

May 2025

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Message from the Admin Team...

May is always a busy and exciting time around our school, and this year is no exception! We have many events and activities happening, and we want to extend a big thank you to our amazing staff for providing our students with so many rich learning opportunities, both inside and outside of the classroom. It's wonderful to see our students so engaged and enthusiastic.

As we look ahead to next year, we are continuing to grow! We are excited to share that we will be offering 24 middle school classes and 16 elementary classes in the fall. We are in the process of welcoming new staff members to our team, and we look forward to the new energy and ideas they will bring to our school community.

With all of the outdoor activities planned, we kindly remind families to ensure that students are coming to school dressed appropriately for the change spring weather. Layers, proper footwear, and rain jackets are a good idea as we never know what a May day might bring!

Thank you, as always, for your continue support. We are looking forward to a fun and memorable final stretch of the school year!

Instructional Time with Students

During class time we make it a practice to minimize classroom disruptions to teachers and students. Learning time is important! If you have a message or to drop off lunch for your child during instructional time, please leave it with Mrs. Mercer at the office.

Walk Your Wheels

Please remind your children to "walk their wheels" once they reach school property. Also, students are reminded to wear their helmets to protect their developing brain.



Important Dates to Remember...

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May 2 nd	Ready, Set, Explore	
May 7 th	PAC Popcorn Day	
May 8 th	Indigenous Family Gathering	
May 16 th	Non Instructional Day –	
	No School for Students!	
May 19 th	Victoria Day (Stat) – No School	
May 21 st	PAC Popcorn Day	
May 22 nd	PAC (AGM) Meeting @ 7 pm	
May 28 th	Grade 5 Parent Information Night	
May 30 th	Assessment & Evaluation Day –	
	No School for Students!	
June 6 th	KinderFair	
June 11 th	Band Concert	
June 17 th	Grade 6 Immunizations (Part 2)	
June 20 th	Indigenous Peoples Day	
June 23 rd	Elementary Sports Day	
June 25 th	Summary of Learning Goes Home	
June 25 th	Middle Sports Day	
June 26 th	Last Day of School – Dismissal @	
	11:31 am	

Stitó:s Family Gathering – May 8th

Stitó:s is delighted to host a family gathering on the evening of May 8th. The doors will open at 5:30 pm, featuring bingo, Bannock, and a special performance of the B.C. song by Greendale Elementary students. Invitations were sent home with students on Monday, April 28th, including a QR code for families to RSVP. All Stitó:s staff and families are welcome! We eagerly anticipate this evening of celebration, remembrance, and community building, and look forward to welcoming you.



PAC is looking for 10 volunteers to help with Hot Lunch for each of the Sports Days...

- Elementary Sports Day June 23
 - Middle Sports Day June 25

Just a reminder that <u>all</u> volunteers must have a completed Police Information Check (PIC) – forms are available outside the school office.

Please email PAC if you can help: slt-pac@sd33.bc.ca

Summer Learning

The 2025 Summer Learning Program Course Catalogue is available. Find elementary and middle school courses, full credit secondary courses, agricultural program, Indigenous programs and more! Registration opened April 7th: Summer Learning 2025 | Chilliwack School District #33.

Bus Registration for 2025 / 2026

Each rider must register each year. Bus registration for 2025/2026 is open for all riders on May 1st! Register early for a chance to win an iPad! Learn more: <u>Bus Registration</u> 2025-2026 | Chilliwack School District #33.

Registration Fee:

- February May 31 (No Charge)
- June 1 \$50
- July 1 \$75



Stitó:s PAC

Did you know that you are a member of the PAC? All parents are members of our PAC and encouraged to attend the PAC meeting. PAC meetings provide parents with information about our school, a chance to ask questions or raise concerns and a chance to become involved with our school. The next PAC meeting will be **Thursday**, **May 22nd** at **7:00 pm**.

Counsellors' Corner

So much exciting news for May! The Green Crew has been busy planning our 3rd annual Mental Health week here at Stitó:s and there is a lot going on including Child and Youth Mental Health Day on May 7th.

Every day during May 5-9, we will be celebrating Mental Health Awareness with a different Spirit Day. From mindfulness to friendship to gratitude, there is a different activity and theme each day! See the poster below for all the fun! Here are a few more details about our Mental Health Week:

Monday, May 5th – Wear Red to honour all girls and women and to remember MMIGW2S

Tuesday, May 6th @ 7 pm – Come out and support the Unbroken Project at Chilliwack Cultural Centre featuring our band students!

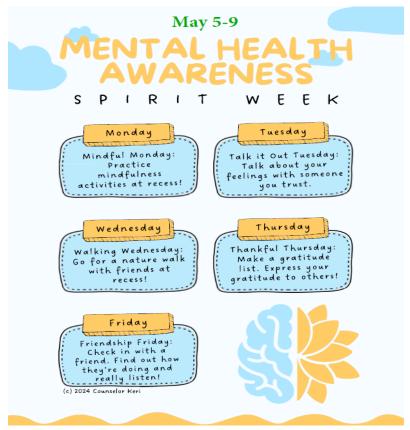
Wednesday, May 7th – Wear Green for Child and Youth Mental Health Day!

Grade 6 students have mental health awareness activity stations led by staff and community partners.

Thursday, May 8th – Family Gathering – Doors Open at 5:30 pm **Friday, May 9th** – Friendship Friday!

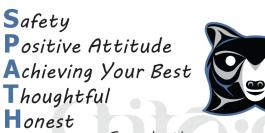
- Every day during mental health week, there will be student activities at lunch. Please listen to the announcements for more information!
- There are loads of community activities to do from May 1-7 that include a kick-off BBQ, sports, movies, and even a skateboard jam! See the BC Youth Week flyer for more details.
- For parents and caregivers: Join us for three special online events to celebrate National Child & Youth Mental Health Day. These conversations bring together parents, caring adults, and experts to share experiences, insights, and practical ways to support the mental health of children and youth. To register for these events: https://may7icare.ca/events/

Here's a sneak peek at what's going on. For more information, visit the Counsellors' Corner on the school website or click this link: https://secure.smore.com/n/83rca









Towards others Towards yourself Towards your community



National Child

& Youth Mental

Health Day UPCOMING ONLINE EVENTS

SUPPORTING KIDS WITH SUBSTANCE MISUSE SUBSTANCE USE AND THE POWER OF SUPPORT

Grade 8's interested in playing spring tackle for Sardis Falcons Spring Season starts June 2nd.
Practices will be 5-7:30 at Sardis Secondary Monday through Friday until June 13th Game on June 1 Contact Coach Parmar with uestions: sukh_parmar@sd3:

Stitó:s Library Learning Cómmons

Check It Out Family Newsletter, May 2025

May the Fourth Be With You!

Learning Commons Newsletter Link https://secure.smore.com/n/z6su4





Days in Session	187
Number of Instructional Days	177
Number of Non-Instructional Days	10
Schools Open	September 2
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #1 (Pro-D Day)	September 29
Truth and Reconciliation Day – Statutory Holiday	September 30
Thanksgiving Day - Statutory Holiday	October 13
Early Dismissal Day #1	October 23
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #2 (Pro-D Day)	October 24 (Provincial)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #3 (A&E Day #1)	November 3
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #4 (Pro-D Day)	November 10
Remembrance Day - Statutory Holiday	November 11
Last Day of School before Christmas Holidays	December 19
Christmas Holidays	December 22 to January 2
Schools Reopens after Christmas Holidays	January 5
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #5 (A&E Day #2)	January 23
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #6 (Pro-D Day)	February 13
Family Day - Statutory Holiday	February 16
Early Dismissal Day #2	February 27
Last Day of School before Spring Vacation	March 13
Spring Vacation Period	March 16 - March 27
Schools Reopens after Spring Vacation	March 30
Good Friday - Statutory Holiday	April 3
Easter Monday - Holiday	April 6
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #7 (Pro-D Day)	April 24 (CTA)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #8 (Pro-D Day)	May 15
Victoria Day - Statutory Holiday	May 18
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #9 (A&E Day #3)	May 29
Last Day for Students / Early Dismissal #3	June 25
Administrative Day	June 26

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Your local school is hosting an open house for preschoolers and their parents! **Ready, Set, Explore** is a series of fun and informative events focusing on early childhood learning.

Ready, Set, Explore is a great opportunity to connect with your preschooler's future neighborhood school. **Ready, Set, Explore** events can include interactive play activities for children and their parents, a time to meet and connect with school staff, school tours, visits to the school library and other activities that support preschool aged children's learning.

Please note: Dates and times are subject to change, please contact the school prior to attending.

	Ready Set	
School	Learn	Time
Bernard	February 26	11:00-12:00
Central	May 23	1:00-2:00
Cheam	April 24	10:30-12:00
Cultus Lake	April 16	12:45-1:45
East Chilliwack	February 24	9:00-10:00
Evans	April 10	9:30-11:00
Greendale	February 24	10:30-11:30
Leary IAT	February 11	8:45-9:45
Little Mountain	February 12	8:45-11:50
McCammon	May 23	12:45-1:45
Promontory	May 27	8:45-11:30
Robertson	January 30	1:00-2:00
Robertson	February 27	1:00-2:00
Robertson	April 30	1:00-2:00
Rosedale	April 7	9:00-11:00
Sardis	February 7	1:00-2:00
Stito:s	May 2	9:15-10:45
Strathcona	February 26	9:00-10:30
Tyson	February 21	9:00-10:00
Unsworth	January 30	9:00-11:00
Vedder	May 28	8:30-11:30
Watson	February 19	10:30-11:30
Yarrow	June 10	9:00-10:00



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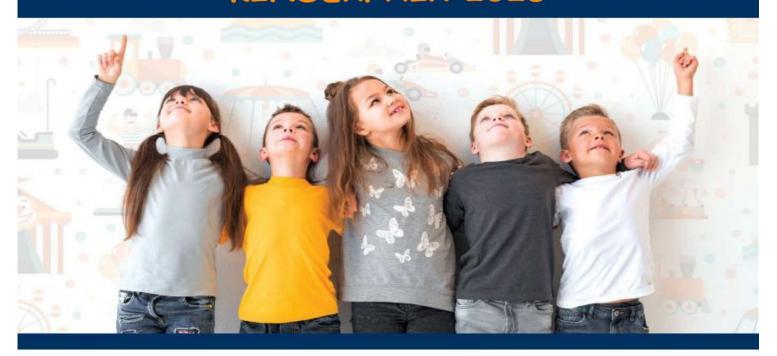
~One heart, one mind, working together for a common purpose.



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KINDERFAIR 2025



We can't wait to meet you and welcome you to your elementary school community!

Kinderfair is an annual school event dedicated to supporting a positive transition to school for our upcoming kindergarten students and their caregivers. You will be invited to:

- Participate in activities with your child
- Meet and interact with school staff
- Familiarize yourself with the school
- Ask questions
- Connect with educators who will support your child's educational journey

Please note: Dates and times are subject to change, please contact the school prior to attending.

School	Date	Time
Bernard	May 7, 14, 21, 28	10:00-11:00
Central	May 23	1:00-2:00
Cultus Lake	June 11	12:45-1:45
East Chilliwack	May 12	9:00-10:00
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Robertson	March 27	9:00-10:00 10:30-11:30
Rosedale	May 22	9:00-11:15
Sardis	May 22	1:00-2:00
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Yarrow	June 10	9:00-10:00



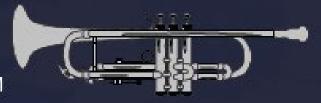
Compositions by Randall Standridge

Presented by the Band programs of the Chilliwack School District.

CHILLIWACK CULTURAL CENTRE

MAY 6TH, 2025 @ 7:00PM

HUB THEATRE



Oreated By: Kate Blatz (Etito-s Gr 8)





SD33 Just B4 Preschools 2025/2026

The Chilliwack School District is currently accepting applications for children born in 2021 for September 2025 start of our Just B4 Preschool at **Robertson**, **Vedder and Watson** locations. Just B4 Preschool employs certified Early Childhood Educators who provide a positive and nurturing early learning experience while fostering curiosity, creativity and growth through play-based learning.

All locations offer two classes to choose from:

M/W/F 8:30-11:00am (\$190 per month) Tu/Th 8:30-11:00am (\$157 per month)







Eligible families may apply for the BC Affordable Child Care Benefit Subsidy to assist with preschool fees

Interested in learning more?

Visit our website & fill out our request form: earlylearning.sd33.bc.ca



justb4-registration@sd33.bc.ca



*Completing the application does not guarantee a spot in this program. Families will be contacted regarding available space(s).





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SD33 Before and After School Care 2025/2026

The Chilliwack School District operates Before and After School care programs at the following Elementary locations:

Central, Cheam, Greendale, Robertson, Sardis, Unsworth, and Vedder.

Our SD33 BASC programs employ certified Education Assistants to provide before and after school care.

This inclusive care program is designed to provide a comforting environment for our students before and after school. We offer daily outdoor play, planned activities, art & crafts and more.

Not only is it convenient for parents to have school and care in one location, Early Childhood Educators, Education Assistants and our Primary teachers have a shared philosophy of learning, using B.C.'s Early Learning Framework as their guide.

Families interested in applying for a spot in the program for their child(ren) can sign up on our website:

www.earlylearning.sd33.bc.ca

Hours of operation:

• Before school: 7:00am – Morning Bell

• After school: Dismissal Bell - 5:30pm





Fees for Before & After School Care:

- Kindergarten: \$222
- Grades 1 to 5: \$ 427
- The fees listed above reflect the savings provided through the Child Care Fee Reduction Initiative, without CCFRI, the full monthly fee would be \$542
- Eligible families may apply for the **BC Affordable Child Care Benefit Subsidy** to assist with Child Care fees.

Notes:

- Before and After Care is available for Gr. K-5, please contact childcare-registration@sd33.bc.ca for more information.
- Completing the request form does not guarantee a spot in this program. Families will be contacted when spaces become available



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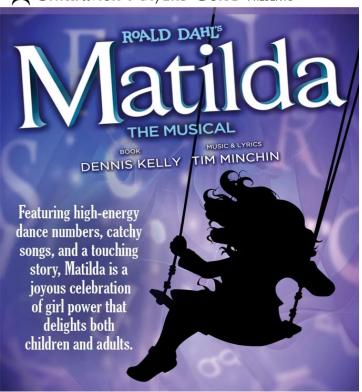






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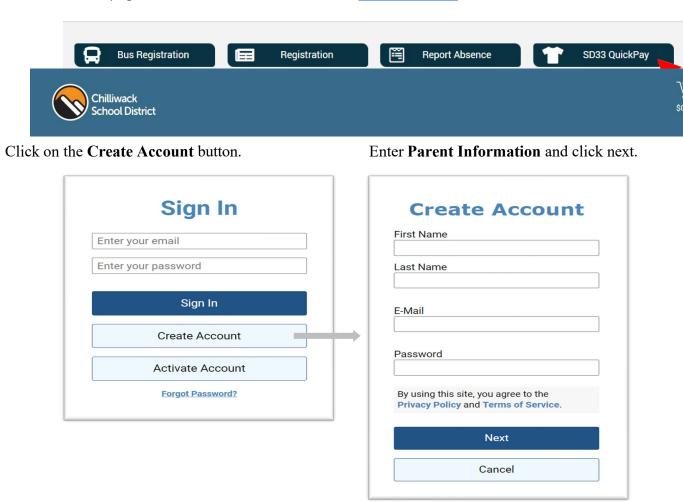
Chilliwack Players Guild PRESENTS



Student Quick Pay Set-Up

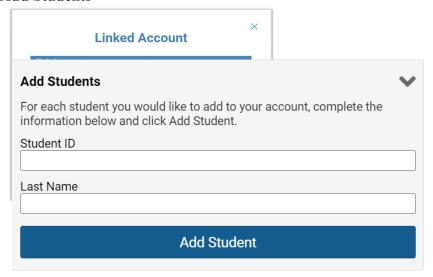
Go to our school website: https://stitos.sd33.bc.ca

Scroll down the page to locate and click on the button SD33 Quick Pay



Click on **Menu** in the top right corner of the screen. Select **Linked Accounts** to add your student/s.

Click Add Students



Enter your Student's ID Number Enter Student's Legal Last Name

Click Add Student – this will link the student to your online account.

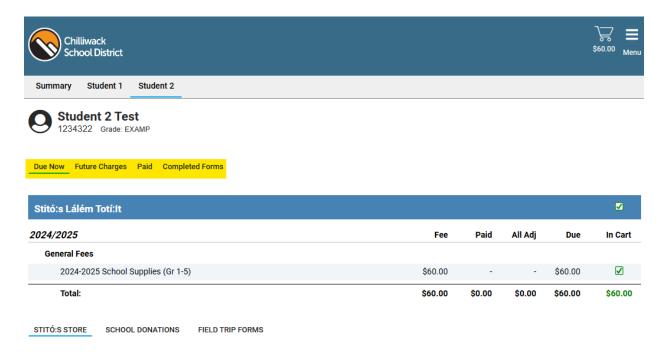
Once you have added all the students you would like to link to your account, click Done.

Student Permission Forms

Once you have logged in to your students account you will be able to view all students attached to that account.



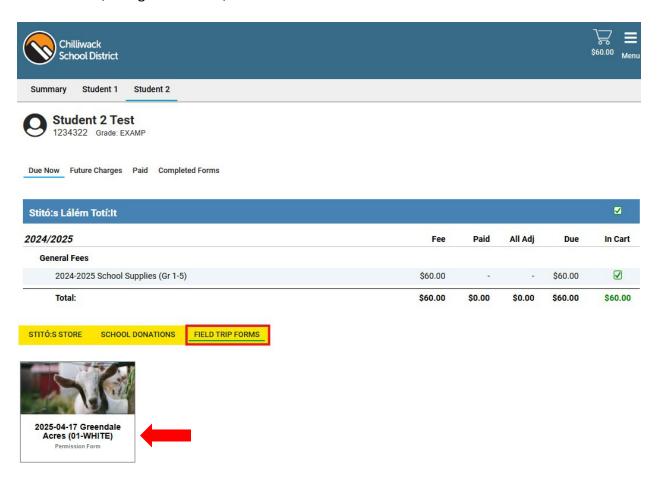
Select the student that you would like to view by clicking on their name on the top tabs.



The student fees, available items and permission forms are accessible here.

- Any fees that are due immediately will appear on the first page, as the "**Due Now**" tab is automatically selected.
- Any upcoming fees can be viewed and paid through the "Future Charges" tab.
- All paid fees and purchased items are visible through the "Paid" tab.
- The final tab "Completed Forms" is where you will find any permission slips that have been submitted.

To submit a fill out and submit a permission form for your students upcoming field trip, you will need to move to the second set of tabs, along the bottom, and locate "FIELD TRIP FORMS."



Once you have selected the tab, all the available forms will appear on the bottom. Simply click on the form you would like to fill out. Once the form is completed, the fee will be added to your students account and will be available to pay.