



December 6, 2013

Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School

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Principal: Mr. Glen Hildebrand
Vice-Principal: Mr. Michael Hendricks

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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: 1002

Counselor:
Mr. Colin Abernethy local: 1107

One-to-One program:
Andrew MacPhail local: 1120

All teacher e-mail addresses can be found on our website www.atss.ca



Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that the Christmas season is upon us. Where has the time gone? I would like to encourage all of us to take the time to reflect on the benefits we have as we near Christmas. Through all the frenzy of shopping and other festivities, let us not forget the true meaning of the season. The joy and celebration of the greatest gift ever given and that, which time with family and friends can bring. During this time of celebration, we must not forget those less fortunate than us.

I would like to thank all of you who took the time to stop in and visit with your son or daughter's teachers. Although I was not able to be here due to prior commitments, I understand the day went very well. Both teachers and parents commented that they enjoyed the flexibility and privacy of time, which was spent during the daytime conferences. There are some of our students who have slipped in keeping up with their work and we certainly encourage you to work with them to ensure that they catch up in preparation for the final push for exams and semester end. It will be here before we know it.

Congratulations to Mrs. Wade and to our Middle and Secondary concert and jazz bands. They put on their Christmas Band Concert performance Tues. evening at the Abby Arts Center, which was well attended and enjoyed by all, with everything from the Gr. 6 Band, with only 2 months of playing, to our Sr. Concert and Jazz bands performing. Our students looked very sharp in their new Band uniforms and played very well. Great job Mrs. Wade and ATMS/ATSS bands.

This coming Friday will be an X block support for those students who are struggling or have missing work. As we prepare for the Christmas holidays we look forward to our upcoming Christmas Dinner and Dance on Thurs. Dec. 12 beginning at 6 pm. If you as a parent would like to get involved I would ask that you contact the office to let us know. We can use volunteers to assist in setting up, operating the coat check and in supervising. We also have an assembly coming up on Dec. 13 on the topic of Bullying and Harassment led by Tad Milmine, an RCMP officer. Parents are welcome. If you would like to attend, can you please let the office know so that we can set up for how many would be attending.

Sincerely,

Glen Hildebrand, Principal



Faculty:

Dept Heads:	Local
Colin Abernethy	1107
Ken Laity	5107
Andrew Macphail	5173/1120/1114
Rebecca Toews	3134
Tracy Wedel	3140
Pam VanKleeck	3237/3256

Teaching Staff

Don Barden ringer :2244	1103
Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Bruce Cuthbertson	3236
Reena Dhillon	3137
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Carlton Haak	3250
James Hill	3137
Kim Hunt	5107
Steve Kauffman	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Frank Muermann	3138
Michelle Myers	3235
Val Neufeldt	3137
Tamara O'Brien	5173
Elizabeth Smoes	3136
Olga Ulyasheva	3240
Janet Wade	1121

Learning Assistance

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

Library

Laurie Salter	3152
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Cafeteria

Bonnie Hughes	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:

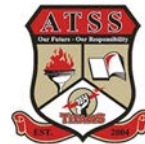
first_last@sd34.bc.ca

(Simply use that teacher's name)

Remember: We are on the web!

Follow us on Twitter @abbytians

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



ATSS Calendar

Dec. 13	Collaboration Day #7
Dec. 20	Last day before Christmas Vacation
Dec. 23 – Jan. 3	Christmas Vacation
Jan. 6	School Re-opens after Christmas Vacation
Jan. 10	Collaboration Day #8
Jan. 24	Term 2 Ends/Collaboration Day #9
Jan. 27-31	In school/Provincial Exams
Feb. 3	Semester 2 Begins
Feb. 7	Report Cards Issued
Feb. 10	Family Day
Feb. 14	Collaboration Day #10
Feb. 21	Non-Instructional Day #4
Mar. 7	Collaboration Day #11
Mar. 12-13	1-hour Early Dismissal Days
Mar. 14	Last day before Days-in-Lieu/Spring Vacation
Mar. 17-28	Spring Vacation
Mar. 31	School re-opens after Spring Vacation
Apr. 4	Collaboration Day #12
Apr. 18	Good Friday
Apr. 21	Easter Monday
Apr. 11	Term 3 Ends
Apr. 25	Report Cards Issued/Collaboration Day #13
May 8	Parent-Teacher Interviews
May 9	Non-Instructional Day #5
May 16	Collaboration Day #14
May 19	Victoria Day
May 30	Collaboration Day #15
June 2	Non-Instructional Day #6
June 13	Term 4 Ends/Collaboration Day #16
June 18-24	In-School/Provincial Exams
June 27	Report Cards Issued
	Year-End Closing (non-instructional)





With many of our students having cell phones and bringing them to school, the potential for these devices to go missing or get stolen is an unfortunate reality. (In fact, our preference is for students NOT to bring these devices to school at all and that students keep them at home.) There is a lengthy list of cell phones for sale at any given time on sites like *craigslist* and *kijiji*, and also word-of-mouth contacts for kids looking to buy (or sell) cell phones. Many of these devices are stolen, and many of these are stolen from kids at school. (They are small, easy to hide, and expensive.)

If you or your child are looking to buy a used/unlocked cell phone, how would you know if it was stolen? At the same time, if you or your child had a cell phone stolen, how could you prevent it from being resold? The following link provides information on protecting your mobile device, as well as checking on whether or not a device you or your child wishes buy is stolen: <http://www.protectyourdata.ca>. This program was developed and is maintained by the Canadian Wireless Telecommunication Association, and all major wireless carriers are a part of this program. If you or your child has their cell phone stolen, report it immediately to your wireless service provider (Bell, Telus, Rogers, Fido, etc.). The device's unique IMEI number will be added to the shared national blacklist. Any device appearing on this list will be blocked and participating Canadian wireless providers will not allow it to be used on their wireless network. In essence, they will not issue a new SIM/Micro-SIM/Nano-SIM card, which allows the device to join a cellular network. This renders the mobile device essentially useless.

If you are buying a used/unlocked phone, you can check the devices IMEI number to see if it's been reported as stolen. Here's how:

1. Go to <http://www.protectyourdata.ca/check-the-status-of-your-device-in-canada/> and enter the 15 digit IMEI number and click enter.
2. Can't find the device's IMEI number? Check the white label typically found underneath the battery of the device OR enter ***#06#** on most devices. Once you have the IMEI number, go to step #1 above to search it.

Local police departments like the Abbotsford Police and Langley RCMP urge people to promptly report stolen phones and have them listed on the national blacklist by their carrier. They also urge people who plan to buy a used/unlocked cell phone to check the IMEI before taking possession of the phone. This national database will include blacklisted devices reported as stolen as of Sept. 30, 2013. It will also include devices reported as stolen or lost by American carriers.





The Abbotsford Traditional Secondary Musical Theatre Program presents:

ANNIE

**School Matinees run on
Wednesday, January 15
& Thursday, January 16 from
11:30-1:30**

What Is the Story of *Annie*?

Annie tells the story of the little orphan, the unflappable optimist whose charm endears her to everyone she meets. Through fortunate circumstance and a little mischief, Annie ends up being chosen as a houseguest of the Depression-era billionaire, Oliver Warbucks, for the Christmas holidays. Unlike the other children at Miss Hannigan's orphanage, Annie believes that her parents are still alive and will one day return for her. When Mr. Warbucks offers to adopt her, she instead asks the most powerful man in America to help find her real mom and dad. He agrees and, with a \$50,000 reward, attracts the attention of con artists Rooster, Lily, and the wicked Miss Hannigan who plot to kidnap Annie and take the reward. In the end, this classic family musical has a happy ending for Annie, Daddy Warbucks, and the whole gang, leaving you with a renewed appreciation for the bonds of friendship and family.

What Is *Annie* Like?

Set in New York City around Christmas 1933, the show mixes fictional characters like Annie and Warbucks with real-life historical figures – like President Franklin Delano Roosevelt – and

events. The Tony-winning musical features classic and instantly recognizable tunes including "Tomorrow," "It's a Hard Knock Life" and "Easy Street."

Is *Annie* Good for Kids?

Annie is the perfect Broadway musical for the whole family. Children will find the show funny and silly, while adults enjoy the jokes on a different level, and everyone goes home feeling good about the bonds of friends and family.

* Two posters will be mailed to your school. We hope you would consider posting these somewhere visible to help us promote our production.

School Matinees - \$5 per seat - students & teachers

**January 16 & 17, 2014 @ 11:30AM
(Approx. 120 minutes in length)
at the Abbotsford Arts Centre**

For seat reservations contact:

**Lisa Hartley 604-850-7029
(8:30am-2:30pm)**

**Reserve your seats now - our shows fill quickly
Teachers must arrange their own bus
transportation - book early!**



Parent Volunteers Christmas Banquet

Parents who are interested in helping at the
Christmas Banquet next Thursday,

December 12th

please email Mr. Currie.

brock_currie@sd34.bc.ca

Doors open at 5:30 and dance ends at 9:00 pm.

We would appreciate the help of 10 parents.

Thank you.



Inclement Weather

As we get closer to that time when the weather can turn nasty, if you are unsure about whether or not the school is closed for a heavy snowfall, your best source for school closures is to tune in to the local radio stations where the district will post that information, for example, 980 AM CKNW, 98.3 STAR FM or check the district website at <http://www.sd34.bc.ca/>

Community Events and Information

Please check the district website at

<http://www.sd34.bc.ca/>



For further information please visit the following
websites:

Please check Abbyconnect page for New Information:

(Posters on Abbyconnect)

1. Concerts and events at schools
 2. Abbotsford Skating Club
 3. Abbotsford Angels Hardball Association
 4. Abbotsford Olympian Swim Club
 5. Christmas displays at Cultus Lake
 6. Home for the Holidays – Violin masters concert in Abbotsford
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Youth Mentor Program

Matches youth aged 10 – 18 with an Adult Youth Mentor.
This is a program of the South Asian Community Resource Office (SACRO).

Movies	Arts & Crafts
Job Search Help	Fitness/Sports
Homework Help	Games

So much more!

For more information contact:
Anoop Dhaliwal
Youth Mentor Facilitator
604.217.6244
Anoop.Dhaliwal@abbotsfordcommunityservices.com

The SACRO Youth Mentor Program is one of 80 services offered at Abbotsford Community Services.



Free Parent Education Group



How Did We Get Here?

The Journey Through:
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum and Related Disorders

Understanding ... Management ... Support

January 13 - March 3, 2014

Once per week, Monday, 6:30pm-9:00pm

(February 10th class changed to Tuesday February 11th)

Abbotsford, B.C

Contact to register or for more information,
Leona Fountain 604-852-2686 ext. 246

Light Snack Provided

Presented by:



Space is limited ... Register today!

Abbotsford: 604.852.3886 | Chilliwack: 604.874.8700 | Mission: 604.870.9536 | www.fvcd.org

Come Learn to skate with the
Abbotsford Skating Club!

This is where it starts. Join today and enroll in our **CanSkate**

Learn the fundamentals (basics) that give you a strong foundation for:
Hockey, speed skating, ringette or figure skating!

"All it takes is a pair of skates"
All participants require a CSA approved hockey helmet.

CanSkate, Star/Skate Academy sessions on Tues & Thur.
Also offer private lessons for Junior and Senior skaters.
CanPower-Thurs Ice Show – April 5, 2014

SKATING CLUB LOCATED AT MRC ARENA
Email: registrar@abbotsfordskatingclub.org

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www.abbotsfordskatingclub.org



Selective Mutism: Giving Kids a Voice

Strategies for helping kids who are very shy or have Selective Mutism be brave and talk at home, in school, and in the community.

Event Description:

Do you know a child who doesn't speak in some social situations despite speaking freely in others? Learn the latest about selective mutism and strategies for helping kids find their voice. Suitable for parents, teachers, and professionals.

Presenter:

Dr. Annie Simpson, Registered Psychologist

Date:

Thursday, December 12

Time: 7-9pm

Location: The Chan Centre Auditorium
BC Children's Hospital, 950 West 28th Ave, Vancouver

Seating is limited, please RSVP:

info@anxietybc.com
(604) 525-7566



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Nov. 29, 30, Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 & 31
PROTECT your community.
We're in it TOGETHER.



Thursday
December 5, 2013
5:30 to 8:30 PM

Room 2020
Surrey School
District Office
14033 92nd Avenue
Surrey, BC

Free but seats are limited! Please pre-register. Priority will be given to family members.

ACT has a Punjabi-speaking staff member to help with registration. Call 604-205-5467 or email info@actcommunity.ca.

Co-sponsored by



Building a Bright Future for Children with Autism

An Information Evening For Punjabi-Speaking Families

Siblings, Parents, Grandparents and Neighbours — all are welcomed to this community event aimed at increased awareness of the potential of children and adults with autism and the needs of their families for information and support

English-Punjabi translation will be provided.

5:30 – 6:30 CAN VAN, Meet, Greet & Refreshments

The CAN VAN's fun, interactive autism display builds understanding while encouraging supportive communities for those living with autism.

6:30 – 7:30 Panel Discussion

Dr. Vikram Dua	B.C. Children's Hospital
Rina Duike	Surrey Center for Child Development
Dr. Karen Bopp	Ministry of Children and Family Development
Parbinder Bains	Surrey School District
Preetinder Narang	Surrey School District
Deborah Pugh	ACT-Autism Community Training

7:30 – 8:30 Questions & Discussions

You are welcomed to send your questions to ACT in advance so we can be sure to address your concerns. Call Ruby Bhandal at 604-205-5467; email rbhandal@actcommunity.ca.

Details available at www.actcommunity.ca/events

Organized by ACT's South Asian Autism Awareness Committee



ਬੀਰਵਾਰ
ਦਸੰਬਰ 5, 2013
5:30 ਤੋਂ 8:30 pm

ਸਰੀ ਸਕੂਲ ਡਿਸਟ੍ਰਿਕਟ ਆਫਿਸ
14033-92 ਐਵਿਨਿਊ, ਸਰੀ

ਦਾਖਲਾ ਮੁਫਤ ਪਰ ਸੀਮਤ ਅਸਥਾਨ। ਇਹ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਰ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਹੀ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਕਰੋ। ਪਰਿਵਾਰਕ ਜੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਪਹਿਲ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ ਲਈ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਸਤੇ ACT ਕੋਲ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਖੋਲ੍ਹਣ ਵਾਲਾ ਸਟਾਫ਼ ਵੀ ਹੈ। ਕਾਲ ਕਰੋ 604-205-5467 ਜਾਂ ਈਮੇਲ ਈ-ਮੇਲ ਕਰੋ info@actcommunity.ca.

ਸਹਿ ਸਹਯੋਗ



ਆਟਿਸਟਿਕ ਬੱਚਿਆਂ ਲਈ ਇੱਕ ਸੁਨਿਹਰੀ ਭਵਿੱਖ ਦਾ ਨਿਰਮਾਣ

ਇੱਕ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਭਰਪੂਰ ਸ਼ਾਮ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਭਾਈਚਾਰੇ ਲਈ

ਬੱਚੇ, ਮਾਪੇ, ਖਜ਼ੂਰਗ ਤੇ ਪੜ੍ਹੇਸ਼ੀ - ਆਪ ਸਾਥਿਆ ਨੂੰ ਖੁੱਲ੍ਹਾ ਸੌਣਾ ਇੰਨਾ ਜ਼ਰੂਰੀ ਹੈ ਇਸ ਸਮਾਜਕ ਪ੍ਰੋਗਰਾਮ ਤੇ ਅਭਿਵਾਦਨ, ਜਿਸ ਦਾ ਮਕਸਦ ਹੈ ਆਟਿਸਟਿਕ ਬੱਚੇ ਦੇ ਸਮਝਾਏ ਭਵਿੱਖ ਬਾਰੇ ਜਾਗਰੂਕਤਾ ਵਧਾਈ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਲਈ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਤੇ ਸਿਮਰਤਿਓ ਦੀ ਜ਼ਰੂਰਤ ਨੂੰ ਪੂਰਾ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਅੰਗਰੇਜ਼ੀ - ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਇੰਨਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ

5:30 – 6:30 ਕੈਨ ਵੈਨ, ਮੇਲ ਮਿਲਾਪ, ਸਵਾਗਤ ਅਤੇ ਹਲਕਾ ਭੋਜਨ

“ਕੈਨ ਵੈਨ” ਦੀ ਇਲਚਸਪ ਪਰਦਰਸ਼ੀ ਆਟਿਸਟਿਕ ਦੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਵਧਾਉਣ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਨਾਲ ਆਟਿਸਟਿਕ ਨਾਲ ਜੀ ਰਹੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਲਈ ਸਮਾਜਿਕ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਉਤਸ਼ਾਹਿਤ ਕਰਦੀ ਹੈ

6:30 – 7:30 ਵਿਚਾਰ ਵਟਾਂਦਰੇ ਲਈ ਆ ਰਹੇ ਭੁਲਾਰੇ

ਡਾ. ਵਿਕਰਮ ਦੂਆ	ਬੀ ਸੀ ਇਲਡਰਨ ਹੋਸਪੀਟਲ
ਰੀਨਾ ਫੂਲਕੂ	ਸਰੀ ਸੈਂਟਰ ਫਾਰ ਚਾਇਲਡ ਡਵੈਲਪਮੈਂਟ
ਡਾ. ਕੈਰਨ ਬੋਪ	ਮਿਨਿਸਟਰੀ ਆਫ ਇਲਡਰਨ ਐਂਡ ਹੈਮੀਲੀ ਡਵੈਲਪਮੈਂਟ
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ਡੈਬੋਰਾ ਪਿਯੂ	ACT-ਆਟਿਸਟਿਕ ਕਮਿਊਨਿਟੀ ਟ੍ਰੇਨਿੰਗ

7:30 – 8:30 ਸਵਾਲ ਜਵਾਬ ਅਤੇ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਵਟਾਂਦਰਾ

ਇਹ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਰ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਵਾਲ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਦੇ ਅਧਾਰ ਤੇ ACT ਨੂੰ ਭੇਜੇ ਤਾਂ ਜੋ ਅਸੀਂ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਜਵਾਬ ਦੇਣ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਹਲ ਹੋ ਸਕੀਏ। ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕੁਝੀ ਭੰਡਾਲ ਨੂੰ 604-205-5467 ਤੇ ਕਾਲ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਤੁਸੀਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਸਵਾਲ ਈ-ਮੇਲ ਵੀ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ rbhandal@actcommunity.ca.

ਵਧੇਰੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਲਈ www.actcommunity.ca/events ਤੇ ਜਾਓ

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