



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
November 21st – 25th, 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 22nd – Evans Book Fair

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Nov 24th – Evans Book Fair

Nov 24th – Kindergarten Dental Screenings

Nov 24th – 1:00pm Evans Month End Assembly (students)

Nov 24th – PAC Deadlines for:

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

Nov 25th – **Non Instructional Day (No School for Students)**

Nov 28th – **Non Instructional Day (No School for Students)**

Dec 1st – New Virtue for December: Service

Dec 1st – PAC Raffle Tickets Sales Start

Non-Instructional Days – Just a reminder that Friday, November 25th and Monday, November 28th are Non-Instructional Days with no school for students

Winter Concert – I wanted to let parents know the school is planning an in-person Winter Concert this year. The plan is to have this take place on the evening of Thursday, December 15th. Further details will be provided shortly.

Volunteers – We love having volunteers at Evans !! Just a reminder that all volunteers need to get a Criminal Record Check (once every 4 years and it's free) and check in at the office once they arrive. Volunteers need to wear a Volunteer Identification badge while at the school. A reminder that once the activity you have volunteered for is completed, we ask that you please sign out at the office (we need to keep track of who is in the building for legal reasons [fire, lockdowns, etc.]). Thank you for your help here. Should you have any questions about being a Volunteer at Evans please get in touch with our office.

Evans Parking Lot and Drive Way – A reminder that cars and trucks should not be parked in the yellow marked zone at the entrance to Evans driveway as this makes the entrance to the school difficult during pick-up and drop off and is area is reserved for emergency vehicles if needed. Thanks for your help here.

(Repeat) 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. 22-24th. Should parents have any questions please feel free to contact our library.

(Repeat) 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 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

(Repeat) 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.**

(Repeat) 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 31st, 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.

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.”

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



INCLEMENT WEATHER SCHOOL CLOSURE GUIDELINES

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