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Vice-Principal: Mr. Michael Hendricks

Online Marks @ checkmymark.com

This year ATSS teachers are using checkmymark.com to provide up to date online access of student progress and grades.

Visit www.checkmymark.com, and you will need the following information to log in:

User Type: Select 'Student/Parent'
School: 'Abbotsford Traditional Secondary'
Last Name: Student's Last Name
Password:

The password is randomly generated and teachers will provide each student with their unique password. For login help or password resets, please contact Mr. Macphail (andrew_macphail@sd34.bc.ca) or the classroom teacher.

Office Staff:

Mrs. Hartley local: 1000
Mrs. Schellenberg local: 1001
Mrs. Mangat local: 1002

Counselor:

Mr. Colin Abernethy local: 1107
Mrs. Lindsay Faber local: 1108

One-to-One program:

Andrew MacPhail local: 1120

Principal's Message

Another summer has come and gone. I would like to welcome back all of our students and staff, new and returning. I trust everyone had an enjoyable summer break and are ready for a new school year. It is great to see the quiet halls of ATSS bustling again with smiling, energetic faces of our students. It is lonely and too quiet here without them.

We have a couple of new staff members this year. First we would like to wish Mrs. Suderman who has been with us in the office for the past six years, all the best as she has taken a part-time position over at Robert Bateman Sec. We will miss her here at ATSS. Mrs. Hartley is currently filling in again for that position as we wait to post and fill it. Mr. Kauffman has returned after being away for a year and is teaching Science and Math, Ms. Peters is teaching English while Mrs. Smoes is still away on maternity leave and Mrs. Grieve is teaching Art and Planning. As well we have a new part time Teaching Assistant Ms. Pilecki who will be helping in our learning assistance room. We welcome all of the new staff as well as all of the returning staff.

Our numbers have leveled off this year as we are missing some of our Gr. 9s coming from the Middle School. We look forward to an exciting and rewarding year at ATSS. Our sports teams are all up and running this year as our coaches are preparing for the upcoming seasons.

There is a good feel on the school this year and we are looking forward to an exciting year. Each of our students have been provided with an agenda book which has all of our expectations in terms of dress code, code of conduct and civility code in it. Please refer to it if you have any questions about any of these things. We understand there is some delay in a few of you receiving your school uniforms as it has been a mad rush in the last week or so of August. Please ensure your child is in dress code or something very close as some of you are waiting for your uniforms to arrive. Overall the student body looks great.

Just a reminder that all students parking on campus must have a parking pass. We do not have enough parking stalls for all students who will want them so it will be on a first come, first serve basis. There is additional parking along the street. Please follow any parking directions you find there and please don't block our neighbour's driveway.

This first newsletter will be given out as a hardcopy and from this one on, they will be e-mailed to your home e-mail address. If we don't have it, please contact the office and provide your e-mail address to them so that you will automatically receive our newsletter. We send them out twice a month on the second and last Fridays of each month.

We are having a special Professional Development Day this year on Fri. Sept. 21. We will be completing a process we started last year in describing what the 10 Tenets of Traditional mean for us here at the high school. I want to involve a number of you parents in this process along with us. You are an important part of this process. If you think you would be interested and able to attend all or half of the day on Fri. Sept. 21 please contact me at 604-850-7029 or e-mail me at glen_hildebrand@sd34.bc.ca

Should you have any questions don't hesitate to contact our office, 604-850-7029, Mr. Hendricks or myself. We look forward to this year with eagerness and anticipation. I wish all of us a very successful 2012/13 school year.

Sincerely,

Glen Hildebrand,
Principal
ATSS



ATSS Calendar

Faculty:

Dept Heads:	Local
Lindsay Faber	1108
Colin Abernethy	1107
Ken Laity	5107
Andrew Macphail	5173/1120/1114
Andrew Lawrence	3137
Rebecca Toews	3134
Tracy Wedel	3140
Pam VanKleeck	3237

Teaching Staff

Don Barden ringer :2244	1103
Sarah Peters	3136
Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Bruce Cuthbertson	3236
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Lyndon Friesen	3138
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Carlton Haak	3250
James Hill	3137
Kim Hunt	5107
Steve Kauffman	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Michelle Myers	3235
Janet Wade	1121
Olga Ulyasheva	3240

Learning Assistance

Phyllis Collins	3135
Heidi Ens	3135
Karen Hiebert	3135
Denise Silzer	3135

Library

Laurie Salter	3152
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Cafeteria

Julie McCaughey	5169
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International Rep

Christine	1110
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Youth Worker

Darlene Rayburn	3255
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Community Support

Jeven Randhawa	1110
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Emails can be sent to all staff under:

first_last@sd34.bc.ca

(Simply use that teacher's name)

Remember: We are on the web!

Please give the office a call or a note if your student will be late or absent.



Sept 4	School Opening
Sept 20	Meet the Teacher
Sept 21	Non Instructional Day #1
Sept 25	ATSS PAC Meeting
Oct 8	Thanksgiving Day
Oct 19	Non Instructional Day #2
Oct 23	ATSS PAC Meeting
Nov 8	Term I ends
Nov 9	Non Instructional Day #3
Nov 12	Remembrance Day
Nov 20	ATSS PAC Meeting
Nov 23	Report Cards issued
Nov 28	One Hour Early Dismissal
Nov 29	One Hour Early Dismissal
Nov 29	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Dec 18	ATSS PAC Meeting
Dec 21	Last Day before Christmas Break
Dec 24 – Jan 4	Christmas Break
Jan 7	School reopens *
Jan 14-19	Musical Theatre Production
Jan 15	ATSS PAC Meeting
Jan 25	Term II ends
Jan 28 – Feb 1	In school/provincial exams
Feb 1	Semester turnaround
Feb 4	Semester II begins
Feb 11	Family Day
Feb 13	Report Cards issued
Feb 15	Non Instructional Day #4
Feb 19	ATSS PAC Meeting
Mar 12	ATSS PAC Meeting
Mar 13	One Hour Early Dismissal
Mar 14	One Hour Early Dismissal
Mar 15	Last day before Spring Break
Mar 18-28	Spring Break
Mar 29	Good Friday
Apr 1	Easter Monday
Apr 2	School reopens *
Apr 12	Term III ends
Apr 16	ATSS PAC Meeting
Apr 24	Report cards issued
Apr 25	Parent/Teacher interviews
Apr 26	Non Instructional Day #5
May 10	Prom at Newlands
May 20	Victoria Day
June 4	ATSS PAC Meeting
June 8	Convocation and Dry Grad
June 14	Term IV ends
June 17-25	In school/provincial exams
June 27	Non Instructional Day #6
June 28	Report cards issued
June 28	Year-End Closing (non-instructional)





PAC NEWS

If you are a parent of a student at ATSS, you automatically belong to the PAC (Parent Advisory Committee)! We are an officially recognized body that disburses grants, bursaries and supports the school in a variety of ways. We would love to have your input.

Our first official PAC meeting of the 2012-2013 year will be Tuesday evening, Sept 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the ATSS/ATMS library. Our principal, Glen Hildebrand is always available at the meeting for a report and questions.

We would love to have an e-mail contact from you and to keep you informed of various needs and events throughout the year. Please send your first and last name, the names and grades of your student, and your e-mail address to: heather_schmidt@sd34.bc.ca

We are hosting "Parent Connection" times on Wednesday mornings September 12, 19 & 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24. Please come out as many times as you can to meet, "connect" and get to know other ATSS parents. Time: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. Bring a coffee or tea and enjoy!

OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENT INPUT

September 21, 2012 is a Non-Instructional Day for our schools. If you would be interested and able to spend the day with ATSS Admin, staff and parents to look closely at how to keep ATSS with "Traditional" practices and standards, please contact Mr. Glen Hildebrand – Glen_Hildebrand@sd34.bc.ca or 604-850-7029.

PAC Contacts:

Heather Schmidt (Chairperson)
heather_schmidt@sd34.bc.ca

Lori Toews (Treasurer):
lori_toews@sd34.bc.ca, ph: 604-857-2233

<p>** PAC MEETINGS for 2012-2013 year 7:00 pm – ATMS/ATSS Library Sept 25 - Oct 23 - Nov 20 – Dec 18 – Jan 15 – Feb 19 – Mar 12 – Apr 16 – June 4</p>
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WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU!

COMPUTER NEWS

Computer handout will begin shortly. All students will receive a computer use lesson and a review of the computer agreement. Students will not be issued computers unless all forms are returned.

The following forms must be complete:

- **Demographic Form**
- **Computer Agreement**
- **Computer Payment**
- **Student Pledge**

Any questions about payments can be made to Mrs. Mangat at the office.
Any general computer program questions can be directed to Mr. Macphail





FALL SPORT

TRY OUT SCHEDULE

Sept 10th- 14th

SR/JR Girls Volleyball

Monday: 2:30-3:45

Wednesday: 2:30-3:45

Thursday: 3:45- 5:00

JR Boys Volleyball

Monday: 3:45- 5:00

Tuesday 2:30-3:45

Thursday: 2:30-3:45

SR Boys Soccer

Monday: 2:45-4:00

Tuesday: 2:45-4:00

Wednesday: 2:45-4:00

Cross Country

Please see Ms.Hunt if you are interested!

