



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
Oct 4th – 8th, 2021



Chilliwack
School District

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Hello Evans Parents,

Welcome to the first week of October. Some of the events happening this week and in the next little while at Evans include:

- Oct 4th – **Start or Mask Wearing K – 12 (See note below)**
- Oct 4th – Start FSA Assessments for Grade 4 Students
- Oct 7th – Virtual Classroom Visit Event (Evening)
- Oct 8th – **11:05 Early Dismissal (Reporting)**
- Oct 11th – **Thanksgiving (School Closed for Staff and Students)**
- Oct 12th – Virtual Assembly (online at school for students)
- Oct 13th – Registration Deadline Virtual Math Games Night
- Oct 13th – **6:30pm PAC Meeting (online using Zoom)**

K- 3 Mask Information – The provincial government has expanded its provincial health and safety measures to mandate masks for all students in B.C.

Starting Monday, Oct. 4, all public and independent school students in B.C. will be required to wear a mask when inside school buildings, including while at their desks and on buses. This is an update to previous guidelines, which mandated masks for Grade 4-12 students only. The new mandate now also applies to kindergarten to Grade 3 students.

Masks are an effective layer of protection, in concert with other measures such as frequent hand washing, daily health checks and staying home when sick.

Here are some helpful links to use with your kindergarten to Grade 3 student about how to safely wear a mask.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LsTSkUUK9v0>
- <https://thekidshouldseethis.com/post/how-to-wear-a-mask-in-school-kids-video>

For more information on provincial health and safety measures in schools, see the

[Provincial COVID-19 Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings.](#)

Kindergarten Bus Training- Our kindergarten students will be receiving training on expectation while riding a school bus and how to evacuate in case of emergency on Monday. This will allow them in the future to go on field trips on the bus.

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. The BC Ministry of Education has a site that you can access here to help with this:

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

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

(Repeat) Virtual Classroom Visit Event – In most years it has been the tradition of the school to hold a parent-teacher event where staff could connect with children and their families. With COVID-19 happening this year we have been unable to have this happen. As such we are again putting together a virtual parent-teacher event with online video's that will let you look into your child's classroom. Our hope is to have this ready to go by Thursday, October 7th. We will send further details home once it is available as to how parents can access video's posted by classes.

(Repeat) Student Behavior Form – Our school staff believes 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 again 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.

(Repeat) Virtual Family Math Night - The Chilliwack School District is hosting a virtual family game night focused on Math Grades K-5 on October 20th 6:30-7:30pm. Attached is a flyer [with a link](#) to register for this event. Once registered we will supply families with an interactive game package and instructions for picking up this package. We are hoping both parents and kids will join us for this event.

(Repeat) Student School Supplies – This school year we have working with several vendors to purchase supplies for students that are unique to each classroom and learning situation. The cost is \$45.00 for students in grades 1 – 5 (including planners) and \$40.00 for children in Kindergarten. Payments can be made with cash or a cheque made out to "Evans Elementary School". We ask that funds be submitted to the classroom teacher at the earliest opportunity. Should this present a hardship to your family please speak with your child's classroom teacher. Thanks.

(Repeat) Foundation Skills Assessment – Our Grade 4 students will be undertaking the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) in the month of October. The FSA provides vital data that helps schools, districts, and the province plan effective programs for students. We know from international assessments that BC's students are among the best in the world. The information gathered through FSA will help us continue this work.