



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
January 5th – 9th, 2024



Chilliwack
School District

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Hello Evans Parents,

Please find attached information on some of the events happening at Evans this week.:

Feb 14th – Valentines Day

Feb 14th – 10:20 Heritage Village Trip (Pitcher)

Feb 14th – 6:00 pm PAC Meeting (Library)

Feb 15th – The Power of Connection Parent Night (info attached)

Feb 16th – Non-Instructional Day (No School for Students)

Feb 19th – Family Day Holiday (School Closed Students and Staff)

Feb 21st – 1:30 Evans Monthly Assembly

Feb 22nd – PAC Break the Rules Day (further details to come)

Feb 23rd – Evans School Lockdown Drill

Feb 23rd – 11:45 PAC Hot Lunch

Feb 23rd – 5:30pm Family Movie Night

Kindergarten Registration –For Fall 2024 is now open and spaces are filling fast. We would ask anyone who has a child who will be attending Evans or knows someone who has a child who will be attending Evans to please register as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. You can access online [registration here](#).

Family Movie Night - We have confirmed Movie night will be Feb 23. Doors open at 5:30pm

Parent Learning Opportunity - The Ministry of Education and Child Care, in partnership with adolescent Clinical Psychologist, Dr. Hayley Watson, will be hosting free virtual sessions on youth substance use for parents/guardians, caregivers and caring adults. Dr. Watson will provide valuable insights, practical tips, and resources to equip participants with the tools needed to guide their children and youth toward making positive choices when it comes to substance use.

Key Takeaways for Participants:

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances.
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs.
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances.
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home.

Participants must register in advance due to limited capacity. Session dates are:

- February 20, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST - [Click here to Register](#)
- February 22, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST – [Click here to Register](#)
- February 24, 6:00 – 7:30 pm PST - [Click here to Register](#)

Registration for Transportation in 2024-25 school year (For Parent Information from SD#33) - Our transportation team has been hard at work developing some new and easier processes for registration next year. Since bus routes are built based on student registrations, encouraging anyone who will be riding the bus to register is essential to starting the year out successfully. ** Registration will open next week **

We encourage you to promote this to your current and future parents, guardians... etc. we can all help make the start of the year successful. For more information on the process and incentives for registering early see: [2024-2025 school bus registration information](#)

Rising to Resilience: The Power of Connection Parent Night – The Chilliwack School District is pleased to present an evening with Dr. Jean Clinton 6:00-7:00pm on Thursday, February 15th The talk is called Rising to Resilience: The Power of Connection and we will explore what it takes to have our children and youth get through difficult and challenging times by looking at how the brain works and develops at different ages. We will look at what we can do as parents of kids to help them develop these strategies. Further info attached to this WAG.

(Repeat) Dressing for the Weather... With winter now here, it is important that students dress for the colder and wet weather. Unless the temperature and wind chill are well below 0° C we will always have outside days if it is not raining too heavily. As such, having your child dress for the weather is very important. We would encourage parents whose children are too sick to go outside, to consider keeping their children at home.

(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

The KIDS Lab and 20 Harvest Challenge team, in collaboration with the College of Arts and the Centre for Philosophy for Children at the University of the Fraser Valley

INVITE YOUR FAMILY TO: PSYCH'D ABOUT READING

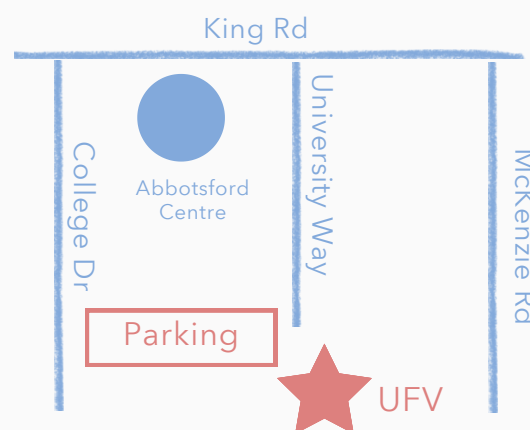
This **FREE** event is an opportunity for families and children to read together, engage in literacy-related activities, and learn more about the development of reading, drawing, and imagination. There will be books and activities for infants and children up to age 10.

 SATURDAY MARCH 9, 2024

 9AM - 2:30PM

 FREE

 INFANTS - AGE 10



UNIVERSITY OF THE FRASER VALLEY,
33844 KING RD, ABBOTSFORD, BC V2S 7M7
BUILDING B, ROOMS 132 AND 140



Kids in Developmental Science (KIDS) Laboratory
@UFVKIDSLAB | kidslab@ufv.ca | (604) 504-7441 ext. 4206



FEB 15, 2024
6:00 - 7:00PM
Neighbourhood
Learning Centre

PARENT NIGHT

presented by
Learning Services



**Chilliwack
School District**

Rising to Resilience: The Power of Connection



With Dr. Jean Clinton

**Presented by Dr. Jean Clinton BMus MD FRCP(C) Clinical Professor
McMaster University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural
Neurosciences**

We will explore what it takes to have our children and youth get through difficult and challenging times by looking at how the brain works and develops at different ages. We will look at what we can do as parents of kids to help them develop these strategies. **Spoiler alert: Their relationship with you and caring adults is key!**

- **Date:** February 15, 2024
- **Time:** Doors open at 5:30pm
- **Location:** Neighbourhood Learning Centre

*First 100 people to register will
receive Dr. Clinton's book!*

Register today!

