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Dear Parents,

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

Oct 26th – 1:00pm DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)

Oct 27th - Lock Down Drill

Oct 29th – 8:45 – 10:45 Local Harvest Trip (TeBrink)

Oct 29th – 9:00 – 11:15 Petey's Pumpkin Patch Trip (Thompson & Bridge)

Oct 29th - 11:05 Early Dismissal

Oct 29th - Mid-Term Reporting to Parents

Oct 29th - START of Evans online Book Fair

Oct 30th – Orange & Black Theme Day @ Evans

Oct 31st – Halloween (Saturday)

Nov 1st - End Daylight Savings Time

Nov 2nd - NEW Virtue of the Month: Peacefulness

Nov 2nd – 8:15am Evans Assembly (Online – TEAMS)

Nov 4nd – 6:30pm PAC Meeting @ the School (Gym)

<u>REMINDER EARLY DISMISSAL</u> – We have an early dismissal this Thursday, October 29th 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 there 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.

<u>Lockdown Drill</u> – 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 **Online book fair**

<u>Line on the Side of the school</u> – Just a reminder that we need parent help in maintaining social distance when waiting for classes to be dismissed on the sides of the school. <u>Please</u>: If you are picking your child up from the intermediate pod (by the track) please stay on the "track area" to the side of the school. For parents who drive their children and are parked in the side parking lot, we ask that you remain in your vehicles leaving only briefly to ensuring your child gets safety into the vehicle. Should you feel the need to get out of your vehicle to wait or if you are walking home with your child, please remain on the walk ways by the side parking lot.

We thank you so much for your help and support with this plan. We have made it a priority to ensure that all students are as safe as possible at all times during the day including coming to and from school.



<u>Evans Online Book Fair</u> - We are excited to announce that **Evans Elementary School** has partnered with Book Outlet to host a two-week online book fair fundraiser between **Oct 29, 2020** and **Nov 12, 2020**. Book Outlet is an online retailer that offers thousands of new books for up to 90% off.

How the online book fair works:

- 20% of all purchases you make during the online book fair will go back to our organization in cash rewards.
- One day before the book fair begins, we will email you a unique book fair link. Shop on Book Outlet using that unique link, so the 20% cash rewards are attributed to **Evans Elementary School**.
- After the book fair ends, over the following six months, 5% of your Book Outlet purchases will also go back to Evans Elementary School in cash rewards.

Mark your calendar! We will be in touch again as we approach the start of the online book fair.

<u>Orange & Black Theme Day</u> – We are encouraging students to wear orange and black on our Orange & Black Theme Day. A reminder that students are not wearing costumes on this day.

<u>PAC -</u> 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). <u>Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 4th @ 6:30pm at the school and we hope you will join us !!!</u>

Please check out <u>the school calendar</u> for PAC meeting dates and times or <u>our Facebook Page</u> 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.

(Repeat) 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 you child's teacher.

(Repeat) 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 <u>Bucket Fill event(Oct 19th – 30th)</u>. 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**)

(Repeat) 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..

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