

FEB. 21ST 2005

ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL

WHAT'S INSIDE?

- IMPORTANT DATES
- SIMPSON GRADE 8 ORIENTATION – FEB 22ND
- ANNIE JR – MARCH 15TH & 16TH MATINEES AND DINNER THEATRE AND SILENT AUCTION
- REPORTS SENT HOME MONDAY OR TUESDAY
- SCHOOL WEBSITE – LOTS OF GREAT INFORMATION WWW.ATSS.CA

REMINDER
OUR NEWSLETTER IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY ON OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.ATSS.CA
FIND OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AT ATSS



Report Cards Go Home Wednesday

Report cards will be sent home on Wednesday. For semester courses the mark achieved is the final mark in the course. For all-year (linear) courses the mark represents term 1 and term 2 achievement but not the final mark as the course continues through term 3 and term 4.

Musical Theatre

March 15 & 16

Matinees - March 15 & 16

Dinner Theatre
March 15 and 16



On March 15 and 16 our Musical Theatre Class will present "Annie Jr." in our gym. During the evening performances - Dinner Theatre - we will also have a Silent Auction.

We are hoping to have many wonderful items and services available for parents, students and guests to bid on throughout the course of both evening performances.

How can you help? We are asking parents to donate items or services for the silent auction. All the money earned will go toward school projects.

What sort of items are we looking for? Any items, large and small that you yourself might be interested in bidding on or your student might be interested in purchasing. In addition, services (such as an hour of legal advice or an hour of gardening etc.) will be most welcome.

Please help with this great fund raiser - then come out on March 15 or 16 (or even both evenings) to enjoy a delicious dinner, a great show, and pick up some outstanding bargains.

All items should be brought to the school office. Thank you.



Silent Auction

C.A.P. Help with Computers

...Technology & the Internet...

Community Access Program is running a **FREE** drop-in program for the people of our community. The C.A.P. **Computer Lab** is open to the public and a ComputerGeek/Instructor will be available to assist you with computer basics such as **How to Surf the Web**, or **How to Use E-mail**.

Mondays & Wednesdays 2:30pm to 6:00pm
Thursdays 2:45pm to 9:45pm

You can **Learn Basic Word Processing** on Microsoft Word, **Learn to Type** or improve your skills with a fun Typing Program, or maybe you'd like to discuss some basics about **Computer Software**.

Do you have a project that needs some research? We can **HELP!**
*Attention Parents: Students of all ages can increase math and reading skills with **Tutoring** on the SuccessMaker Program.*

So bring the entire family!

Gather all your computer questions and come visit us in the Computer Lab at John Maclure Community School. We're here to assist you three days a week from **Feb 7th to May 30th**. For more information, please call the Community School office at 604-859-6919 or surf over to our web site:

www.sd34.bc.ca/schools/maclure/communityschool/. See complete schedule below:

Monday, February 14th	Monday, April 18th	Monday, May 9th
Wednesday, February 16th	Wednesday, April 20th	Wednesday, May 11th
Thursday, April 21st	Thursday, May 12th	Monday, February 21st
Monday, April 25th	Monday, May 16th	Wednesday, February 23rd
Wednesday, April 27th	Wednesday, May 18th	Thursday, February 24th
Thursday, April 28th	Monday, February 28th	
Monday, May 2nd	Wednesday, March 2nd	
Wednesday, May 4th	Wednesday, May 25th	
Thursday, March 3rd	Thursday, May 5th	
Thursday, May 26th	Monday, May 30th	



DRESS CODE

A REMINDER THAT ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR SCHOOL DRESS CODE AT ALL TIMES.

WE HAVE NUMEROUS ITEMS IN OUR CONSIGNMENT STORE IN CASE YOU ARE HAVING DIFFICULTIES FINDING DRESS CODE ITEMS.

Virtual Library

Our Musical Theatre teacher, Ray Dencer has developed a virtual online library. This library is now available on the web.

The virtual library is a tremendous resource for students - with huge potential for research and projects.

Check out the virtual library at.....

www.sd34.bc.ca/schools/virtuallibrary/

New Student Registration for ATSS for Sept 2005

If you have a new student planning to attend Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School next September, **please complete a registration form in the school office.**

Students are accepted into ATSS based on a priority system. First priority goes to students enrolled at Simpson Traditional Middle School (our feeder school) who wish to move to the secondary school. Second priority goes to siblings of students currently attending any of the Abbotsford traditional schools: King, Auguston, South Poplar or Simpson.

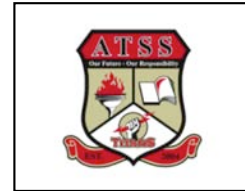
If any seats remain, students on our wait list will be contacted according to the date that their registration forms have been received by our secretary, Mrs. McMillian.

Should you know of friends and neighbours who are hoping to have their children join us at ATSS, please ask them to contact the school for information and a tour, or suggest that they check out our website at www.atss.ca for information on the school.

On February 22 Grade 8 students at Simpson Traditional Middle School will visit ATSS for an information meeting and some activities and presentations. Information will be sent home with the students. We will also be inviting Sumas Elementary and Barrowtown Elementary grade seven students and parents to join us for a similar information session.

We will hold an information meeting in the evening next week for members of the community to tour the school and find out about our programs and school.

Please contact the school if you have concerns or questions about registration for next year. We would not want you to be disappointed!



All Shook Up!

The ADTA proudly presents Randy Friskie, as Elvis and more.

Special guest, Cassie Friskie as Patsy Cline.

Date: March 5th, 2005

Time: 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM

Place: ADTA Hall
2570 Cyril Street
Abbotsford, BC

Cost: \$20.00 per ticket or 2 for \$35.00

Light snacks served at 11:00 PM

Door prizes!

KEY COMMUNICATORS

KEY COMMUNICATORS, who represent each school's Parent Advisory Council, meet with the Superintendent several times during the school year. The purpose of these meetings is to provide information of interest to parents. Key Communicators then disseminate the information to their respective PAC's. This year the meetings will be rotating through our middle schools.

The next meeting is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 16, 2005 at Eugene Reimer Middle School (3433 Firhill Drive). ALL parents are welcome to attend.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

You are invited to the MUSICAL "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" presented by the students of Abbotsford Senior Secondary School featuring choirs from the Abbotsford Middle and North Poplar Elementary.

This *lively* and *colourful* journey through ancient Egypt follows the rags-to-riches story of Joseph, his eleven brothers and the coat of many colours.

Place: Abbey Arts Centre

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Dates: Wednesday, March 2 Breast Cancer Benefit
(No tax receipts will be issued),

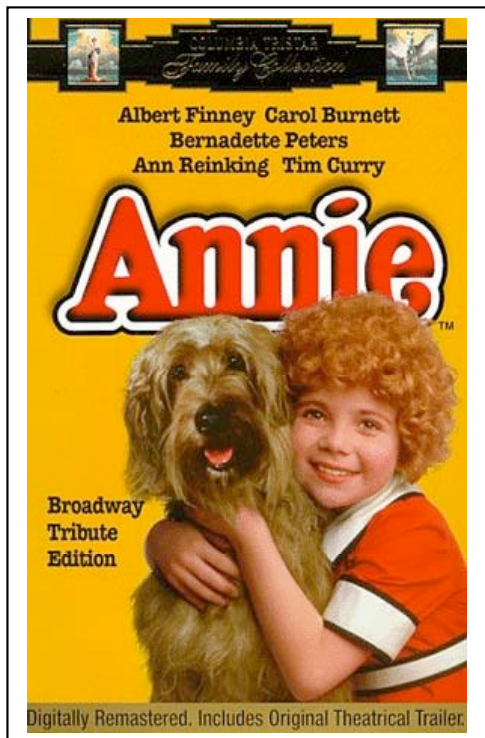
Thursday, March 3,
Friday, March 4 and
Saturday, March 5, 2005

Prices: Adults: \$15.00 Students/Children: \$10.00
Breast Cancer Benefit Gala Evening: \$20.00

Tickets available at the office at Abby Senior 604-853-3367.

On Wednesday, March 2, 2005, the evening benefiting Breast Cancer, refreshments will be served at intermission.

At all other performances, there will be a concession open.



Annie
Dinner Theatre
March 15 and 16

**URGENTLY NEEDED
 FOR OUR
 MUSICAL THEATRE
 PRESENTATION OF ANNIE**

We urgently need the following items for ANNIE JR. ...can you help?

- a feather boa (preferably a bright color (NOT RED) pink, orange etc)
- tux with tails (size TBA to fit Jas)...anyone know a good tux rental deal maybe we could trade for an ad in our program???)
- black top hat
- three-piece Men's suit (size TBA to fit Mia) with cummerbund.
- full length ladies winter coats (dark colors...tweed or hounds tooth would be good).
- WE NEED LOTS OF COATS OR CAPES.
- fur coat or cape for Grace

Time is running out - can you help?

Please contact Louise Sahlstrom at 604-850-9065 if you have items to donate or lend (we promise items will be returned in good condition).

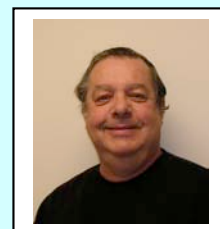
Help With Cleaning

We are also looking for a volunteer to home dry-clean Sally Ann coats. Can you help?

Apparently there is a home dry-cleaning product 'dyrel' (use in clothes dryer) available at retail outlets (possibly Costco - the school will pay for the product.

Volunteers are needed for sewing - basic and advanced skills will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Louise Sahlstrom at 604-850-9065 if you can help in either of these areas.

Thank you so much.



COURSE FEES

Course Fees for Semester Two are due soon. Invoices will be sent home shortly. Students began their Semester Two elective courses on Feb. 7th.

Reports will be sent home Wednesday, Feb. 23.

If you have not paid your Semester One fees, please do so as soon as possible in the school office.

Once again, Semester Two course fees will be due soon.