



Evans Elementary School

Parent Week at a Glance
April 8th - 12th 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:.

- April 8th – 9:30 – 11:30 Ready, Set, Learn Pre-School Fair
- April 8th – **10:43 Solar Eclipse**. This may impact our lunch break.
- April 8th – 12:45 Evans Den Groups
- April 9th – Evans Basketball (away game @ Bernard)
- April 10th – 6:00pm PAC Meeting (Library)
- April 11th – 10:00 am District Reading Link Challenge (Grade 4/5)
- April 12th – 11:50 PAC Hot Lunch (free for students)
- April 12th – 2:10 pm Super Science Club
- April 16th – Evans Basketball (home game Rosedale @ Evans)
- April 17th – 1:30 Monthly Assembly
- April 19th – 2:10 pm Super Science Club

Kindergarten Registration – 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](#).

Solar Eclipse- This is well after our recess but may impact our lunch break. Further information is attached.

Evans Basketball – See attached schedule information.

Evans Outdoor Club - Starting Monday April 8th, 2024 (Primary) and April 10th, 2024 (Intermediate) there will be an outdoor club that will be held over the next 5 weeks ending on May 8th, 2024. Each week there will be a variety of activities that include planting seeds, Earth Day posters, nature scavenger hunts, and outdoor bingo/games. The goal for this club is to have students interact collaboratively with their peers, participate in hands on activities, and while gaining outdoor knowledge around our school.

Weekly Focuses are as follows:

- Week 1- April 8 (Primary), April 10 (Intermediate) – Expectations and activity breakdown
- Week 2. April 15 (Primary), April 17 (Intermediate)- Earth Day Poster
- Week 3- April 22 (Primary), April 24 (Intermediate)- Planting Seeds
- Week 4 – April 29 (Primary), May 1 (Intermediate) - School nature scavenger hunt
- Week 5 – May 6 (Primary), May 8 (Intermediate) - Outdoor Bingo game.

Chilliwack Garden Program - Registration for the [Chilliwack Students' Garden Program](#) 2024 season is open until April 8th. We still have a few spaces open, so register soon to join us... celebrating 120 years of “loving kids into loving gardens”! The first 240 students to register (by April 8th) will enjoy everything Chilliwack kids in the program have since 1904:

- learn to grow flowers and veggies at home (options for containers, small, or large garden plots)
- receive seeds, instructions, and tips
- win prizes and enter the Chilliwack Fair

Complete the online application here: <https://chilliwackstudents.wixsite.com/home/application-form>. Further information is attached.

Evans Basketball Team

Your child has shown an interest in our grade 5 basketball team.

Practices will be held on Wednesday's ***during the eating period at lunchtime.***

Commitment to practices and games are essential for a successful basketball season. ***For students to participate in games, they must attend practices and be students in good standing.***

Our Schedule: Game Days are Tuesday afterschool.

April 9: Evans **at** Bernard (**Away game**)

April 16: Robertson **at** Evans (**Home game**)

April 23: Rosedale **at** Evans (**Home game**)

April 30: Evans vs Strathcona (**Location TBA**)

May 7: Cheam **at** Evans (**Home game**)

Parents are responsible for driving their child to and from games (there is no bus or transportation provided.) Most games run 35-45 minutes and usually start when the away team arrives at the home team's gym.

We are looking forward to a great basketball season!!!!

Mr Dyck and Mrs Buchanan.

Feel free to email Mr Dyck with any questions.
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NOTICE TO PARENTS

Partial Solar Eclipse - April 8, 2024

A total solar eclipse is occurring on Monday, April 8. In BC, we will see a partial solar eclipse, which will begin at 10:43am and end at 12:20pm. While this is an exciting and rare event, we must remember to take safety precautions. Looking directly at the sun during a solar eclipse can cause instant, severe eye injury. It is important to employ legitimate protective measures in these circumstances.

While we will not experience full darkness in the Fraser Valley, students' outdoor time may be limited or adjusted during the eclipse for improved safety.

Phase	Time	Event	Direction	Altitude
	10:43:11 Mon, Apr 8	Partial eclipse begins The moment the edge of the Moon touches the edge of the Sun is called first contact.	 130°	 37.8°
	11:30:54 Mon, Apr 8	Maximum eclipse The deepest point of the eclipse, with the Sun at its most hidden.	 144°	 43.0°
	12:20:01 Mon, Apr 8	Partial eclipse ends The edge of the Moon leaves the edge of the Sun.	 161°	 46.9°

This image depicts the times and progression of the partial solar eclipse in our area on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Image from timeanddate.com

Here are some tips to watch the eclipse SAFELY:

Safety Focus: Ensure your eyes are protected at all times by using solar eclipse viewers that meet international standard ISO 12312-2 for safe viewing. Make sure that the glasses are not damaged or scratched before use. Sunglasses, even those with a very dark tint, are not sufficient protection.

Don't Get Burned! Staring at the sun without protection may damage your retinas (the tissue at the back of your eye), a condition called "solar retinopathy." This damage can occur without any sensation of pain and can be temporary or permanent.

Go Indirect – Project: If you can't find eclipse viewers, make a [pinhole projector](#) to watch the eclipse. It's important to only watch the screen, not the sun. Never look at the sun through the pinhole.

Watch Online: Check out the [NASA/Exploratorium](#) livestream.

Check It Out: If you experience any problems with your eyes or vision after the eclipse, visit your optometrist promptly.

Learn more about [Solar Eclipse Safety](#).

CHILLIWACK STUDENTS' GARDEN PROGRAM TURNS 120!

Hey—it's our birthday! We're celebrating with new friends 😊

We're turning 120 this year, so we're accepting 120 gardeners in Grades K-5 and 120 gardeners in Grades 6-12 for the 2024 season.

Registration is open to all Chilliwack students—including those from SD33, independent schools, and homeschoolers.

HURRY! REGISTRATION CLOSES ON APRIL 8TH!

We're also welcoming...

- 10 new garden judges
 - Come to our CSGP Judges meet + greet on June 10th!
- 20 new volunteers
 - Get involved with what interests you—choose how and when you help.
 - Free entry to the Chilliwack Fair if you help staff our display booth there!
- 120 new friends on social media
 - Enjoy tips, tricks, reminders, and inspiration.

*Connect with us on
Facebook or Instagram to
be part of the next 120
years of loving kids into
loving gardens.*

