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Principal's Message

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Mr. Hildebrand, our
Principal



Mr. Parker, our
Vice-Principal



Well the year is over and it has truly been a great year. We have enjoyed the achievements of many of our students and staff and we are really beginning to feel like this is home for us. I wish to take the time at this point to express my sincere appreciation to those staff who will be leaving us this year as they were here on temporary status. Mr. Hill teaching Socials and Geography, Ms. Flagg teaching French and Technology and Ms. McColl teaching Choir, Science and Socials. They have fit in well and have contributed greatly to our success and positive school culture. They stepped in on a temporary basis filling in for several of our absent teachers and have done an outstanding job. Especially I wish to pass on my best wishes to Mr. Ennis who will be moving on to the district Technology Helping Teacher position. Mr. Ennis has for the last four years been the master of our One to One laptop program, a key pillar for our Band program and a strong supporter of the Traditional program. His contribution to all three of these aspects has been enormous and we will very surely miss him. On the other hand we want to wish him well with his new challenge knowing that he won't be far away if we need him. We will be communicating with you over the summer via mail and e-mail regarding the startup for next year. Next year we will be a little fuller with over 100 more students. This will be noticeable and is encouraging, as we should soon "max out" at our total limit of 600 students. We currently still have some on our Gr. 9 waiting list not yet able to get in as we are full at that level. I want to wish everyone a very enjoyable and safe summer holidays.

Many thanks to all who have helped in so many different areas this year. Our success could not have happened without your efforts and commitment.

Glen Hildebrand, Principal, ATSS

LAST MINUTE REMINDERS

Please note: Should you have any outstanding fees we will be collecting on Report Card Day. To make the process smoother please pay prior to this date.

Report Card Pickup: ATSS Foyer June 27th 9-11, 1-3

There are currently many items in our lost and found area in the front foyer. Come on by and browse through to recognize any long lost items.

**PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT RETURN ALL MISSING TEXTBOOKS TO
AVOID ADDITIONAL FEES**



atss.podcastpeople.com

Secretaries:

Mrs. Suderman local: 1000
Mrs. Swadden local: 1001
Mrs. Mangat local: 1002

Counselor:

Mr. Abernethy local: 1107

One-to-One program:

David Ennis local: 1120



Faculty:	
Dept Heads:	Local
Mr. Fedyna Math/Science	#3256
Mrs. Neufeldt Humanities	#3137
Mr. Ennis Perf Arts/Tech	#1120
Mr. Laity PE	#5107
Mr. Abernethy/Student/Ldrshp	#1107
Teaching Staff	
Mr. Barden	#1103
Mr. Currie	#3252
Mrs. Faber	#3256
Ms. Flagg	#3140
Mr. Friesen	#3138
Ms. Hunt	#5107
Mrs. Kehoe	#3134
Mr. Lane	#3248
Ms. McColl	#1116
Mr. Macphail	#5173
Mrs. Mihalech	#3240
Mr. Hill	#3235
Ms. Vandalfsen	#3136
Mrs. VanKleeck	#3237
Learning Assistance	#3135
Mrs. Collins	
Mrs. Hiebert	
Mrs. Silzer	
Mrs. Botkin	
Library	#3152
Ms. Malmas	
Cafeteria	#5169
Mrs. Isaak	
International Rep	#1110
Mr. Kim	
Youth Worker	#3255
Darlene Rayburn	

Remember: We are on the web!



Please remember to phone the office if your student is going to be late or absent. Thank you!

Unbelievably, we have rolled into the end of another year. Time seems to spill by at an impressive rate and it does seem "like only yesterday" that I first had the honour to become part of the traditional school family.

From the birth of our program in 1995 with the opening of King Traditional to it's growth into a high school with the opening of Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School in 2004 the key elements remain the same - involved parents, intensely dedicated staff and hard working students have come together to create a unique learning environment where a commitment to quality education and character development prevail. As I look back over the previous two years I am stunned at how much we have achieved and so very proud of how much we have grown.

When people ask me about the strengths of ATSS I mention foremost our "small school" feel where each child is known and staff work corroboratively to meet the challenges of offering superior programs. To be sure, our 121 Laptop Program is on the vanguard of implementing technology into the classroom, providing students with the skills required to be technologically literate in a society that increasing demands computer competence.

Mr. Dencer and staff are still successfully accomplishing the impossible through our Musical Theatre Program, bringing together students from Grades 9 to 12 to create performances that stun audiences across the district. Our commitment to the Musical Arts is evident in our ever growing Choir and Concert Band Programs who, with the guidance of Ms. McColl and Mr. Ennis, entertain and sooth parents and students at every assembly and several evening events throughout the year.

Mr. Abernethy has worked with an eclectic group of students from across the grades to develop our Leadership Program. To be sure, their efforts have provided a new sense of fun for all at ATSS and allowed for students a greater sense of voice within the community. Our Pep Rallies, Teacher Appreciation Day, vaisakhi Fashion Show and Celebration, Hotdog Eating Contest, Christmas Banquet, Spring Swing, and Gr. 8 Welcome BBQ were all professionally organized and hits for staff and students alike.

We are also very happy with the growth of our Athletic Programs. Certainly, having a new gym and playing fields has helped. Mr. Laity and other coaches (both teachers and parents) have dedicated countless hours to provide athletic opportunities for our students. As our student body grows in number, our teams swell and our achievements mount. Recently, we hosted an Athletes BBQ where parent volunteers prepared a steak meal for our students and coaches were honoured with gifts. Steak! Now that's classy!

These achievements do not take into account the immense amount of work teachers put into their classes day after day. I have served in several schools throughout my career and rarely does one see the amount of extra care and commitment that is offered by our staff. Founding principal, Marg McDonough once reflected "good enough is just not good enough".

We see ATSS teacher commitment to this ideal through the offering of obligatory lunchtime study sessions, the maintenance of class website offering 24/7 access to instructional materials and the close tracking and support of struggling students. Whether its adapting materials to meet the individual learning needs of their students or just going the extra mile to communicate with parents or administration - our teachers really care about each and every student in their classroom and attempt to offer a higher standard of care.

I am Jason Parker and I continue to be the very proud Vice Principal of Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School. I feel honoured to have shared the last two years with your families, our students and staff. I am looking forward to even greater moments in the coming year as we work together to make our school the best it can be.

Kindest regards,
Jason Parker

Host Families Needed

Dates: July 21 - August 10, 2008

Students: Japanese girls, age 16

Study Center: Global Partner's offices across from Yale Highschool

Stipend: \$25.00 per night

Company: Global Partners Institute

Contact: Loree Raine 604-807-6263





Registering for Summer School (Located at Abbotsford Collegiate) with Mr. Abernethy is now over.

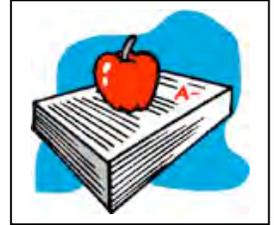
The next registration period will be at the School Board Office on June 24, 25, or 26 between the hours of 2 and 7.

For more information please contact the Summer School Administration:

Principal: Ms. Shelley Maximitch Johnston @ 604-853-3367

Vice Principal: Mr. Dean Fetterly @ 604-853-3367

Registering for Summer School at Abbotsford Virtual School is still open. Registering takes place online at www.avs34.com



NEW UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Please be advised that our uniform supplier is now **TEAM GEAR**. Uniforms can be purchased directly. They have change rooms and sample sizes available to try on, and are located near the school, at the following address:

TEAM GEAR

#102 - 31120 Peardonville Road

Abbotsford, BC V2T 6K7

Phone: 604-854-0110

Fax: 604-854-2338

Web: www.teamgearsport.com

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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.

Project Help Mexico 2009

Interested in the Spring Break Trip to Mexico?

Willing to spend a week of humanitarian services?

Project Help Mexico is a building program organized by Childcare Worldwide. Teams of volunteers fundraise and then build homes for families living near Tijuana, Mexico. Families are chosen from the Childcare Worldwide Sponsorship Program based on need.

If you are interested in participate in this trip, see Mrs. Yankov (room C141) and ask her for an application form.

Is your grad heading off to university this fall?

Here is a link called "Understanding a Student's First Semester" from the website of St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia. It is only two pages so you may want to print it off and save it for the fall.

<http://www.stfx.ca/parents/student-first-semester.pdf>

Week-long Summertime Fun with XploreSportZ Camps

10 sports in 5 days! Fill your summer with fun and adventure when you join an XploreSportZ day camp and discover your athlete within. Guided by certified coaches, these camps are the perfect opportunity to try out a variety of new sports like archery, luge, speed skating, fencing, water polo and much, much, more.

Who: Boys and Girls 7-12 years old

When: July 14 - 18, July 28 - August 1, August 18 - 22

Where: Abbotsford - MRC or Ag Rec Gallery

Cost: \$140/week and \$10 discount for a 2nd child.

To register, call Pacific Sport at 604-557-4021 or email iraservalley@pacificsport.com



Academic Completion Program		
Date	Time	Location
July 7 – August 1, 2008	8:00 a.m. – 1:05 p.m.	Abbotsford Collegiate
Academic Upgrading Program		
July 7 – August 1, 2008	Block 1: 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Abbotsford Collegiate 2329 Crescent Way
	Block 2: 10:35 a.m. – 1:05 p.m.	
Self-Paced Program		
July 7 – August 1, 2008	Mon. – Thurs. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Abbotsford Continuing Education (ACE)
	Friday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	2606 Alliance Street
English Language Training		
Date	Time	Location
July 7 – August 1, 2008	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Abbotsford Collegiate

For more information, please visit our website @ abbynet.sd34.bc.ca/~summerschool
 Or contact:
 Principal: Ms. Shelley Maximitch Johnston
 (604) 853-3367 EXT 3101
 Vice Principal: Mr. Dean Fetterly
 (604) 853-3367 EXT 3210

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All Academic Summer School Programs are open for registration :

May 19 – 30, 2008

All SD #34 students, including SD #34 International students, register with their home school counsellors.

June 24, 25, & 26, 2008*

2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

GENERAL REGISTRATION for non- and late SD #34 students (if space available)

SD #34 SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE
2790 Tims St.

July 2, 2008*

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

LATE REGISTRATION for non- and late SD #34 students (if space available)

ABBOTSFORD COLLEGIATE
2329 Crescent Way
604-853-0286

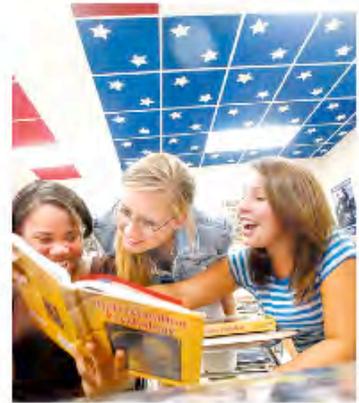
*To register, students must bring their most recent report card and counsellor recommendation form.

Registration will only occur during the designated dates and times listed above.



SD No.34 (Abbotsford) Secondary Academic Summer School 2008

July 7 – August 1





REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____
 D.O.B.: _____ Sex: M F
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Home Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 Emergency Contact: _____
 Emergency Phone: _____

UFV reserves the right to cancel programs should the number of registrants be insufficient.

Please check the box if you would like to be notified of any future UFV camp programs:

Camp Code	Dates	Cost

Total Cost: \$ _____

T-Shirt Size (Unisex):

Small Medium Large XL

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Cash Cheque Credit Card

Visa/MasterCard #: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Signature: _____

CAMP SCHEDULES

GIRLS BASKETBALL (Envision Athletic Centre)	
Date: August 5-9 (Tue-Sat)	Cost: \$125
Grades: 9-12	Time: 6pm-9pm
Camp Code: WBB	
BOYS BASKETBALL (Envision Athletic Centre)	
Date: August 11-15 (Mon-Fri)	Cost: \$100
Grades: 6-9	Time: 9am-12pm
Grades: 10-12	Time: 1pm-4pm
Camp Codes: MBB1 (Grades 6-9) MBB2 (Grades 10-12)	
ROWING (Fort Langley Rowing and Paddling Centre)	
Dates: July 21-25 (Mon-Fri) OR August 18-22 (Mon-Fri)	
Time: 9:30am-12:00pm	Grades: 9-12
Cost: \$125	
Camp Codes: ROW1 (July 21-25) ROW2 (August 18-22)	
GIRLS SOCCER (Bateman Park)	
Date: August 25-28 (Mon-Thurs)	Cost: \$100
Ages: 7-12	Time: 9:30am-12pm
Camp Code: WSO	
BOYS SOCCER (Bateman Park)	
Date: August 25-28 (Mon-Thurs)	Cost: \$100
Ages: 7-12	Time: 9:30am-12pm
Camp Code: MSO	
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (Envision Athletic Centre)	
Date: August 18-22 (Mon-Fri)	Cost: \$125
Grades: 7-9	Time: 10am-1pm
Grades: 10-12	Time: 2pm-5pm
Camp Codes: WVB1 (Grades 7-9) WVB2 (Grades 10-12)	
BOYS VOLLEYBALL (Student Activity Centre)	
Date: August 27-30 (Wed-Sat)	Cost: \$125
Grades: 8-10	Time: 9am-12pm
Grades: 11-12	Time: 1pm-4pm
Camp Codes: MVB1 (Grades 7-9) MVB2 (Grades 10-12)	

Please wear appropriate gym attire and bring snacks and water.



2008 Cascades Summer Sport Camps

Learn to play the Cascades way!



For more information please visit:
www.ucfv.ca/athletics
 or contact Andrew Meadwell
 at (604) 504-7441 ext. 4449

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June 12th thru July 6th 2008

An Event the Entire Family Can Enjoy

- Return to the Past as the CP 2816 Empress Steam Train rolls into Your Town
- Climb Aboard and enjoy a Walkthrough Tour of the Museum Cars
- Live Music with the "Spirit of 150" Band
- Historical Vignettes performed by the "BC150 Players"
- Learn more by visiting www.cpr.ca or www.bc150.ca

.....ALL ABOARD!!

When: Thursday, June 26; 5:30-9:30pm

Where: Historic Downtown Abbotsford
Just east of the railway tracks on
George Ferguson Way

**CANADIAN
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Call 604-850-7161 for details