



SEPT 8-12, 2025

# HAWKS NEWS

## Week at a Glance



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ey Swayel East Chilliwack Families,



We had a wonderful week being back at school and seeing all the students! Warm welcome to all our new students! Today we ended our week with a Welcome Assembly and our Hawks demonstrated outstanding SOAR behaviour! We set our classes today, and teachers will be communicating with parents/guardians. We are looking forward to a fabulous year ahead, working together to help our little hawks soar to their greatest potential!

~ Mrs. Carolyn Ingham

### Staffing announcements:

- Shaelyn Quickfall (formerly Woods) has returned from her maternity leave as our Child and Youth Care Worker
- Jacob Sinclair is our new Teacher Librarian this year, while Ms. Bergen is on leave
- Victoria Halcrow will be our new Grade 2 teacher starting on Monday
- We have our Kindergarten (K/1) position posted, and hopefully, we will have it filled in the next few weeks.
- Ms. Hodson is temporarily teaching in our K/1 position

Mon. Sept. 8

**Kindergartens attend 8:30 - 11 am**

Tues. Sept. 9

**Kindergartens attend 8:30 - 11 am**

Wed. Sept. 10

**Kindergartens attend 8:30 - 12:00**

Thurs. Sept. 11

**Kindergartens attend 8:30 - 12:50**

Fri. Sept. 12

**Kindergartens attend 8:30 - 12:50**



# Upcoming Dates

Sept. 15 - First full day of Kindergarten

Sept. 18 - Meet the Teacher BBQ - 5:00 - 6:30

Sept. 19 - Fire Drill

Sept. 24 - Photo Day (individual photos)

Sept. 25 - Terry Fox Run at 9:00 am

Sept. 26 - Orange Shirt Day/assembly/bus evacuation drills

Sept. 29 - Pro-D Day - no school for students

Sept. 30 - Truth and Reconciliation Day

## Parent Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering for your child's field trips or in the classroom, please be sure to have an up-to-date police record check completed. Please see the attached Applicant Guide if you'd like to apply for a police record check.



## Parking Lot and Pick Up



We have a small, one-way parking lot. Drop off and pickup time is extremely busy. Student safety is our prime concern. If you are making the choice to pick up or drop off, please be mindful of student safety. Watch for students crossing the parking lot, exercise patience, and expect it to be congested.

A couple of guidelines will help keep the parking lot moving:

- The drive through lanes in the middle of the parking lot are for pickup/drop off only. Do not leave your car unattended in these lanes. If you need to leave your vehicle, please park in a perimeter parking stall.
  - We have three lanes in the parking lot:
    - a. Lane 1 is closest to the school and is the bus lane.
    - b. Lane 2 is the Pickup and Drop-off Lane.
    - c. Lane 3 is the Thru lane. In the morning when traffic is at its busiest, staff may direct you into the through lane (lane 3) to drop off. We do this so that traffic doesn't back out onto the road. Remind your child each day before they exit your vehicle to look both ways before crossing to the school.
    - d. At dismissal time, parents can park their vehicles in the dedicated parking spots on the east side of the parking lot by our school street sign (back in only) or in both the pickup/drop-off lane and the thru lane (but not leave your vehicle). We do this once again so that traffic doesn't back out onto the road.
  - At dismissal time, please make sure you are not blocking our entrance to the parking lot. We must fit 4-5 busses into the parking lot, and they need a wide area to turn into the parking lot. They will honk their horns to have you move if you're blocking access.

### **Family Accident Reimbursement Plan (FARP) Voluntary Insurance**

The Chilliwack School District or Schools Protection Program (SPP) does not insure expenses for student injuries that happen on school grounds or during school activities. Parents/Guardians are responsible for these expenses. IA Financial Group offers a comprehensive accident insurance plan with a critical illness component designed for the whole family.

The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan is ideal for supplementing costs not covered by your provincial health insurance or existing employer extended health and dental plans. Regardless of the size of your family, all eligible family members can be insured under one set monthly rate.

To apply or to find out more, visit: <https://specialmarkets.ia.ca/aonbc/home>  
Student Accident Insurance

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### **Fair Notice**

The Chilliwack School District and community partners are committed to making our schools safe for students and staff. As a result, schools will respond to all student behaviours that pose a potential risk to themselves, other students, staff and members of the community.

### **School Supplies:**

The cost for school supplies is \$60.00 for all grades. Classroom teachers will be distributing school supplies to the students. Families will be able to pay for school supplies online and the school district will be emailing parents a student account statement for the school supplies in September. Classroom teachers will not be collecting any money. If you are unable to pay online, please pay directly at the office with cash or credit card.

### **ATTENDANCE**

To enter an absence, use the Safe Arrival App. Please follow the link for more information at <https://www.sd33.bc.ca/safe-arrival>. This is the preferred way to log a student's absence, late arrival or early dismissal. You can also call the school at (604) 794-7533, or email Ms. Deputan at [lisa\\_deputan@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:lisa_deputan@sd33.bc.ca) if your child is going to be absent, arrive late or for an early dismissal time.