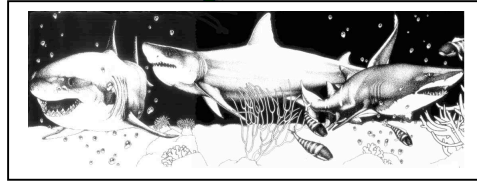


# Central Elementary Community School

**September 2004 Newsletter  
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Dear Parents and Community Supporters,

We trust you are returning to school this September eager to participate in a community of caring individuals determined to explore new opportunities for success and learning. Central Elementary Community School has a vision for success and has established, in cooperation with parents and community, valuable and on-going goals for the coming year.

Literacy skills remain a high priority and we continue to stress "social responsibility" as a key to our successes in life.

Central is a very special place in the heart of downtown Chilliwack. It is the "heart" the centre, of many progressive programs including many partnerships, a broad variety of special events and some new exciting innovations including the "Central Gateway" program being offered by School District #33 and Chilliwack Community Services.

Students at Central come from our neighbourhood, some from throughout the District, some are participants in our English as a Second Language program, and we invite some international student visitors. The sharing of lessons, cultures, experiences and gifts, makes Central a kaleidoscope of activity and learning.

Our administrative team, teachers and Parent Advisory Committee are committed to effective communication and will regularly offer newsletters, short notices, field trip information and an updated calendar (including agenda books) to keep you informed. You are invited to contact their teachers directly to discuss your child's program or progress.

Mr. Scott Wallace, our Vice-Principal, will also incorporate many of these elements including photographic records on our school's extensive web site. Please review it regularly to stay informed.

We are a community who believes in shared vision and cooperation. We invite your participation as we approach this adventure in 2004 / 2005!

We look forward to meeting you!

**Clyde Dougans**  
Principal

**Scott Wallace**  
Vice Principal



## Class Placement Changes

We know, from experience, that our classes change in September and remind everyone that a completed class list is not finalized until approximately the end of the second week of school.

*Please be patient with us!*

### What are the School Times for the first week?

8:40 a.m. - warning bell

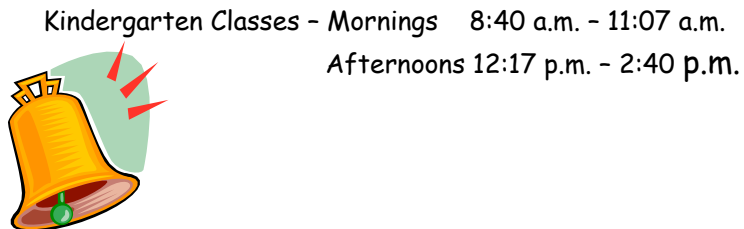
8:45 a.m. - final bell - class is in session  
recess break

11:45 a.m. - lunch break begins

12:25 p.m. - warning bell / call to classes

12:30 p.m. - classes resume

2:30 p.m. - dismissal



**SPECIAL REQUEST:** Looking for a solution to worries about lost items, homework, and missing homework books? Wondering how you can avoid nit problems and “tuck away” hats and coats in the cloakroom? Please consider the purchase of a small pack or sports equipment bag. They allow children to carry their “stuff” and may also help to “seal up” their coats and hats in our cloakrooms.

### For your information

**W**e have many talented individuals in our community eager to share their interests and abilities with students. If you are someone who like to be involved and is looking forward to an opportunity to work with citizens of Central Elementary Community School we invite you to contact the office and introduce yourself. Please ensure you have completed and criminal record check in accordance with district policy.

### School Supplies

- ❁ Chilliwack Central Elementary Community School does not sell September school supplies.
- ❁ We provide a list of required items. Each grade has a special list. It will identify needed items – items that are a MUST.
- ❁ Please follow it accurately and do not substitute. If you are in doubt as to whether they are the right items DO NOT label them as stores will not take them back.
- ❁ If a limited number is suggested e.g. Crayons, please do not substitute for a larger box as they really are not required.
- ❁ Further supplies may be necessary – after final class assignments are made, you may receive requests from the “new teacher.” Should you have further questions please call the school 604-792-8537.

### Safety & Stranger

We are committed to working with parents and the R.C.M.P. to ensure the safest possible environment for your children. We will continue to advise parents of important “stranger danger” issues (a red sheet notice). If you have a concern regarding your *child’s safety*, a *medical alert (allergy / medical problem)* or *possibly a custodial issue* we should be aware of, please contact the school. Please assist us in keeping pupil information sheets and your “emergency numbers” **up-to-date**.

