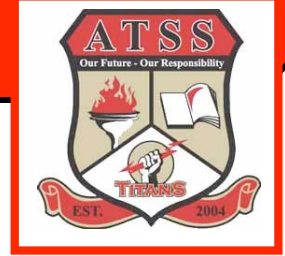


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ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL



Happy New Year

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

WELCOME TO THE
STUDENTS FROM
COLOMBIA

DISTRICT EXAM
SCHEDULE

HONOUR ROLL AND
EFFORT ROLL

GRAD INFO

DISTRICT EXAMS

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome everyone back and wish you all a Happy New Year. We are pleased to have our new gym ready to use for the New Year. We have been eagerly anticipating its use and are very proud of our new facility.

Just a couple of scheduling things for this month. As we approach the end of our first semester there are some dates you will need to be aware of. Class marks cut off will be on Fri. Jan. 26. This is the last possible day students can hand in term work unless special arrangements have been made with teacher. You should be aware that some teachers may set an earlier date to accommodate all the marking etc. for the end of semester. Our exam schedule will be the week of Jan. 29 to Feb. 2 and this will involve all of our students, Gr. 9-12 incl. Provincial exams. There will be no regular scheduled classes that week and students should only show up for their scheduled exams. We have included the exam schedule for you in this newsletter and will post it on our school website as well. Semester two will begin at the regular time on Mon., Feb. 5

Cell phones and Other Listening Devices:

I have observed over the course of this year the growing use of electronic listening devices being used in the classroom, which are not related to the classroom activity. With the recent holiday season and the influx of new personal technology devices, we just want to remind our parents and students that cell phones and other listening devices such as iPods, MP3 players and earphones for computers should not be used or even visible in classes unless it is a part of the computer use assignment. Modern brain research into this concept of "multitasking", (doing two or more things at once), is revealing that there really is no such thing as "multitasking". The brain actually "toggles" between activities and the more this happens, the greater the distraction and inefficiency that results. We want our students to focus on their tasks as best they can to maximize their learning potential. This policy is certainly consistent with the other high schools in the district. We do have a school student phone available for use in between classes and of course office phones are available for emergency use. With the growing influx of such devices we just wanted to review the policy for all concerned. If the use of such devices continues they may be confiscated for a period of time. We would appreciate your continued support in this matter.

*Thanks
Glen Hildebrand, Principal*



**WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE 27 STUDENTS FROM BOGOTA, COLOMBIA STAYING WITH HOST FAMILIES AND ATTENDING CLASSES AT ATSS/ATMS FROM JANUARY 16TH TO 23RD. THEY WILL BE HAVING A CULTURAL ASSEMBLY FEATURING TRADITIONAL COLOMBIAN DANCE AND MUSIC TO BE HELD:
ATSS - JANUARY 22ND (10:45 TO 11:43)
ATMS - JANUARY 23RD (9:40 TO 10:40)**

Campus Tidbits

The AD/HD Parent Support Group, which meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, is hosting a Professional/Parent Question and Answer period about the Various Perspectives of AD/HD. The 4 panelists will touch on issues about behavior management, social skills, and parenting.

Date: Thursday, January 18th, 2007

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Location: 102-32885 Ventura Ave., Abb. (Fraser Valley Child Development Centre)

Anyone caring for a child/teen with AD/HD, ADD is welcome to attend this free session.

Refreshments will be served. Unfortunately child care is not provided.

Please contact Leona Fountain at 604-852-2686 ext 246 for more information.



Grad News

Monday Jan 15th- Grad Photos (3pm - 9pm)

Jan 18th-20th- Grad Ski trip to Sun Peaks!

IS YOUR CHILD AFFECTED BY ANXIETY?

JANUARY 22, 2007 AT 7:00 PM

GARDEN PARK TOWER

101-2825 CLEARBROOK RD, ABBOTSFORD

PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, AND COUNSELORS WILL LEARN:

HOW TO RECOGNIZE ANXIETY AND HOME MANAGEMENT TOOLS TO
REDUCE ANXIETY

The Anxiety Disorder Association of BC and the F.O.R.C.E. are proud to present a family skill building seminar focused on anxiety disorders in children and youth. If you or someone you know would benefit from this seminar we invite you to attend. No registration is required for this free event, just how up!

For online information visit www.anxietybc.com

LATES:

JUST A REMINDER TO PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE OUR STUDENTS ARRIVE ON TIME TO SCHOOL IN THE MORNING. GENERALLY THIS HAS NOT BEEN A MAJOR PROBLEM BUT IT HAS INCREASED RECENTLY. ARRIVING ON TIME IS AN IMPORTANT LIFE SKILL WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE IN OUR STUDENTS. ALSO IT IS DISRUPTIVE FOR TEACHERS TO HAVE STUDENTS ARRIVE LATE TO CLASS IN THE MORNING. YOUR RENEWED EFFORTS IN THIS AREA WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

ABSENCES:

IF YOUR CHILD IS AWAY WITH YOUR PERMISSION, COULD YOU PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL THE OFFICE AS SOON AS YOU CAN AND LET US KNOW. AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, ALL ATTENDANCE IS CO-ORDINATED THROUGH THE OFFICE AND SENDING A NOTE TO THE TEACHER WILL NOT NECESSARILY MAKE ITS WAY TO THE OFFICE RESULTING IN YOUR CHILD BEING MARKED UNEXCUSED INCORRECTLY. AFTER HOURS, YOU MAY LEAVE THAT INFORMATION ON THE ANSWERING MACHINE. THANK-YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

PRO D-DAY	DEC 1 ST
MUSIC CONCERT	DEC 12 TH
SS FAIR & MUSIC PERFORMANCE	DEC 14 TH
CHRISTMAS BANQUET	DEC 18 TH
LAST DAY BEFORE WINTER VACATION	DEC 22 ND
WINTER VACATION	DEC 25 – JAN 5
SCHOOL REOPENS	JAN 8 TH
MUSICAL THEATRE PRODUCTION	JAN 9-12 TH
NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY	JAN 19 TH
SEMESTER ONE EXAMS	JAN 29 TH - FEB 2 ND
TERM II, SEMESTER ONE END	FEB 2 ND
SEMESTER TURNAROUND	FEB 2 ND
ONE HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS	FEB 7 & 8 TH
REPORT CARDS SENT HOME	FEB 9 TH
NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY	FEB 16 TH
PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION	MAR 8 TH
COMPENSATION DAYS - NO SCHOOL	MARCH 12 – 16 TH
SPRING VACATION	MARCH 19 – 23 RD
GOOD FRIDAY	APRIL 6 TH
EASTER MONDAY	APRIL 9 TH
TERM I, SEMESTER II END	APRIL 13 TH
REPORT CARDS SENT HOME	APRIL 27 TH
PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS	MAY 3 RD
VICTORIA DAY	MAY 21 ST
SS FAIR & MUSIC PERFORMANCE	MAY 24 TH
GRADUATION CEREMONY	MAY 31 ST
GRAD PROM AND LOCK IN	JUNE 1 ST
MUSIC CONCERT	JUNE 7 TH
YEAR END AWARDS CEREMONY	JUNE 14 TH
SEMESTER TWO EXAMS	JUNE 20 – 28 TH
REPORT CARDS PICK UP	JUNE 29 TH

Library News

The library is open from 8 - 3:30. Closed from 11 - 11:45 am for staff lunch. There is limited seating for quiet study / homework / reading. No food, or drinks, please.



SCHOOL DISTRICT # 34 PROVINCIAL AND DISTRICT EXAMS SCHEDULE

JAN 2006-2007

MON JAN 29	TUES JAN 30	WED JAN 31	THURS FEB 1	FRI FEB 2
<p>AM 8:30-10:30 (11:30) MUST STAY 10:00AM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGLISH 10 • FRENCH 12 • COMM. 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHYSICS 11 • COMM. 11 	<p>AM 8:30-10:30 (11:30) MUST STAY 10:00AM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGLISH 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGLISH 9 • EARTH SCIENCE 11 	<p>AM 8:30-10:30 (11:30) MUST STAY 10:00AM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCIENCE 10 • CIVIC STUDIES 11 • ENGLISH LIT 12 • TPC 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCIENCE 9 • CHEMISTRY 11 	<p>AM 8:30-10:30 (11:30) MUST STAY 10:00AM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BIOLOGY 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MATH 9 P • MATH 9 APP • MATH 9 ESS • BIOLOGY 11 	<p>AM 8:30-10:30 (11:30) MUST STAY 10:00AM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GEOGRAPHY 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <p>CONFLICTS</p>
<p>PM 12:00-2:00 (3:00) MUST STAY 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOCIALS 11 • SCIENCES HUMAINES 11 • HISTORY 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOCIALS 9 • SOCIALS 10 	<p>PM 12:00-2:00 (3:00) MUST STAY 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MATH 10 APP • MATH 10 ESS • MATH 10 P • MATH 12 APP • GEOLOGY 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGLISH 11 • CALCULUS 12 	<p>PM 12:00-2:00 (3:00) MUST STAY 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MATH 12 P <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FRANCAIS LANGUE IMMERSION 9,10,11 • JAPANESE 9,10,11 • GERMAN 9,10,11 • PUNJABI 9,10,11 • FRENCH 9,10,11 • SPANISH 9,10,11 	<p>PM 12:00-2:00 (3:00) MUST STAY 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHYSICS 12 • FIRST NATIONS STUDIES 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MATH 11 P • MATH 11 APP • MATH 11 ESS 	<p>PM 12:00-2:00 (3:00) MUST STAY 1:30 PM</p> <p><u>PROVINCIAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemistry 12 <p><u>DISTRICT:</u></p> <p>CONFLICTS</p>