"

Parenting when our kids won't (or can't) go to school is hard for everyone; mental health challenges can be what is creating the barrier to them attending. This is hard and complex – we talk about the pieces we have some control over, remembering how much relationships matter, and who we can look to for support.

[Parenting when our kids can't go to school](#) To register please click on the Abbotsford, Chilliwack event.