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Message from the Admin Team...

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year at Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt Elementary/Middle School! We hope you enjoyed a wonderful summer and had the opportunity to relax, recharge, and make special memories with family and friends. We are excited to begin another year of learning, growth, and connection together.

This year, we are proud to share that our school community has grown to more than 930 students. This is an incredible milestone and a reflection of the strong relationships, support, and sense of belonging that make Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt such a special place to learn and grow.

As we begin the year, we would also like to provide some information about our class placement process. With nearly 1,000 students, creating classes is a complex and thoughtful undertaking. Our staff works closely with classroom teachers, Learning Services staff, and other school team members to ensure classes are balanced and designed to support the academic, social, and emotional needs of all learners. We also consider staffing requirements and district guidelines throughout the process.

Because of the significant planning and care that goes into class organization, changes to placements will only be considered in exceptional circumstances where there is a clear educational reason to do so. We appreciate your trust and understanding as we work to create the best possible learning environment for every student.

Our dedicated staff is eager to welcome students into classrooms filled with curiosity, creativity, care, and opportunity. We look forward to a year of meaningful learning experiences, strong relationships, exciting activities, and continued growth for all members of our school community.

We are also excited to connect with families throughout the month of September. We hope you will join us for our first Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting on September 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Foods Room, where families can learn more about the year ahead and how to become involved in our school community. We are also looking forward to welcoming families to our Meet the Teacher Night on September 23 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., an excellent opportunity to visit classrooms, meet staff, and strengthen the important home-school connection that helps students thrive.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support. Together, we will make the 2026-2027 school year a successful, inspiring, and memorable one for every learner.

Warm regards,

The Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt Administration Team

E-Scooters and E-Bikes on School Property

Student must be at least 16 years old to operate an e-scooter in BC. To align with provincial laws, students are not permitted to bring e-scooters or e-bikes to our elementary or middle schools.

Please [click](#) here for the Provincial Legislation and Regulations.



Important Dates to Remember

September 16 th	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
September 23 rd	Meet the Teacher Night (5:30 – 6:30 pm)
September 25 th	Picture Day
September 29 th	Orange Shirt Day
September 30 th	Truth & Reconciliation Day (Stat) – No School Today!
October 9 th	Non Instructional Day – No School for Students!
October 12 th	Thanksgiving Day (Stat)
October 21 st	Parent / Teacher Conferences
October 22 nd	Early Dismissal @ 11:31 am
October 23 rd	Non Instructional Day – No School for Students!

Police Information Check (PIC)

All volunteers with the Chilliwack School District are required to complete a Vulnerable Police Information Check (PIC) through the Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP). These PIC's are effective for 5 years and there is no cost associated with the online form.

Please visit the link below to complete your Police Information Check (PIC). The access code is also required when proceeding with the online submission. In order to assist in successful completion, please read the guide below and have all your documents ready before clicking on the link.

Link To CRC Applicant Process Video:

<https://youtu.be/RP58Vipb-hI?si=KrpXorgtJPFUFxIk>

Online Link:

<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>

Access Code: UKAGZSBMJ2

Have You Moved Over the Summer?

If you have recently moved but your child(ren) will continue to attend Stitó:s for the 2026-2027 school year, we ask that you **email both a primary and secondary proof of residence**, as outlined in the chart below to stitos@sd33.bc.ca.

C. PROOF OF PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE

A Principal Residence is the usual place where an individual lives, makes their home, conducts their daily affairs, receives mail and resides for more than 50% of the calendar year.

Please provide 1 of the following primary documents from the custodial parent or legal guardian: - Property Purchase Agreement, if recent purchase, with subjects removed (financial portions of the documents can be redacted) - Completed Residential Tenancy Agreement from a Property Management Company - Notarized Confirmation of Residence, completed by Homeowner/Landlord - Notarized Affidavit of Identity - A current residential utility bill addressed to one of the parent/guardians (Municipal utility statement, BC Hydro Bill, Fortis BC Bill, Cable TV or Internet Provider – NOT a cell bill) - Property Tax Notice / Assessment	AND 1 additional secondary document – examples include: - Driver's License or BCID (with photo) - Canadian Bank Account, Loan or Credit Card Statement - Insurance Statement or Policy, Vehicle Registration - Recent Paystub or Letter from Employer - Income Tax Statement or Correspondence from a Government Agency Please note: We reserve the right to request additional documents if required
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MISREPRESENTATION:

Applicants should note that a false statement about a student's Principal Residence will result in:

- The District or School Principal repealing the student's placement
- The student transitions back to their catchment school
- Procedural consequences through BC School Sports may apply

Messages / Lunches / Packages for 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 lunch for your child during instructional time, please leave it at the office and we will page them down at the next instructional break. If you drop off lunch for your child, please make sure their first & last name is on it.



School Supplies for 2026 / 2027

The school has purchased classroom supplies in bulk for students in Kindergarten to Grade 5. This approach helps ensure consistency, quality, and convenience for families.

In September once classes have been set, we will collect payment through QuickPay to cover the cost of these supplies for your child.

Kindergarten: \$60 / Grades 1 – 5: \$65

For students in Grades 3 - 8, there will be an additional \$8 fee for the school planner.

For Grades 6 – 8, school supply lists will be posted on the school website and included at the end of this newsletter. Please note that teachers may provide additional, class-specific requests during the first few weeks of September once class placements have been finalized.

Medical Alerts

If you require the school to administer any kind of medication to your child, an authorization form must be completed first. Please see Mrs. Mercer in the office to get the forms, which must be signed by the family doctor and parent.

As we have staff & students with severe allergies to nuts, our school in **Nut Aware**.

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 PAC meetings. 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 on September 16th at 6:30 pm.

Bell Schedule 2026-2027

Elementary		Middle	
Time	Period	Time	Period
8:26 Warning Bell			
8:31 am - 10:31 am	Instructional (120 Minutes)	8:31 am - 9:47 am	Period 1 (76 Minutes)
10:31 am - 10:46 am	Recess (15 Minutes)	9:47 am - 11:03 am	Period 2 (76 Minutes)
10:46 am - 11:51 am	Instructional (65 Minutes)	11:03 am - 11:18 am	Break (15 Minutes)
11:51 am - 12:06 pm	Eating (15 minutes)	11:18 am - 12:35 pm	Period 3 (77 Minutes)
12:06 pm - 12:31 pm	Playing (25 Minutes)	12:35 pm - 1:00 pm	Playing (25 Minutes)
12:31 pm - 2:31 pm	Instructional (120 Minutes)	1:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Eating (15 Minutes)
		1:15 pm - 2:31 pm	Period 4 (76 Minutes)

Food Service – Stitó:s Servery

Lunch Orders will need to be placed in the classroom each morning by 9:00 am for the lunch to be provided that same day. If you child has any dietary needs, please contact Sandra at sandrabertand67@icloud.com.

LUNCH MENU

NAME _____ ROOM/DIVISION: _____

TEACHER'S NAME: _____

AVAILABLE EVERYDAY

CHICKEN BURGER	\$4.00
GRILLED CHEESE	\$3.00
TACO	\$4.00
SUB OR WRAP	\$6.00

PLEASE CIRCLE)

CHICKEN	HAM
MAYO	RANCH
CUCUMBER	LETTUCE
CHEESE	

PIZZA POP \$3.00
GARDEN SALAD \$5.00
FRUIT TRAY \$5.00
VEGGIE TRAY \$5.00
MUFFIN \$2.00
COOKIES \$1.00
PUDDING \$1.00
WATER/JUICE \$1.50

DAILY Special

MONDAY
2 HOT DOGS + JUICE \$5.00
*ONLY AVAILABLE ON MONDAYS

TUESDAY
CHICKEN TERYAKI BOWL \$5.00
*ONLY AVAILABLE ON TUESDAYS

WEDNESDAY
MAC & CHEESE \$5.00
*ONLY AVAILABLE ON WEDNESDAYS

THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS
NO SPECIALS

School Parking

To ensure a safe and efficient experience for everyone during drop-off and pick-up times, please take note of the following parking procedures:

Parent Parking Lot & Drop-Off Lane

The first parking lot is designed for parent parking. If you're dropping off your child quickly, please use the "stop and go" lane. This lane is intended for brief stops only – please keep it moving to avoid congestion. If you need to have a longer conversation or enter the school, kindly park in the marked stalls.

Bus Loop Restrictions

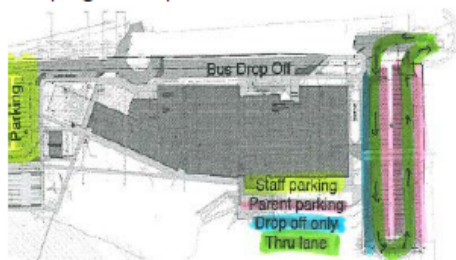
No parking is allowed in the bus loop during school hours. This area must remain clear for school buses and emergency access.

Off-Ground Parking Enforcement

Parking outside of school grounds is **prohibited** and strictly monitored by UFV Impark and the City of Chilliwack Bylaws. Unauthorized parking will result in a ticket.

Free public parking is available within walking distance at the Vedder River Dog Park. Additionally, the UFV red zone parking on Petawawa Rd is permitted during special events (Concerts, Meet the Teacher Night, etc.) as well as during the before and after school drop-off / pick-up rush hour.

Thank you for helping us keep our school safe and accessible for all!





Days in Session	183
Number of Instructional Days	173
Number of Non-Instructional Days	10
Schools Open	September 8
Truth and Reconciliation Day – Statutory Holiday	September 30
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #1 (School Based Pro-D Day)	October 9
Thanksgiving Day - Statutory Holiday	October 12
Early Dismissal Day #1	October 22
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #2 (Pro-D Day)	October 23 (Provincial)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #3 (A&E Day #1)	November 6
Remembrance Day - Statutory Holiday	November 11
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #4 (Pro-D Day)	November 27
Last Day of School before Christmas Holidays	December 18
Christmas Holidays	December 21 to January 1
Schools Reopens after Christmas Holidays	January 4
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #5 (A&E Day #2)	January 22
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #6 (Pro-D Day)	February 12
Family Day - Statutory Holiday	February 15
Early Dismissal Day #2	February 26
Last Day of School before Spring Vacation	March 12
Spring Vacation Period	March 15 to March 26
Good Friday - Statutory Holiday	March 26
Easter Monday - Holiday	March 29
Schools Reopens after Spring Vacation	March 30
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #7 (Pro-D Day)	April 30 (CTA)
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #8 (A&E Day #3)	May 14
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY #9 (Pro-D Day)	May 21
Victoria Day - Statutory Holiday	May 24
Last Day for Students / Early Dismissal #3	June 24
Administrative Day	June 25



General Student Supply List for 2026-2027

Grade 6

It is important that all students are well organized for their learning. Please ensure that school supplies are ready by the second day of school. The items listed below are considered basic equipment for Grade 6 students. Additional teacher-specific supplies may be required, and student will be informed of these during the first few weeks of September. **Please do not purchase any binders until advised by teacher.** All supplies should be clearly labeled with the student's first and last name.

- ☐ 1 Backpack
- ☐ 1 Package of Hilroy Notebooks (4-Pack, 40 Pages)
- ☐ 1 Pencil Case
- ☐ 72 Pencils (Staedtler Preferred – may need additional pencils throughout the year.)
- ☐ 1 Pencil Sharpener
- ☐ 6 White Erasers
- ☐ 2 Highlighters (different colours)
- ☐ 1 Package of 24 Coloured Pencils
- ☐ 1 Package of Coloured Felt Markers
- ☐ 3 Sharpie, Ultra Fine Point (Black)
- ☐ 3 Sharpie, Fine Point (Black)
- ☐ 12 Expo Fine Tip Whiteboard Markers (Must be EXPO brand only!)
- ☐ 1 Pair of Scissors
- ☐ 3 Glue Sticks
- ☐ 1 Ruler (Metric)
- ☐ 1 Package of Post It Notes (Multi-Coloured)
- ☐ 2 Packages of Lined Loose-Leaf Paper
- ☐ 8 Duotangs (Multi-Coloured – not plastic, not labelled and with the brass fasteners inside)
- ☐ 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- ☐ *** Please do not purchase any binders until advised by teacher.

Physical & Health Education

- ☐ Running Shoes (Non-Marking Soles) – Crocs, Slides, Boots, etc. are not acceptable footwear for PHE
- ☐ Change of Clothes for Use During PHE (Must be different than the clothing worn to school.)
- ☐ Extra Socks (are good during rainy season)
- ☐ Deodorant (stick only, no sprays)
- ☐ Water Bottle



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General Student Supply List for 2026-2027

Grade 7

It is important that all students are well organized for their learning. Please ensure that school supplies are ready by the second day of school. The items listed below are considered basic equipment for Grade 7 students. Additional teacher-specific supplies may be required, and student will be informed of these during the first few weeks of September. All supplies should be clearly labeled with the student's first and last name.

- ☐ 1 Backpack
- ☐ 1 3" Binder
- ☐ 2 Spiral Notebooks – 80 pages
- ☐ 1 Package of Dividers (8 per package)
- ☐ 2 Packages of Loose-Leaf Paper (250 sheet minimum)
- ☐ 5 Packages (12 per Package) of HB Pencils
- ☐ 3-5 Erasers
- ☐ 1 Box of Blue or Black Pens
- ☐ 1 Package of 24 Coloured Pencils
- ☐ 1 Package of Highlighters (at least 4 colours)
- ☐ 2 Sharpie, Fine Tipped (Black)
- ☐ 1 Package of Expo Whiteboard Markers (4 minimum) – Must be EXPO brand only!
- ☐ 1 Glue Stick
- ☐ 1 Pencil Sharpener
- ☐ 1 Pair of Scissors
- ☐ 1 Pencil Case
- ☐ 1 Standard Calculator (with Square Root Function)
- ☐ 1 Ruler (Metric)
- ☐ 1 Box of Kleenex (please provide to teacher so they can be stored and used throughout the year)

Physical & Health Education

- ☐ Running Shoes (Non-Marking Soles) – Crocs, Slides, Boots, etc. are not acceptable footwear for PHE
- ☐ Change of Clothes for Use During PHE (Must be different than the clothing worn to school.)
- ☐ Extra Socks (are good during rainy season)
- ☐ Deodorant (stick only, no sprays)
- ☐ Water Bottle



General Student Supply List for 2026-2027

Grade 8

It is important that all students are well organized for their learning. Please ensure that school supplies are ready by the second day of school. The items listed below are considered basic equipment for Grade 8 students. Additional teacher-specific supplies may be required, and student will be informed of these during the first few weeks of September. All supplies should be clearly labeled with the student's first and last name.

- ☐ 1 Backpack
- ☐ 1 2" Binder
- ☐ 1 Package of Dividers
- ☐ 3 Packages of Loose-Leaf Paper (300 sheets minimum)
- ☐ 4 Packages (12 per Package) of HB Pencils
- ☐ 2 Erasers
- ☐ 12 Blue or Black Pens
- ☐ 3 Red Pens
- ☐ 1 Package of 24 Coloured Pencils
- ☐ 2 Glue Sticks
- ☐ 1 Pencil Sharpener
- ☐ 1 Pair of Scissors
- ☐ 1 Pencil Case
- ☐ 2 Highlighters
- ☐ 1 Standard Calculator with Square Root Function
- ☐ 1 Package of Graph Paper
- ☐ 1 Ruler (Metric)
- ☐ 2 Sharpie, Fine Tipped (Black)
- ☐ 1 Package of Expo Whiteboard Markers (Must be EXPO brand only!)
- ☐ 8 Spiral Notebooks or Keytabs – 80 pages

Physical & Health Education

- ☐ Running Shoes (Non-Marking Soles) – Crocs, Slides, Boots, etc. are not acceptable footwear for PHE
- ☐ Change of Clothes for Use During PHE (Must be different than the clothing worn to school.)
- ☐ Extra Socks (are good during rainy season)
- ☐ Deodorant (stick only, no sprays)
- ☐ Water Bottle