



# Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance  
Sept 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023



Chilliwack  
School District

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Hello Evans Parents,

Welcome to our first full week of school at Evans Elementary. It has been my custom to send parents an email each week to provide information and a reminder for events that are happening at the school. Some of the events happening this week and in the next little while at Evans include:

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten Mini Sessions 8:30 – 10:00 OR 10:30 – 12:00  
Sept 12<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten 8:00 - 10:20 Please pack a snack  
Sept 13<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten 8:00 - 11:50 Please pack a snack  
Sept 13<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 pm PAC Meeting #1 @ Evans Library  
Sept 14<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten 8:00 - 12:45 Please pack a snack AND lunch  
Sept 15<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten 8:00 - 1:15 Please pack a snack AND lunch  
Sept 15<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Classroom Placements will be communicated  
Sept 18<sup>th</sup> - First Full Day of Kindergarten (8:00 - 2:07)  
Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 – 6:30 pm Family BBQ – Details Shortly

**Bell Schedule** - Our school has some changes in the bell schedule to accommodate a 2 week spring break this year for families and students. Our bell schedule this year is as follows:

- 8:03 a.m. Warning Bell
- 8:05 a.m. School Starts
- 10:05 – 10:20 a.m. Recess
- 11:50 – 12:35 p.m. LUNCH
- 2:01 p.m. Dismissal

**Student School Supplies** –The cost will be \$45.00 for students in grades 1 – 5 and \$8.00 for a planner. Classroom teachers will be in touch shortly to arrange for collecting funds from students. Payments can be made with cash or a cheque made out to “Evans Elementary School”.

**PAC Meetings** – Our first PAC meeting this school year is Wednesday, September 13th @ 6:30pm in the Library.

**Calendar & Upcoming Events** –Keeping checking our calendar for updates to information and events. Important dates and information will also be included in the Week at a Glance.

**Parent – Teacher BBQ** – Our plan is to have a family – staff BBQ on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. Further details will be sent home on this in the next little while.

**School PBS Matrix & Code of Conduct** – Our school has two approaches to helping students understand behavioral expectations. Our School Matrix (attached) are the positive behaviors we teach to students on a daily basis and are part of our “gotcha being good” draws. ***We focus on all students being Kind, Respectful and Responsible !!*** The Code of Conduct is a requirement of the BC Ministry of Education and sets out expectations for items such as conduct, dress, etc. while students are at school. The Code of Conduct will be reviewed at our first PAC Meeting (and is being updated) and can be found on our [school website here](#).

**Website** – As much as possible we will try and keep [the website](#) up-to-date once the school year has begun. Important information from the school district & school will be posted on the front page of the school website. Please keep checking this for the latest information. (Other pages on the website are currently being revised and should be updated shortly with information from the current school year).

**After School Care** – Wind and Tide runs a before and after-school child care program at Evans Elementary School. Should you be interested in having your child in childcare please contact them directly at (604)847-3254.

**Volunteers**– Please see your child’s teacher or the school office if you would like to volunteer at the school. All volunteers must have completed a Criminal Records Check. The forms can be obtained from our office.

## **Drop off & Pick-Up Of Children**

### **Morning Drop Off**

In the morning when students are arriving at school we ask that they not arrive before 7:50am when supervision is available. For parents who walk their child to school (or are here with their child) we ask that you remain behind the fenced area at the front or on the “track area” if you walk your child to the side of the school. For parents who drive their children we ask that you drop and leave after ensuring your child is safely off the parking lot or driveway areas.

### **Afternoon Pick-Up**

For parents who are who walking their child home (or waiting to pick their child up) from school we ask that you arrange to meet your child behind the fenced area at the front of the school or on the “track area” to the side of the school. For parents who drive their children and have their vehicles in the drop off and pick-up areas, we ask that you remain with your vehicles in the front driveway leaving only briefly to ensuring your child gets safely into the vehicle.

We thank you so much for your help and support with this plan. We are working hard to ensure that all children are as safe as possible at all times during the day including to and from school.

# Evans Elementary School Matrix

	Kindness	Respect	Responsibility
Classroom & Pods	<p>I can make choices that are thoughtful of others.</p>	<p>I can treat classmates the way I want to be treated.</p> <p>I can use proper manners.</p>	<p>I can listen and follow expectations.</p>
Line-ups & Hallways	<p>I can be flexible, helpful, and patient while waiting in line.</p>	<p>I can keep my hands and feet to myself and be aware of personal space.</p>	<p>I can line up single file, stay in my spot, and keep to the right side.</p> <p>I can maintain “Quiet Coyote”.</p>
Bathrooms	<p>I can help keep the bathrooms clean.</p>	<p>I can give others privacy.</p> <p>I can use an inside voice.</p>	<p>I can flush the toilet, wash my hands, and leave quickly.</p>
Outside & Playground	<p>I can include others and play fairly.</p> <p>I can use kind words while playing.</p>	<p>I can keep my hands and feet to myself.</p> <p>I can follow directions from staff.</p>	<p>I can play safely and return all equipment.</p> <p>I can use my “WITS” when problem solving.</p>