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Principal: Mr. Glen Hildebrand

Vice-Principal: Mr. Michael Hendricks

OnlineMarks Checkmymark.com

Student marks are available online at www.checkmymark.com. In order to access your child's marks, you will need to login with a

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@sd.34.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

Principal's Message

Well we are off to a great start. The startup of school went very smoothly this year. Thanks to our secretaries and counsellors who worked hard to sort out all of the timetable requests. This made for minimal disruption in the first two weeks.

Our numbers are slightly down this year, about 20 students, for the first time in seven years. We are not certain why but want to put a greater effort into connection with our Middle School as it seems a lot of the lost students are from our Gr. 8 class coming into Gr. 9.

I would like to very specifically congratulate our Gr. 12s from last year as they won 28 Provincial and 8 District scholarships for their hard earned efforts. The highest number of Provincial Scholarships we have had prior to this past year was 7. The sharp increase is related to a change in the provincial criteria but still we were up exponentially in this area. Please see the following list of names for the winners. We are proud of our students and their teachers for this outstanding accomplishment.

We are looking forward to our first Meet the Teacher evening tonight, Thursday September 20th. We invite you to come and meet your child's teachers. We begin in the gym at 7 pm and should be done shortly after 8 pm.

As well we are looking forward to having a number of parents involved in our Professional Development Day tomorrow, Friday, reviewing what "traditional" means and what the 10 Tenets would look like to us here in the high school. It should be a great time of reflection and establishing for the future.

Our grads will soon be off on an evening harbour cruise, Thursday October18, in the Vancouver Harbour and we are anticipating a great year this year. Stay tuned and if you have any questions don't hesitate to contact us here at the school.

Sincerely,

Glen Hildebrand, Principal, ATSS





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Andrew Lawrence	3137
Rebecca Toews	3134
Tracy Wedel	3140
Pam VanKleeck	323 7

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Brock Currie	3252
Bruce Cuthbertson	3236
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Lyndon Friesen	3138
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Katie Grieve	3234
Carlton Haak	3250
James Hill	3137
Kim Hunt	5107
Steve Kauffman	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Michelle Myers	3235
Sarah Peters	3136
Janet Wade	1121
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Denise Silzer	3135

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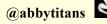
Darlene Rayburn

Community Support	
Jeven Randhawa	1110

Emails can be sent to <u>all staff</u> under: <u>first_last@sd34.bc.ca</u> (Simply use that teacher's name)

Remember: We are on the web!

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Check out our website: http://www.atss.ca

ATSS Calendar

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Sept 20	Meet the Teacher
Sept 21	Non Instructional Day #1
Sept 25	ATSS PAC Meeting
Oct 8	Thanksgiving Day
Oct 9	Photo Re-takes
Oct 18	Graduation Cruise
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 *
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Apr 12	Term III ends
Apr 16	ATSS PAC Meeting
Apr 24	Report cards issued
Apr 25	Parent/Teacher interviews Non Instructional Day #5
Apr 26	Non Instructional Day #5
May 10	Prom at Newlands
May 20	Victoria Day
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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 <u>Tuesday evening, Sept 25, at 7:00 p.m.</u> 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!

PAC Contacts:

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

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

** 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

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU!

<u>COMPUTER NEWS</u>

Computer handout is in progress. 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:

- o Demographic Form
- o Computer Agreement
- o 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





Yearbook News

Yearbooks will be on sale for \$45 until the end of October. After that they will be \$55.

PHOTO RETAKES

Tuesday October 9

MountainWest Studios will be returning to do retakes and any students that were absent. Please pick up an order form from the office. All order forms are to be handed in to the photographer on Tuesday. Oct.9

EXTENDED ABSENCES

Extended absences have a dramatic impact on the academic success of any student. Parents need to be aware that an extended absence will have a negative impact on student learning and academic performance, and that students who do not/cannot meet course learning outcomes may end up in a position of having to repeat one or more courses. Although all teachers attempt to provide homework for short leaves, the school is not equipped to offer long-term educational correspondence.

If the decision is ultimately made to take an extended vacation, students/parents must complete the following steps:

- 1. Student/parents must inform school administration and school counsellor of dates absent from school
- 2. Student/parents must complete an "extended absence" form (available in the office)
- 3. Student/parents must meet with school administration regarding extended absence from school
- 4. Student must inform teachers well ahead of time about the extended absence

The main office will keep list of students who will be away for an extended period, including departure and arrival dates. Please note, teachers are only required to provide homework for up to two weeks of missed class.







2012 Provincial Scholarship

Winners

Gurpreet Bhangoo

Isabella Potter

Harshraj Sidhu

Melissa Del Cid

Karanjit Puri

Ashish Sohi

Brayden Eagles

Tessa Sperling

Naomi Gasparac

Gagandeep Rai

Danae Styles

Ishaval Gill

Uushdeep Sahota

Abnashi Randhawa

Melissa Toews

Analise Jolicoeur

Matthew Sanders

Mandeep Uppal

Matthew Kelly

Ashandeep Sandhu

Natalie Wiebe

Arshpreet Khangura

Harvir Sandhu

Jasmeet Khosa

Raquel Schmidt

Julie-Ann Lawson

Jeremy Shap

Laura McPhedran





From the PE Department

Eleven of our runners represented ATSS's first ever Cross Country Team in Aldergrove on Monday, Sept. 17th. Junior and Senior Girls ran 4.5km and the Senior Boys ran 6.5km. In hot temperatures, all runners completed their races in good standing. Final results are to come. Congratulations to all runners, you can be proud of your efforts!

If you've been debating, this is your last opportunity to join our team this week. Runners must compete in Monday, Sept. 24th's meet at Aldergrove Bowl in order to be eligible to continue in the series. If you think you've got what it takes, or wish to improve your fitness level for your upcoming winter season of play, see Ms. Hunt.

ATSS CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

At Aldergrove Bowl off Lefeure Rd at about 6th Ave, opposite Magnum Gravel

Monday September 17 Race #1 3:30-4:30

Monday September 24 Race #2 3:30-4:30

Monday October 1 Race #3 3:30-4:30

Thursdays October 11 **Big Rock Invitational** (Pre-Fraser Valley) 1:00-4:30

Wednesday October 17 Race #4 District Championships. 3:00-4:30

Wednesday October 24 Fraser Valley Championships







Parents - looking for a way to tell your graduating son or daughter just how proud you are????

Book a space in the ATSS 2013 yearbook and write down how special they are. Include photographs with your well wishes.

> \$60 - 1/8 page message and photograph $100 - \frac{1}{4}$ page message and photograph $150 - \frac{1}{2}$ page message and multiple photographs \$200 - full page ad

All you need to do is provide the message and the photographs and we will design you a fabulous ad. Space is limited.

Please email Ms. Silzer at denise_silzer@sd34.bc.ca or call 604-850-7029 Deadline is January 25



September 2012 – BC communities are once again celebrating National Forest Week, whose theme this year is "Healthy Forests – Healthy Communities".

To honour the almost century-old National Forest Week tradition, September 23-29, 2012, FORED BC is again offering a provincial poster contest for students. One winning poster from each of the three categories of primary, intermediate and secondary will collect a \$50 prize from FORED BC. If a winning poster is submitted by a group, the group will share the

Deadline for poster submission to FORED BC is October 31, 2012. Posters should be on 11"x17" paper and reflect the theme for this year, Healthy Forests – Healthy Communities, which reminds us that forests and people are connected. Forests provide the economic backbone for many communities and wise forest management practices ensure that innovative approaches, technologies and tools are used for forest conservation and for the creation of sustainable industries. Communities, families and individuals depend on forests for their livelihood and way of life.

Any type of artistic medium may be used, i.e. pencil, crayon, paint, mural, collage, etc. Any type of artistic medium may be used, i.e. pencil, crayon, paint, mural, collage, etc.
Computer-designed posters may be submitted electronically to education@foredbc.org as
an attachment in high resolution.jpg format. Students must note their name, grade,
school, and school address, phone and email address on the back of all posters or in
covering emails. Poster entries must be postmarked by October 31, 2012. All posters
become the property of FORED BC. Due to the large volume of entries received, FORED
cannot return posters. Only winners will be notified. Winners will be asked to sign a media release so their posters and names can be published in local media. Previous award winning posters can be viewed at http://www.landscapesmag.com/common/main.cfm?ind=1&sin=1&ssi=0&sss=1.

FORED BC, short for FOR ED ucation About our Environment and its Natural Resources, is a charitable organization established in 1925. We work with aligned groups and volunteers such as the Spirit Bear Youth Coalition, the Aboriginal Institute for Management Excellence, and the Ministry of Forests on community-based sustainability

This event began in the 1920s to prevent forest fires and now raises national awareness of sustainable forest management for present and future needs

For additional info, please email education@foredbc.org or fax 604-737-8598.

FORED BC #213-4438 West 10th Avenue Vancouver, BC V6R 4R8













Be a fan of sports. Be a fan of unity. Be a fan of tolerance, empowerment and dignity. Be a fan of Special Olympics.

Since 1980, Special Olympics BC (SOBC), a registered charitable organization, has provided high-quality sports programs and competitions to meet the needs and interests of individuals with intellectual disabilities, helping them enrich their lives and celebrate personal achievement through positive sport experiences.

These sports opportunities provide athletes with far more than the physical benefits of improved health and athletic ability. Through their participation in Special Olympics programs, athletes also develop social skills, cultivate friendships, strive for and achieve goals and increase their self-esteem.

In addition to year-round sports programs, SOBC offers athletes opportunities to compete at the regional, provincial, national and international level through a four-year competition cycle for summer and winter sports.

"When we heard about Special Olympics, it changed my whole life. I made new friends, had new coaches and I love all the sports... Thankfully there is an organization like this for people like me." - Special Olympics BC - Campbell River athlete

Quick facts

More than 3,900 athletes participate in summer and winter sports programs throughout BC.

More than 2,900 volunteers assist in bringing the programs to life.

Programs run in 55 communities around the province.

Coaches are certified through the National Coaching Certification Program.

Official SOBC winter sports: alpine skiing, cross-country skiing, curling, figure skating, floor hockey, snowshoeing and speed skating.

Official SOBC summer sports: 5-pin bowling, 10-pin bowling, aquatics, powerlifting, rhythmic gymnastics, soccer, softball and track and field.

Demonstration sports: basketball, bocce and golf.

SOBC also offers youth programs designed to help children with intellectual disabilities develop basic motor and sport skills through fun and positive movement experiences: Active Start (for children ages 2 to 6), FUNdamentals (ages 7 to 11) and Sport Start (ages 12 to 18).

1.888.854.2276 | WWW.SPECIALOLYMPICS.BC.CA | INFO@SPECIALOLYMPICS.BC.CA WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SPECIALOLYMPICSBC | TWITTER @SOBCSOCIETY



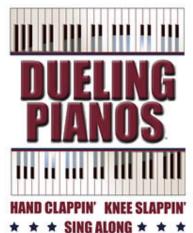




Saturday September 22, 2012 7:00 pm Reach Art Gallery



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Tickets \$30 each..

Available from Ted - 604-853-5415 or perrydunnett@shaw.ca

Proceeds to Community Services Children's Christmas Dinner and the SPCA







