



Watson Elementary School Newsletter



Chilliwack
School District

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Our Code of Conduct

Watson Wildcats **R.O.A.R. to Success** – **R**espect, **O**utstanding Attitude, **A**chieve Goals, **R**each Out

Our Goals

1. In what ways can a school community systematically respond to the learning needs of students, staff and parents? (How do we meet the needs of all of our learners?)
2. Watson Elementary students, staff and community are responsible school citizens. (Teaching expectations and strategies to help develop responsible behaviour)

Principal's Message

January has arrived!!! It was great seeing everyone back and I hope everyone had a terrific break, and are ready for a busy and productive 2019!

Let's make it a goal for this new year to have all our students arrive to school on time!!

Kindergarten Registration for 2019-2020

It's time to register your child for Kindergarten next September! If your child was born on or before December 31, 2014, please register online: <https://sd33.vivosforms.com/Home>

Winter Clothing

Brrrrr! It's cold this week but we do expect our students to be outside at recess and lunch on most days. Please make sure your child comes dressed for the weather- hat, mittens, warm jacket and maybe even boots are necessary to stay warm. Your child might need some reminders. Thank you for helping your child remember.

Is School Open? - Poor Weather Guidelines

Inclement weather conditions such as freezing rain, significant snowfall, high winds or power outages can occur during the fall and winter months. In such conditions, decisions on the opening or closure of school district facilities are made by the Superintendent of Schools in consultation with management and supervisory staff who have checked first-hand on the driving conditions and general condition of buildings.



While service to students and parents is a priority and schools will be kept open as much as is reasonably possible, student and staff safety is the primary consideration.

In the event of extreme weather conditions, parents are urged to check the School District website www.sd33.bc.ca, tune into radio stations STAR FM 98.3, The Drive 89.5 FM, or CBC 91.7 FM to receive up-to-date information on school closures and information on the buses. Reports will start after 6:00 a.m. and will be repeated often. The information broadcast is directly from the School District. The reports are confirmed and there is no need to call your school, the School District Office or the radio station. Students will be marked absent for the day, but such an absence will not affect a perfect attendance record.

In the event that there is inclement weather but the school remains open, it is the parent's decision, based on their assessment of the relative safety of travel conditions, as to whether or not their children attend school.

Reminder to Parents and Guardians: PLEASE!! It's important to keep the office updated with your home address, phone number, cell number etc and the contact list detailing who may pick up your child(ren) from school. Thank you!