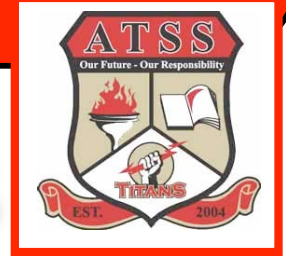


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# ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL



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# Fall News

## *ATSS & ATMS Remembrance Day Ceremony*



*November 9, 2006 at 10:10-11:10 for ATSS  
& 11:20-12:20 a.m. for ATMS  
In the ATMS Gymnasium*

*Please join us for  
our Remembrance Day Ceremony  
.Please wear RED in support of our  
Canadian Troops and their families.*

### Uniform Notes:

I need to say that our students have done an excellent job in working towards complying with our dress code in spite of our late uniform delivery issues. However, I just want to remind parents and students about some details. All students must be wearing collared shirts, (golf/polo), in the building including under their hoodie sweatshirts. They can wear T-shirts under their polo shirts but if they want to layer the arms or waist the colour must be black, red or beige. Other non-logoed jackets and sweatshirts should not be worn in the building. As the weather get cooler students need to ensure they have enough logoed sweatshirts to wear in the school. Mr. Hildebrand

# Grad Committee



ON THURSDAY, NOV. 9 AT 6PM WE WILL BE HOLDING A PARENT GRAD MEETING. THERE WILL BE AN UPDATE, SETTING OF GRAD FEES, AND PLANNING OF EACH COMMITTEE.  
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

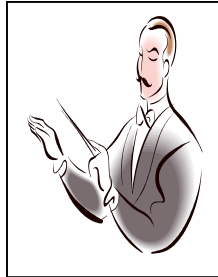


# Campus Tidbits

## CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY

We would like to remind families that ATSS is a closed campus. Students are to arrive on campus in the morning and stay for the entire day. Parents need to come to the office in order to sign students out. In particular cases where a parent is unable to come in person, special permission is required from the principal. For spare blocks during the day, students report to teacher supervised studies. This is not free time. They are to be on campus and engaged in homework. We hope this clarifies any questions some of you may have. We feel strongly that this policy contributes significantly to the overall safety of our student body. Thank-you for your continued support.

We would like to communicate a polite reminder to parents and students that classes begin promptly at 8:10. Please provide ample time to arrive so that students are in class before the bell.  
Mr. Parker



## Vehicles On Campus

**Now that things have settled, we ask all of our students who are driving cars to school to register them with the office. This is in accordance with District Policy and the practice of other District High Schools. This also assists us in the case of any theft or insurance issues as well as provides for an accurate record in case of emergency issues. We will have registration forms at the office for students to pick up.**

## School Timetable

8:10	Warning bell
8:10 - 8:40	START
8:45 - 9:40	Class one
9:45 - 10:40	Class two
10:45 - 11:43	Class three
11:43 - 12:25	Lunch
12:25 - 1:25	Class four
1:30-2:30	Class five



## Music News

Dear students and parents:  
Here is our MUSIC NEWS!

### Band

One of the new developments this year with our music program is having the opportunity to teach the grade 7-8 band class. ATSS is really benefiting from having the two schools next to each other. Over the next few years this connection with the middle school will help to build a very strong band program.

### Choir

Class is going well with Mrs. Wedel and everyone is making progress with their vowels, consonants and most importantly, their musicality.

### Digital Music

Students in this class are becoming "power users" of the recording and editing program, Audacity. A number of students have created interesting mixes and original compositions. We look forward to using GarageBand starting sometime in November.

If you have any questions about your son or daughter's involvement in our music program please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ennis at david\_ennis@sd34.bc.ca or Mrs. Wedel for choir at tracy\_wedel@sd34.bc.ca

Musically Yours,  
Dave Ennis

**PARENTS: The Abbotsford Virtual School will provide education to any adults who would like to complete grade 10 to grade 12 at NO COST!**

**There are two options available to adult students:**

**REGULAR DOGWOOD CERTIFICATE**

**This requires the completion of all courses that would apply to any high school student. These courses can be completed on line at no cost but, depending on the courses required, may take several years.**

**ADULT DOGWOOD CERTIFICATE**

**The Adult Dogwood (Grade 12 equivalency) requires the completion of only 20 credits and involves the completion of only three courses:**

**Math 11 (or Accounting)**

**English 12 (or Writing or Communication)**

**Three other Grade 12 courses OR Social Studies 11**

**plus two Grade 12 courses**

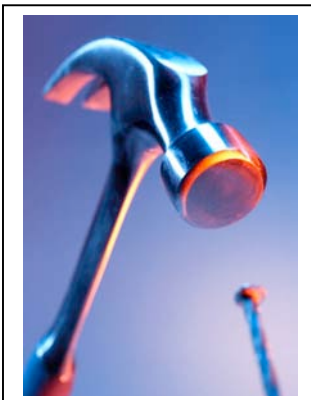
**A tutor is also available several afternoons a week from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. to assist parents.**

**If you are interested, please call Don Martyn or Brad Hutchinson at Abbotsford Virtual School - 604-859-9803.**



Newsletters

We will send out newsletters every second and fourth Friday of the month. We will also post them on our website for your convenience.



NEW CONSTRUCTION

Our new Home Ec. room is now open and ready for instruction. The Art room is waiting for the completion of the wireless network in that area & should be ready next week. We are excited about our new changes within the school.

Musical Theatre Update  
ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL PRESENTS:

## "Seussical: TheMusical"

Please contact Mrs. Myers for more information, or if you are interested in helping out with producing this year's show!

"Seussical" isn't just a musical. It's a lose-your bluesical, loosey-gooseical lollapaloozical show!

This magical musical includes a brilliantly conceived story using a host of Seuss characters and a musical score that is one magical and entertaining number after another. Kids and parents who grew up on these stories will find it appealing. Seussical belts out one delightful song after another, along with the whimsical set, colorful costumes, and unflappable energy. Kids are riveted by the nonstop action, antics, and fun – and there's even a little subtle humor for parents – so don't miss this one!

This year's production, "Seussical the Musical" will run for four matinees and two evening performances at the Abbey Arts Centre. The show will run for 75 minutes. Matinee tickets will be \$4 per person, and evening tickets will be \$8 per person. Tickets will go on sale at the end of November (advance sales will be available for cast and crew).

Tuesday January 9 (afternoon show 12.30 p.m.)  
Wednesday January 10 (morning show 10.30 a.m.)  
Thursday January 11 (afternoon show 12.30 p.m.)  
Thursday January 11 (evening show 7.30 p.m.)  
Friday January 12 (morning show 10.30 a.m.)  
Friday January 12 (evening show 7.30 p.m.)

### **Item #2: Take Our Kids to Work Day - Grade 9 Students**

**On Wednesday, November 1, 2006, hundreds of thousands of Grade nine students will spend the day at workplaces across Canada.**

**Take Our Kids to Work is a national program of The Learning Partnership and has existed since 1994. More than 1.5 million young Canadians and tens of thousands of workplaces have participated in the program.**

**Parents of Grade 9 students at ATSS will be receiving information and a permission form shortly from the Grade 9 Homeroom (START) teachers. If parents are unable to provide a suitable**

**workplace experience, students are encouraged to ask another adult such as an aunt, uncle or family friend if they may go to that person's place of work. For more information, go to: <http://www.takeourkidstowork.ca/>**

STUDENTS WILL BE SELLING CHOCOLATE BARS FOR \$2.00 EACH IN THE FOYER AND CAFETERIA AT LUNCH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. PROCEEDS GO TO THE ABBOTSFORD SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION & THE DRY GRAD.

## **HOMEWORK**

Here is something to help. Check out the homework website. This is a great place to go for help with all subject areas.

Homework website  
– [www.fvrl.bc.ca](http://www.fvrl.bc.ca)



Campus 2020, the provincial post-secondary review committee, is coming to the Fraser Valley. The committee will conduct a public forum at 6 pm on Thursday Nov 9 at the Ramada Conference Centre in Abbotsford. This will be our best and perhaps last chance to convince the Province to make UCFV the Fraser Valley's own university.

We are seeking some energetic and articulate students to speak to the committee. The more the better. They do not need to speak for long, just for a couple of minutes about why this is so important to them.

Any students who are willing to do this will need to register with the Campus 2020 committee.

They can do this in one of two ways:

- 1) online at [www.campus2020.bc.ca](http://www.campus2020.bc.ca) and click on "Participate in person"
- or
- 2) just phone the Secretariat at 250-356-5533

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## Dates to Remember

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY	NOV 9 <sup>TH</sup>
PRO D-DAY	NOV 10 <sup>TH</sup>
REMEMBRANCE DAY HOLIDAY	NOV 13 <sup>TH</sup>
REPORT CARDS SENT HOME	NOV 17 <sup>TH</sup>
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS	NOV 23 <sup>RD</sup>
PRO D-DAY	DEC 1 <sup>ST</sup>
MUSIC CONCERT	DEC 5 <sup>TH</sup>
SOCIAL STUDIES FAIR & MUSIC PERFORMANCE	DEC 14 <sup>TH</sup>
CHRISTMAS BANQUET	DEC 18 <sup>TH</sup>
LAST DAY BEFORE WINTER VACATION	DEC 22 <sup>ND</sup>

**ATSS STUDENTS WIN "CUTER COMPUTER CHALLENGE"**

Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School students won the University College of the Fraser Valley's "Cuter Computer Challenge." Congratulations go to Jennifer Jeon and Aleesha Switzer, the winning team from ATSS. Jennifer and Aleesha have been enrolled at ATSS since the school opened in September 2004. They are now in grade 11 at this "choice" school within Abbotsford Public School District #34. ATSS features a one-to-one notebook computer program as one of the unique elements of the school, along with a uniform dress code and traditional approach to instruction. Every ATSS student is equipped with a notebook computer which they are taught to use as an educational tool to increase their learning and prepare for post-secondary education where computer use is the norm, as it is in almost every career and job.

The Challenge, which took place Sat, Oct. 21 at UCFV's Abbotsford campus, was an opportunity for female high school students to show off their skills when it comes to using computers for normal, everyday use. Each team was matched with a female student from UCFV's Computer Information Systems (CIS) program who acted as a mentor throughout the day. Jennifer and Aleesha demonstrated a high level of problem-solving skills and accuracy using the computer. The contest is sponsored by the Jade Project — a Canadian organization developed specifically to support and attract women into the male-dominated techno world. It's no secret the IT world is predominantly male. And it's vital, says UCFV computing instructor Ora Steyn, to attract young women into the computer industry.

Jennifer and Aleesha, as winners of the challenge, both took home brand new Ipod Nanos.



**CITY BUSES A BLOCK AWAY!**

The city bus system connects ATSS to the Central Fraser Valley System that serves Abbotsford and Mission. There are regularly scheduled routes morning and afternoons.

Go to [www.busonlin.e.ca](http://www.busonlin.e.ca) and click on the Central Fraser Valley link for information, or visit the school office for a Bus Timetable.

**Leadership News**

**This year's leadership team is better than ever. We are determined to make your experience at the all new Abbotsford Traditional one you'll never forget. This year our leadership team consists of grade 11's and 12's who are very enthusiastic about their work. We're already planning big events like Dress-Up Day which is coming very shortly, the annual Christmas Banquet, 30 Hour Famine, Pep Rallies, and many more exciting events. Come out and show school spirit at our upcoming events, we hope to see you there!**

**From Your Leadership Team**

**October Halloween day**

As many have known that every year Abbotsford Traditional has had a "famous person dress-up day". In the last 2 years there have been many creative costumes, with some exceptions. This year the student leadership team has decided to add a few new things to this spirit day, the student leadership has decided that it will be a jeans day as well as the original "famous person dress-up day". If you wish to dress up in a costume that's awesome and a great show of school spirit, however if you wish to just come in jeans and an appropriate shirt then you will be required to pay \$2.00, which will be collected during START on Monday and Tuesday. If you want to pay the \$2.00 and wear a costume your more then welcome to. We think this will be a great little addition to our "famous person dress-up day. As well for the costumes well... we will be having a costume competition where everyone will get a prize. Don't forget to bring your money or wear your costume on Tuesday October 31.

**From Your Leadership Team**