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Principal's Message

We are well in to late fall mode with the Christmas Holidays not far away. We have had a busy month thus far. We have just experienced a memorable Remembrance Day Ceremony working with our Dept. of National Defense partners, Airfield Engineering Flight Squadron # 192. I would like to thank all of our staff and students as well as Capt. Pitcher of AEF #192 and our special guests, W.W.II Wing Commander Hank Burrows and 2nd Lt. Sandalak for their participation in our ceremonies. The ceremony was attended by a number of other special guests including School Board and District personnel, as well as all of our Traditional Middle and Secondary School students. Our students were examples of exemplary behaviour and we had a number of very favorable comments from our guests.

We as a staff have spent a day on professional development expanding our expertise, using our laptops in conjunction with our one to one laptop program. It was an informative and worthwhile time. I want to remind parents of several upcoming important dates. The first is our workshop for our parents on safety and accountability with laptops beginning at 6:30 pm just prior to the PAC meeting on Tues. Nov. 20. This is an important topic for assisting parents in both understanding the world of laptops their kids are using and also will help them in knowing how to hold students accountable in proper use of their laptops. This is so important in being able to operate this technology in a safe and knowledgeable manner. I would also encourage you as parents to attend the district evening seminar offered on Tues. Nov. 27 at the Abby Arts Center on Internet Safety and Social Networking. This will be led by Experts studying this field. We also have our parent teacher interviews on next Thurs. evening at 5 pm to 7:30 pm. Please stop by and meet with your son or daughter's teachers.



All in the idea of good competitive fun and as this is the Western Final for the CFL, (Canadian Football League), and that some of us are avid CFL Football fans, even Saskatchewan Roughrider fans, I have made a deal with the ATSS student body. If the BC Lions win the Western Final Playoff game this Sunday and proceed to the Grey Cup, our students can do a twoonie buyout on Wed. homeroom, (proceeds going to Student Leadership), and wear black and orange next Friday Nov. 23. If the Saskatchewan Roughriders win, students can do a buyout as well but must wear green and white for the Friday. Jeans will be acceptable as long as students are wearing either orange and black or green and white.





Faculty:

Dept Heads:	Local
Mr. Fedyna Math/Science	#3256
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Mr. Barden	#1103
Mr. Currie	#3252
Mrs. Faber	#3256
Ms. Flagg	#3140
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Mr. Lane	#3248
Mr. Macphail	#5173
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Mrs. Collins
Mrs. Hiebert
Mrs. Silzer
Mrs. Botkin

Library #3152

Ms. Malmas

Cafeteria #5169

Mrs. Isaak

International Rep #1110

Mrs. Kim

Remember: We are on the web!

Remember to call the office if your student is going to be away or late. Thankyou.

**Congratulations to our Hot Dog Champs !
Today's Hot Dog Eating contest was full of competition and plenty of cheering from the crowds.**

Our winners are:

Caleb Davisson – 14 hotdogs

Mr. Bain – 12 hotdogs

Mr. Macphail – 11 hotdogs



Parent In-service Laptop Safety and Accountability

At the next PAC meeting evening Tues. Nov. 20 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Library there will be a 45 minute workshop for parents about laptops dealing with safety, security and student accountability. It is our intent to assist parents as much as possible in helping to understand some of the concerns around the use of laptops at ATSS. This workshop will deal with areas parents need to be aware of in terms of internet use etc. and how to do checks on your child's laptop to ensure their use is as safe and appropriate as possible. You don't want to miss this one. Mark Nov. 20 on your calendar and plan to be here for this important workshop.

Smart Youth Power Assembly

On November 23 students in Grades 10, 11 and 12 will have the opportunity to see Norbert Georget's Smart Youth Power Assembly. This is a powerful 60-75 minute presentation on teenage drinking and driving, substance abuse, and peer pressure. Norbert's Smart Youth Power Assembly has been delivered to over one million students in 2000 public schools throughout Canada and the United States. Norbert Georget is an International renowned speaker, student motivator and paramedic with over eighteen years experienced. The assembly will be from 1 to 2:15 pm and parents are welcome to attend.

Darlene Rayburn
Child & Youth Worker
ATMS / ATSS
(604) 850-3511 Local 3255

Uniform Piece Sale

JTB services is selling some overstock for us at a reduced price. If you are in need of any of these pieces please call to place your order.

Ladies Red blouses	Adult small	3
Ladies Beige blouses	Adult med	2
Ladies Red blouses	Adult med	1
Ladies Beige blouse	Adult large	3
Ladies Red blouses	Adult XL	1
Ladies Beige blouse	Adult XL	3
Ladies Black blouse	Adult XL	2

These Blouses will be marked down to \$16.00 including tax while they last.

2 pairs of girls black Dickies pants not ladies, Girls size 16. \$10.00

Please call JTB services @ 302-3670 before the end of the month and put the order in. They should be able to get these to the school before Dec 1st. Thankyou.



Grad Parent Meeting

**Tues. Nov. 27 from 7-8pm
in room 256
Please come out for
information and planning
for Grad 2008!**

Don't be late... for this important date!

ATSS Musical Theater is proud to present Disney's "Alice in Wonderland Jr." in January 2008.

School Matinees:

Tuesday January 15

Wednesday January 16

Thursday January 17 (1/2 sold out!!)

Friday January 18 (sold out!!)

Public Performances:

Friday January 18 (evening)

Saturday January 19 (evening)

All cast members must bring in by Nov 30

- a pair of **full-length** black spandex/stretch pants (with gathered or fitted legs – no capris or flares)
- a black **long sleeve** t-shirt

We are also looking for the loan of the following items for chorus members at various times in the production (all will be labeled & stored until show time, and returned after the production):

- an article of clothing (such as a hat, vest, etc.) that has an 1800's feel or theme
- a crazy hat
- animal feet slippers(those that look like feet, not the ones with heads and such)

On Saturday November 17 we will be gathering at ATSS in the cafeteria from 11 am to 4 pm for the first of two prop-making sessions. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by email or phone to Mrs. Myers by Friday November 16 so that we know how much lunch to order.

If you are attending:

- please ensure you dress appropriately (wear old clothes & shoes that can get dirty)
- please bring painting supplies (brushes, trays, rollers – labeled with your name)
- please bring a glue gun (if you have one) with glue sticks and an extension cord

We are looking to collect the following items:

- 6 old-fashioned wooden clothes pegs (these will be painted, but could be returned)
- 3 thin pieces of board (12" x 10") (these will be painted, but could be returned)
- 3 small Frisbees (6"-10" diameter) (these will be painted, but could be returned)
- Old foam cushions (these will be cut up for use)
- Hard Styrofoam, such as old coolers (these will be cut up for use)
- Packing foam/foam chips (these will be cut up for use)
- 6 large whitewash brushes or paintbrushes (these will be decorated as props, and will not be usable after the production)
- 10-20 feet of small plastic picket fencing (6"-8" high) (this could be returned)
- 40-50 pieces of assorted artificial fruit, veggies, other food (plastic or similar) (these will be glued to prop pieces and may not be useable after the production)
- Artificial flowers and greenery, especially red & white roses (these will be glued to props, and may not be useable after the production)
- 15-20 old chairs and stools (these will be painted, but could be returned)
- 15 or more large doilies (these will be attached to props, but could be returned)
- Old china or melamine plates (these may need to be painted and attached to props, but could be returned)
- Old candlesticks or candelabra (these may need to be painted and attached to props, but could be returned)
- A planter box (lightweight, about 2 x 3) (this may be painted, but could be returned)
- Artificial turf or grass (this will be cut and attached to prop pieces)
- 2 oars (these will be returned)
- 2-3 dozen foil muffin papers (these will be glued to prop pieces)
- 2 large lightweight folding tables (wallpaper tables, about 6' x 3') (these will be returned)

Most items are donations – they could be returned, but not in the same condition as when received. For items that you wish returned, ***please label with your first and last name.*** **PLEASE DO NOT SEND VALUABLE, SENTIMENTAL, OR IRREPLACEABLE ITEMS!**

As well, we are looking for the donation of any leftover latex or water-based paints and spray paints you wish to part with, especially bright red, black, and pastels.

If you are able to help out in any capacity, whether or not your child is involved with Musical Theatre, we appreciate your donations! Contact Mrs. Myers (michelle_myers@sd34.bc.ca) or Mr. Dencer for more information.



HOST A VISITING STUDENT FROM BOGOTA, COLOMBIA.

Parents interested in hosting international students from Bogota, Colombia for a week in January 2008 are invited to forward their names to the office. ATMS contact is Mrs. Christine Dhal and ATSS contact is Mrs. Monique Suderman. More details to come!

Internet Safety and Social Networking
Abbey Arts Auditorium
7:00 – 9:00 PM
Tuesday November 27, 2007
General Admission

For more information please email
internetsafetypresentation@gmail.com

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STUDENT COMPUTER HELP SCHEDULE

Revised: Sep. 25, 2007 Mr. Ennis, Mr. Lane and Mr. Macphail are the computer support teachers.

Monday Period 2 - Block B1 Period 5 - Block D1

Tuesday Period 4 - Block A1 Period 5 – Block B2

Wednesday Period 5 – Block A2

Thursday Period 4 – Block B1

Friday Period 2 – Block B2 Period 5 – Block D2

How to Access your student's marks.

Use our atss.ca website for easy access to your student's marks and missing assignments. Simply log onto atss.ca and select "Online Marks", there you will see the teachers "Classwords" for your student's individual classes. There is a direct link to mygradebook where you will enter the classword and your student's 9-digit PEN number. This can be accessed at any time and is a great way for parents to stay aware of their student's academic progress. If you are unaware of your student's PEN number, simply call the school's office and our secretaries will be glad to give it to you.

For information on Leadership Activities headed by Mr. Abernethy please go to this link:

http://abbynet.sd34.bc.ca/~colin_abernethy/atssstudentservicessite/leadershipteam.htm

Please when parking, use the empty stalls as much as possible. Some people are not able to leave as cars are waiting in front of the stalls at days end. We appreciate your consideration of others in the parking lot.

ATSS School Year Calendar

November 2	Last day for uniform orders
November 7	Take our Kids to Work Day
November 8	End of Term 1
November 8	Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 9	Non Instructional Day
November 12	Remembrance Day off
November 20	PAC Meeting
November 20	TAC Meeting
November 22	Report Cards go home
November 22	Parent/Teacher Interviews
November 22	Gr. 12's to Abby Collegiate
November 23	Smart Youth Assembly
November 27	Grad Parent Meeting
November 28 & 29	Early Dismissal Days
November 29	Grad Fundraiser
November 30	Non Instructional Day
December 5	SS Fair
December 11	Christmas Banquet
December 13	Christmas Concert
December 21	Last Day before Christmas
December 24-Jan 4	Winter Vacation
January 7	School Reopens
January 11	Pep Rally
January 15	PAC Meeting
January 15-19	Musical "Alice in Wonderland"
January 22	TAC Meeting
January 25	End of Term II
January 28-Feb 1	Provincial Exams
January 30 & 31	In-School Exams
February 1	Semester Turnaround Day
February 15	Non Instructional Day
February 19	TAC Meeting
February 19	Grade 9 Immunizations
March 11	TAC Meeting
March 17-21	Spring Vacation
March 21	Good Friday
March 24	Easter Monday
March 25	Day in lieu of Good Friday
March 26-28	Days in Lieu – Not in session
March 31	School Reopens
April 16 & 17	Early Dismissal Days
April 18	Non Instructional Day
April 22	TAC Meeting
April 24	Report Cards go home
April 24	Parent/Teacher interviews
May 5	Café Night Concert
May 8	SS Fair
May 16	Prom 6-12 @ Hazelmere
May 19	Victoria Day
May 20	TAC Meeting
May 30	Convocation and Dry Grad
June 19 & 20	In School Exams
June 18-26	Provincial Exams
June 27	Year End Closing





Grads will be attending a Post-Sec Event at Abby Collegiate next Thursday morning. We leave ATSS at 8:25 and return by 10:00 38 Various Universities from across Canada will be attending. Any questions please talk to our counselor Mr. Abernethy.

PAC Info

GET YOUR PICTURES IN THE YEARBOOK

The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Here is how you can submit photo's online.
Log onto: images.jostens.com

Enter Login ID: 300813745

Password: yearbook08

- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload, click on "Image Share".
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today!

The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submission can be used in the book.

DPAC Meetings are held at the School District Admin Office – Boardroom

beginning at 7:07 pm.

September 27th

October 25th

November 22nd

January 24th

February 28th

April 24th

May 29th

Key Communicator Meetings are generally held at the School District Admin Office – Boardroom beginning at 9:30 am.

November 6th

January 9th

February 6th

April 2nd

May 7th



Grab, Go and Grow: Healthy School Snacks

That time has rolled around again ... snacks need making and lunches need packing. With all the chores of the day, who has time to organize nutritious snacks? Today's parents are time-stressed and in many cases forced to be multi-taskers, but savvy parents also know that putting together healthy snacks is not rocket science. In fact, healthy snacks can be quick and easy!

Tips for Being a Super Healthy Snack Shopper

- buy an assortment of fruits and vegetables, cut them up and stow them away
- choose unsweetened applesauce or fruit cups packed in unsweetened fruit juice
- look for whole grain crackers or bagels to combine with nut butter or cheese
- select low fat cheese sticks or yogurt to accompany fruit
- choose pre-washed baby carrots or snap peas, add a yogurt dip
- accompany whole wheat pita with ready to serve hummus
- choose granola bars with dried fruits and nuts
- buy cereals low in sugar to snack on
- pick up some dried fruit, mini pretzels, nuts, seeds to add to unsweetened cereal to make your own trail mix
- stock up on yogurt & granola to add to fruit for a yummy parfait

Public Health Nutrition Program



Abby Arts Centre
2329 Crescent Way, Abbotsford
Phone: (604) 853-0966
<http://www.sd34.bc.ca/schools/abbeyarts/>

NOW SHOWING!

School District #34
2790 Tims Street Abbotsford,
Phone (604) 859-4891
<http://www.sd34.bc.ca>



ABBOTSFORD DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Presents

Dr. Richard Smith
from Simon Fraser University

Challenges of Social Networks for Parents and Educators

Safe and Ethical Behavior in Social Networks

NOVEMBER 27TH

7-9 P.M.
at Abby Arts Centre

- **FREE - All parents and students welcome**
- **Panel and question period to follow the keynote address**
- **Register at www.internetsafety.sd34.bc.ca**
- **Door Prizes will be given**



Richard Smith is a Professor in, and the Associate Director of, the School of Communication at Simon Fraser University. He is also Director of the Centre for Policy Research on Science and Technology (CPROST) at SFU. Smith's research focus is social inclusion (and exclusion) brought on by the introduction of new media. He has an ongoing interest in technology for education, privacy and surveillance in public spaces, online communities, and the wireless information society i.e. Social Networks.

With academic training in communication and law, Dr. Smith has degrees from Carleton University (BA) and Simon Fraser University (MA and PhD). He is a member of the Canadian Communication Association, and the International Association for Management of Technology. He is also the publisher of the Canadian Journal of Communication.