



# Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance  
June 21 - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



Chilliwack  
School District

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June 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Happy Father's Day</b>
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>National Indigenous Peoples Day – Please have your child wear Orange</b> <b>Sports Day In Cohort Groups</b> 12:30 Grade 5 students VMS tour
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs. Lodders, Ms. Epp & Mrs. Frose Field Trip Mrs. Bridge & Mrs. Thompson Field Trip 11:30 Bramble & TeBrinke Field Trip 3:00 – 4:30 Grade 5 Year End Celebration
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Sports Day (Alternate Date)</b>
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 Year End Assembly <b>11:05 Early Dismissal (Last Day of School)</b> <b>Term 3 Report Cards Sent Home</b>

Dear Evans Families,

This year has been a year like no other not only at Evans Elementary, but in the B.C. School System. Despite all that has happened our teachers and staff have strived to make this year as enjoyable and successful as it can be. Despite all of the challenges, we hope that the children at Evans will fondly remember many of the things that they learned and will cherish their connections with both friends and adults at the school.

I want to give a special thank you to our PAC executive who helped support Evans staff and students so much this year. Our PAC always found ways to make things happen despite all the restrictions we had to deal with. You are a huge part of the spirit and success of the children at this school.

I would like to congratulate our grade five students on a successful year at Evans Elementary School. I hope that when you think back on your time at Evans, you will fondly remember the teachers, staff and many friendships you have made. I hope you will have great memories of the things you have done and will carry those forward for the future. We shall certainly remember you and hope, from time to time, you will come back to visit us. Good luck next year at (Vedder) Middle School, and I wish you a great deal of success in your future.

For our students in Kindergarten to grade 4, the teachers and staff very much look forward to seeing you in the fall and hearing about your summer adventures. As of right now it looks like we may be in for a more normal school year in the fall, something I am sure we are all hoping and looking forward to.

Have a great summer !!

Sincerely,  
Mr. W Gemmell, Principal

**National Indigenous Peoples Day** – Monday is National Indigenous Peoples Day . **We are asking all students to please wear orange on this day.** We will be acknowledging and recognizing this day through our sports day activities.

**Sports Activity Day** – Takes place on Monday at the school. Please have your child bring a water bottle, sunscreen and a hat. As was noted above we are asking children to wear an orange shirt for this day. Just a note to parents for our Sports Day this year we are unable to have parents in attendance due to current COVID restrictions in place. Thanks for your understanding here.

**PAC Information for 2021 -22** – I wanted to extend a huge congratulation to our new PAC executive. Last week I forgot to mention a few of the new members of PAC executive (as well as recognize someone who is leaving us) so I wanted to correct that oversight here. Our PAC executive in the fall consists of:

President	Jennifer O’Connal
Vice-President	Erica Hansom
Treasurer	Crystal Menzies
Secretary	Angela Vermeer
Member @ Large	Ashala Palaniuk
Member @ Large	Erika Clarke

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank **Erika Penner and Jodi Luck** who have been members of the PAC Executive for many years and will be leaving us. Erika has been on the Executive for three (3) years and has served as Treasurer as well as writing the newsletter this year. Jodi has been a Member at Large this last year as well as being a Lunch Hour Supervisor at the school. Thank you both for all your work on the PAC and commitment to the children at Evans. You will be missed.

So parents are aware, the first PAC meeting of the new school year is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm. We are really hoping this is an “in person” meeting and hope to see you there !! 😊

**Let’s Talk** - The school district is looking for parent input on schools boundaries for Stitó:s Lá:lém totí:lt School. Interested parents can get more information by accessing the following link: <https://www.letstalksd33.ca/>

**Start of School In September** – Information on the start-up plan for schools in September can be accessed here: <http://news.gov.bc.ca/24712> (Start-Up Plan for Public Schools)

**(Repeat) Library** – If your family has library books still at home please bring them back to the school as soon as possible.

**(Repeat) Grade 5 VMS Info** – Please find a video created by VMS staff for grade 5 student. The video introduces our Grade 6 staff, includes a short tour of our school and exploratory classes, fun field trips and activities that they can look forward to, and includes a tutorial on how to open a locker! The link to the video is here [Grade 5 Welcome to Vedder Video](#) and is also posted on the VMS website.

**(Repeat) Lost and Found Items** – Our lost and found bin is overflowing. We have taken some photos that are attached. Please look over the items and encourage your child to claim them. If you need additional assistance in getting items home please call the office and we will try to reconnect items with their owners.

**(Repeat) School Playground at the end of the School Day** – Just a quick reminder to parents and families that our school playground needs to remain closed to parents and students at the end of the school day until about 4pm so we can follow COVID protocols. We currently have Wind and Tide after school care and the After School Adventures Program which needs to access the playground during these times. Thanks for your help with this.

**(Repeat) MDI Parent Survey** - The Middle-Year's Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report survey for children in grades 4 to 8. The MDI was developed through the collaboration of children, community members, scientific experts & teachers. The MDI aims to measure 5 main areas linked to well-being, health and academic achievement, especially: physical health & well-being; connectedness; school experiences; use of after-school time; social & emotional development. The Middle Years Committee is now asking for **your** feedback on our experiences, and the experiences of our children, right here in Chilliwack, as a follow-up to the MDI data collection that took place over the last 2 years. Of specific interest is the impact of COVID 19 and resource availability. Please take 5 minutes and complete [this anonymous survey](#) – your feedback is incredibly valued and will help direct our ability to support you, and our children here in Chilliwack.

**(Repeat) Province Seeks Input from Indigenous Peoples to Shape Reconciliation** - The provincial government is asking Indigenous peoples for additional feedback on the draft action plan required under the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act. Please see the attached news article for further information: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021IRR0028-001139>

**(Repeat) Daily Health Check Reminder** – Just a reminder that all parents should be completing a daily health check on their child BEFORE sending them to school each day. Children who are sick should remain home until they are well. To simplify this process there is an app and website from the BC Ministry of Education that you can access here:

- Website: <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1>

Thanks for your help in completing these daily health checks with your family.

# LOST AND FOUND





