



## Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance  
November 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022



Chilliwack  
School District

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Hello Evans Parents,

Some of the events happening this week and in the next little while at Evans include:

Nov 14<sup>th</sup> – PAC Hot Dog Orders DUE

Nov 15<sup>th</sup> – **Photo Re-Take Day (after recess)**

Nov 15<sup>th</sup> – Rock Your Moc's Week

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – **School Lockdown Drill**

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Read with the Chiefs (Mrs. Verleur's Class)

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> – Sardis Library Trip (Bridge, Ladders & Latkin's classes)

Nov 18<sup>th</sup> - PAC Hot Dog Lunch

Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> – Evans Book Fair

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Nov 24<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Dental Screenings

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> – 1:00pm Evans Month End Assembly (students)

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> – PAC Deadlines for:

- Purdy's Order Due
- Raffle Basket Collections Closes
- Pizza Hot Lunch Order goes home

Nov 25<sup>th</sup> – **Non Instructional Day (No School for Students)**

**Lockdown Drill** – On Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup> 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

**Student Photo Retake Day** – We will have our student photo re-take day on November 15<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the retake form is attached.

**Rock Your Moc's Week** - This week is ROCK Your MOCs Week to celebrate local Aboriginal Culture for youth. Children are invited to wear Moccasins or Slippers inside the school to help us celebrate.

**Evans Book Fair** - The link below is for Evans upcoming online book fair to support our school library. The fair will be held from Nov. 22-24<sup>th</sup>. Should parents have any questions please feel free to contact our library.

**Inclement Weather School Closure Guidelines** – With the weather starting to be more “winter like” we wanted to share with parents the guidelines for closure of schools in inclement weather.

Inclement weather conditions such as freezing rain, significant snowfall or high wind can occur during the fall and winter months. In such conditions, decisions on the opening or closure of school district facilities are made by the Superintendent of Schools in consultation with management and supervisory staff who have checked first-hand on the driving conditions, walking/sidewalk conditions, and general condition of buildings and accessibility to sites. *For more details on how this is done, [click here](#).*

While service to students and parents is a priority and schools will be kept open as much as is reasonably possible, student and staff safety is the primary consideration.

In the event of extreme weather conditions, parents are urged to check the **School District website** [www.sd33.bc.ca](http://www.sd33.bc.ca) or tune into radio stations **STAR FM (98.3 FM)** or **JR Country (89.5 FM)**, to receive up-to-date information on school closures and information on the buses. Reports will start after 6:00 a.m. and will be repeated often. The information broadcast is directly from the School District. The reports are confirmed and there is no need to call your school, the School District Office or the radio station.

In the event that there is inclement weather but the school remains open, it is the parent's decision, based on their assessment of the relative safety of travel conditions, as to whether or not their children attend school. Students will be marked absent for the day, but such an absence will not affect a perfect attendance record.

A **Transportation Snow Plan** is in place for students who rely on travel by school bus and live in higher elevations such as Chilliwack Mountain, Little Mountain, Majuba Hill, Ryder Lake and some areas of Columbia Valley and the Eastern Hillside. An announcement will be made should travel in these areas become challenging due to slippery road conditions. *(Please note: the greater Promontory area does not have a snow plan).*

**All inclement weather announcements will be posted on the District website [www.sd33.bc.ca](http://www.sd33.bc.ca)**

**Non Instructional Day** – Just a reminder that this Friday (November 25<sup>th</sup>) is a Non Instructional Day with no school for students

**Possible Free \$\$ for your Child's Future Education (Grades 1 – 4)** – Please find information on the 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.**

**Grade 5 Get Active Pass** - The Chilliwack Active for Life Committee is once again pleased to provide the Grade 5 "Get Active!" facility pass program. Thanks to our partners, the City of Chilliwack Recreation and Culture Department, The YMCA of Greater Vancouver and the Chilliwack School District #33, the facility passes will be made available to all Grade 5 public, private and home-schooled students in Chilliwack. The primary purpose of the program is to increase participation and fitness levels of Grade 5 students and encourage healthier lifestyle choices. **Information is attached.**



October 3, 2022

To All Chilliwack Grade 5 Students/Parents:

**SUBJECT: GRADE 5 "GET ACTIVE!" FACILITY PASS**

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The "Get Active!" facility pass provides free admission to public swims, skates and selected drop-in sports programs at the following facilities from September 1, 2022 to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023:

- Chilliwack Landing Leisure Centre (604-793-7946)
- Cheam Leisure Centre (604-824-0231)
- Chilliwack Family YMCA (604-792-3371)
- Sardis Sports Complex (604-793-2904)
- Chilliwack Coliseum Center (604-793-2904)
- Rotary Outdoor Pool (mid- May to September long weekend 604-795-5562)

To receive your free photo ID for the "Get Active!" pass please **bring this letter and proof of age along with a parent or guardian**, to one of these two facilities:

1. Chilliwack Landing Leisure Center – 9145 Corbould Street
2. Cheam Leisure Centre – 45501 Market Way

For more information, please contact one of the facilities listed above or email [recreationandculture@chilliwack.com](mailto:recreationandculture@chilliwack.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carol Marleau", written over a horizontal line.

Carol Marleau  
Active for Life Committee Member





November 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Government of British Columbia is pleased to inform you that your child may be able to receive a \$1,200 training and education savings grant.

Children are eligible if:

- The parent or guardian, and the child, are BC residents.
- The child's birth year is listed below, and the deadline has not passed:

BIRTH	APPLY BEFORE
2013	Apply before 9th birthday in 2022
2014	Apply before 9th birthday in 2023
2015	Apply before 9th birthday in 2024
2016	Start applying on 6th birthday in 2022

Once you open an account, known as a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP), the Government of British Columbia will deposit a \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant into the RESP for your child. Students can use the money to pay for their education expenses (e.g., books, tools, rent or transportation) in an apprenticeship program, a trade school, CEGEP, college, or university.

**Plan today: you don't have to put any money into the RESP for your child to receive the \$1,200.**

**Step 1:** Get Social Insurance Numbers (SINs) for you and your child. Go to <http://www.canada.ca/social-insurance-number> or call **1-800-622-6232** to find out how.

**Step 2:** Make an appointment with a financial organization that offers RESPs. Bring the **SINs for you and your child** and say:

**"I want to open an RESP and get the BC Training Education Savings grant for my child."**

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Learn more: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/BCTESG> Contact: [BCTESG@gov.bc.ca](mailto:BCTESG@gov.bc.ca) Your child may also be eligible for other, federal incentives, see: [canada.ca/education-savings](http://canada.ca/education-savings).

## Mountain West Studios - Retake Photo Day

**Tuesday, November 15th, 2022**

If your child missed the original photo day, or wish to have your child's photo retaken, please fill out the below information and return back to the school.

Child's Full Name

Grade & Division Number

Teacher Name






## INCLEMENT WEATHER SCHOOL CLOSURE GUIDELINES

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