

# **The Titan Tribune**

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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

#### **Counselor:**

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

# One-to-One program:

Andrew MacPhail local: 1120

# Principal's Message

We can see the end in sight. Soon we will all be dispersed to our summer activities which will include summer school for some, work, travelling, sightseeing and just "chill'in" for others. Our classes still continue until Tues. Jun. 18, next week. As many teachers will spend these last few days in preparation for the oncoming exams, attendance is important. Our exam week schedule begins on Wed. Jun. 19 and continues until Fri. Jun. 21. Please see the attached exam schedule for details about your son or daughter's exams.

I would like to thank all of the parents, students and teachers for the great grad celebrations we enjoyed. Our convocation was well conducted and appreciated and the dry grad after celebration was fun for all. We want to wish all of our grads the very best, first in their exams and secondly in their future plans and the destinations they will take them.

Timetabling is completed for next year and we will be mailing out the timetables for our Gr. 11s and 12s over the summer. There will be a time in the week prior to school startup for Gr. 11s and 12s to come in and make any changes they wish prior to school starting. This information will be provided in our summer newsletter. Gr. 9s and 10s will receive theirs on the first day of school in September.

Just a reminder to be mindful of the pre-requisites set for entering upper level academic classes. See the following descriptions regarding these pre-requisites. This may affect your son or daughter's decision regarding summer school.

A **Minimum C grade or 60%** which meets the Ministry guideline of having successfully met the course outcomes. These prerequisites will be strictly applied to our Academic courses which include Foundations and Pre-Calculas Math 11 & 12, Biology, Chemistry and Physics 11 & 12 and English 11 & 12. In order to qualify for the next level in these courses the student will have to have achieved at least a C or a 60% in their respective Math or Science 10 course and 55% in English 10.

There will be a significant change to our school start time every other Friday for next year. The School District has given us the go ahead to build in Collaboration time for our teachers. See the following rationale below.

"Approximately thirty years of educational research supports both the concept of teacher collaboration and the practical implementation of structures that allow teachers to meet during the workday to collaborate on issues related to student learning and achievement. Research clearly shows student learning improves when teachers shift from working independently to working interdependently within and across disciplines. Fostering a culture of collaboration and facilitating it through school scheduling empowers teachers to work together to better teach and assess students and to "take collective responsibility for student learning" (Louis & Wahlsotom, 2011)."

We are looking forward to this opportunity to work at ways to enhance the learning and success of our students. It is important for you as parents to know that it will provide the change in school start times for every other Friday beginning with Sept. 6 when our start time will be 9:18 in the morning. The school will be open for our bussing students and for those who cannot accommodate a later drop off time. We will provide a study hall location supervised for them to continue with their studies. We will provide more information over the summer regarding this.

We have completed a process we began at the beginning of the year with our parents and staff in defining the "10 Tenets" of traditional for ATSS. We have them available for you as copies in the office or you can access them on our website at www.atss.ca

In a response to some of our students and our parents we are looking to introduce some more "classy" options for our students' uniforms. We will be adding a V-neck sweater in both red and black as well as a tie which can be worn with a white shirt. These will be additional options available with our current choices to our students. See the following for more details about our uniform and for a fitting day coming soon

I want to wish everyone a relaxing and fun filled summer and look forward to seeing you all back next year.

Sincerely,

Glen Hildebrand Principal, ATSS





# **Faculty:**

Dept Heads:	Local
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** 

Teaching Stair	
Don Barden ringer :2244	1103
Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Bruce Cuthbertson	3236
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Lindsay Faber	1108
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
Harshpinder Punia	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Michelle Myers	3235
Sarah Peters	3136
Janet Wade	1121
Olga Ulyasheva	3240
Elizabeth Smoes	3136

**Learning Assistance** 

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

Library

Laurie Salter	3152

Cafeteria

Julie McCaughey 5169

**International Rep** 

Christine 1110

Youth Worker

3255

Darlene Rayburn

Community Support

Jeven Randhawa 1110

Emails can be sent to all staff under:

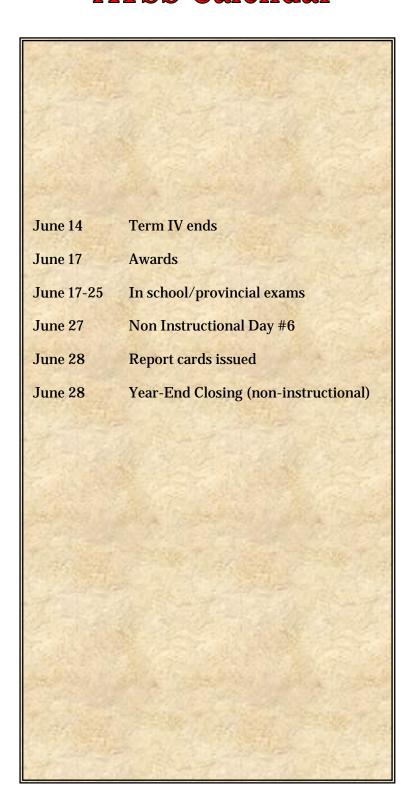
first\_last@sd34.bc.ca
(Simply use that teacher's name)

Remember: We are on the web!

Follow us on Twitter

@abbytitans

# **ATSS Calendar**







# **PAC NEWS**

We are in need of some new PAC Exec members for the next school year (particularly a Treasurer) ... and nominations are OPEN!



### Please contact Heather Schmidt at

# heatherschmidt91@gmail.com

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 next PAC meeting of the 2012-2013 year will be  $\underline{\text{Wednesday evening, June 12, at 7:00 p.m.}}$  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. 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

Feb 19 – Mar 12 – Apr 16 – June 12

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU!







A tremendous applause and HUGE thank you goes out to the following Admin., teachers, parents and students who helped make the 2nd Annual Grand March an event that went smoothly and was greatly appreciated by all of our ATSS family and guests. Many positive comments were received ... and we couldn't have done it without the help of many. THANK YOU to ALL (and please forgive us if we missed someone!!!)

ADMIN: Mr. Glen Hildebrand and Mr. Michael Hendricks

Secretaries: Mrs. Lisa Hartley and Mrs. Tiffani Schellenberg

Teachers: Mrs. Rebecca Toews\*, Mrs. Michelle Myers\*, Mr. Grant Gasser, Ms. Reena Dhillon,

Ms. Olga Ulysheva, Mr. Carlton Haak, Mr. Brock Currie, Mr. Sandy Lane, Mr. Andrew

Macphail, Mrs. Pam VanKleeck, Mr. Ken Laity, Mr. Lyndon Friesen,

Parents: Mrs. Arlene Campbell, Mrs. Estella Cumyn\* (co-event coordinator), The Draayers Family (Cordell, Anthony, Sebastian), Mrs. Anita Gill, Mrs. Ranjit Gill, Mrs. Leann Goertzen-Loeppky\* (co-event coordinator), Mr. David Grant, Mr. Richard Hay, Mrs. Bonnie Hughes, Mrs. Marnie James, Mrs. Sheilagh McPhedran, Mrs. Sherry Reimer, Mrs. Karmjit Sandhu, Mr. & Mrs. David & Jacquie Schultz, Mrs. Rani Sidhu,, Mrs. Shari Styles, Mrs. Jenny Thulin, Mrs. Lori Toews, Mrs. Silvia Warraich.

ATSS Students: Michelle Berg, Lindsay Hughes, Gaurav Sandhar, Inder Rai, Sunny Hansra, Kaysha Frazier, Harman Grewal, Alisha Mutneja, Jalmeena Gill, Austin Broad ... and of course, our Gr. 12 grad class!

ATMS Students: Allison Campbell, Megan Thulin

# **Community Events and Information**

For further information please visit the following websites:



#### ATTENTION PARENTS

SUMMER READING CLUB AT THE ABBOTSFORD COMMUNITY, CLEARBROOK AND MOUNT LEHMAN LIBRARIES BEGINS SOON!

For more information, please contact:

Abbotsford Community Library 604.853.1753 Clearbrook Library 604.859.7814 x229 Mount Lehman Library 604.856.4988

FVRL
FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY
Read. Learn. Play. | www.fvrl.ca





## "Summer activities for youth!

There are a wide range of summer programs, activities and camps for children and teens offered by community organizations throughout the summer. As a public service the Abbotsford School District has listed submitted information on summer activities in one convenient location online for you to review, at...

http://www.sd34.bc.ca/parents-students/summerprograms



# All Call For Secondary School Apprentices

For example, at a restaurant, on a construction site, in an automotive shop, on a dairy farm, or in a hair salon?



If so, you may be eligible to enroll in a **Secondary School Apprenticeship and earn a \$1,000.00 scholarship.** 

If you are a high school student working part-time in a trade, you are probably a "hidden apprentice." By registering as a Secondary School Apprentice, you will be able to earn course credits for the work you're already doing, become eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship, and get a head start on earning your trade certification. Talk to your school's career facilitator about the kind of work that qualifies, and about registering as a Secondary School Apprentice or call the District Career Programs Office at (604) 504-4618, local 1802.

For a complete list of eligible trades in the province of B.C. and to find out more information regarding the SSA Program, visit the Industry Training Authority's website at: http://www.itabc.ca



For more information, visit www.abbotsfordcareerprograms.com







Where: Abby Senior Secondary

When: July 3 to July 30 (Monday to Friday) from 8 to 1:05

## What:

## **Academic Completion Courses Offered:**

Grade 9: Mathbots, Outcome Recovery Math, Humanities 9

Grade 10: English, AW Math, Found & PreC Math, Science, Social Studies, Planning, Journalism

Grade 11: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, English, AW Math, PreC Math, Foundations Math, Social Studies, Community Recreation

Grade 12: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, PreC Math, English, Communications

#### **Provincial Exams:**

Offered in the August Exam Session (Only via Electronic)

#### Cost

\$100 by Cheque (Refundable) only payable to SD34 Summer School (Must attend for 2 weeks to get \$100 back).

New for 2013: All current Grade 12 Students must pay \$450 to register for a course.

## **REGISTRATION:**

Advanced Registration May 13 - May 24

-Pick up application and register with high school counselor

General Registration June 11 – 12 from 4:30 to 7:30

-Register at the School Board Office

Late Registration July 2 from 9 to 12

-Register at Abbotsford Senior

For more information contact your counsellor or:

Summer School Principal Bo Sidhu (604-807-3842) or

Summer School VP Sean McLaughlin (604-616-4309)

Summer School Website is <a href="http://www.sd34.bc.ca/schools/summer">http://www.sd34.bc.ca/schools/summer</a>

