



April 29, 2015

Abbotsford Traditional Secondary School

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Principal:
Mr. Glen Hildebrand

Vice-Principal:
Mr. Geoff Davies

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:

local: 1001

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

Well we have just completed our third term and the end of the year is in sight. Amazingly how time does seem to speed up as major dates draw closer. I would encourage all of you to be in touch with the teachers of your son or daughter as it is extremely important that they keep up their work habits as we approach the end of the year. As the sun shines and the lure of the wild beyond grows strong, please ensure that they are in attendance. It is a requirement that all students continue to attend all classes until the very end even if they feel they do not need the class for graduation.

Report cards will be coming home this Friday, please look for them and our Parent/Teacher Interview Night is next Thurs. May 7 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. We want to keep the interviews to a maximum of 10 minutes in order to provide opportunity for all the parents who wish to speak to the teachers. Punjabi language translation will be provided through Mrs. Randhawa our District Multi-Cultural Worker.

Congratulations to our Sr. Girls Soccer Team who for the third or more times in a row have finished first in our soccer leagues with a 2-0 win over MEI. Well done team and Coach Laity.

A reminder of our 10th Anniversary Celebration coming tomorrow, Thurs. Apr. 30. We begin at 5:30 with a BBQ with all current and past parents of ATSS students and past ATSS students invited. We'll begin a brief program at 7 pm in the gym, see ad following.

A serious caution for our Grads that as we get closer to the end of the year if they are involved in any "Grad pranks" which cause any damage or disruption, they may likely forfeit their Grad Prom and/or Dry Grad and/or Convocation. Our encouragement is to have them find a positive way to express their enthusiasm but there is no place for any kind of vandalism, missing of classes or disruption of and to other schools.

Sincerely,
Glen Hildebrand, Principal, ATSS



Faculty:

Dept Heads:	Local
Colin Abernethy	1107
Lindsay Faber	1108
Ken Laity	5107
Andrew Macphail	1120
Rebecca Toews	3134
Tracy Wedel	3140
Michelle Myers	3235
Carlton Haak	3250

Teaching Staff

Don Barden ringer :2244	1103
Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Paul Eberhardt	3138
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Kim Hunt	5107
Stephan Kauffmann	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Joel McCall	3236
Frank Muermann	3137
Daniel Muller	3237
Tamara O'Brien	5173
Olga Ulyasheva	3240
Janet Wade	1121

Learning Assistance

Phyllis Collins	3135
Heidi Ens	3135
Karen Hiebert	3135
Amy Cumiskey	3135

Library

Laurie Salter	3152
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Cafeteria

Bonnie Hughes	5169
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International Rep

Christina	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:

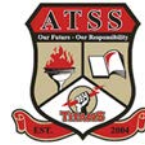
first_last@sd34.bc.ca

(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

May 1	Report Cards Issued
May 7	Parent-Teacher Interviews 6:30 – 8:00 PM
May 8	Non-Instructional Day
May 15	Collaboration Day
May 18	Victoria Day
May 29	Collaboration Day
June 1	Non-Instructional Day
June 12	Collaboration Day
June 17-25	In-School/Provincial Exams
June 26	Year-End Closing (non-instructional)

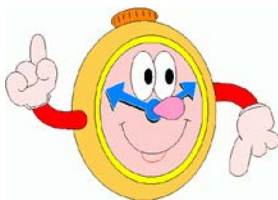




Important Information Regarding Student Absences:

Parents if you know your child is away from school with your permission, please ensure that you contact the school office to inform us of such. As we attempt to track students' attendance it is very important that we know if a student is away with your permission or not.

You can do so by phoning the office at 604-850-7029.



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:
(Flyers in Abbyconnect in "For Families" folder)

<http://www.sd34.bc.ca/parents-students/CommunityInformation>

** new listings to the community/parent info page on the district website ** at

<http://www.sd34.bc.ca/parents-students/CommunityInformation>





Parent Teacher Interview Night

Parent/Teacher Interview night coming up next week. Thurs. evening May 7 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Please make sure you come out and meet your child's teacher and go over any concerns you may have.

10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AND BBQ

ATSS will be hosting a 10 year Anniversary Celebration.

This is the 10th year of a graduation class for ATSS

You are invited.

Mark this date on your calendars. April 30

We plan to host an evening beginning with a BBQ at 5:30 pm on Thurs. Apr. 30

This will be followed by a walk down memory lane with pictures, a brief program and time to reunite with your old classmates and fellow parents ending at 9 pm

Please come and join us in the celebration of 10 years of graduates from ATSS

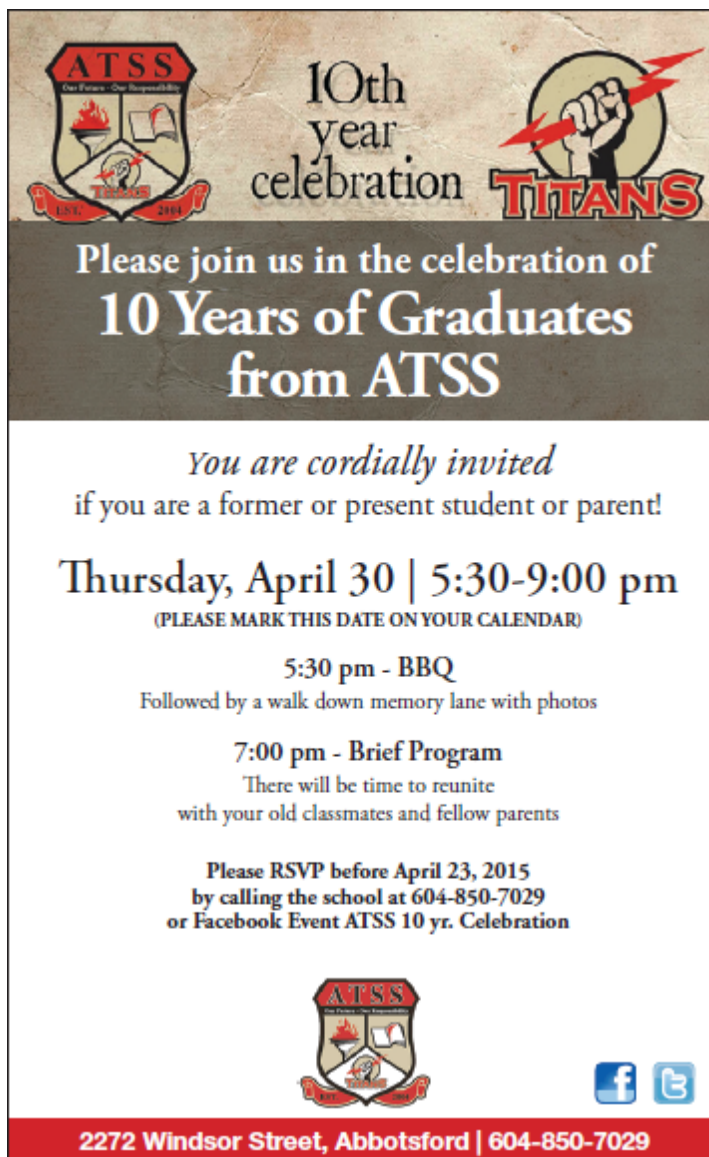
More information to follow



Glen Hildebrand

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 10th
year
celebration 

Please join us in the celebration of
**10 Years of Graduates
from ATSS**




You are cordially invited
if you are a former or present student or parent!

Thursday, April 30 | 5:30-9:00 pm
(PLEASE MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR)

5:30 pm - BBQ
Followed by a walk down memory lane with photos

7:00 pm - Brief Program
There will be time to reunite
with your old classmates and fellow parents

Please RSVP before April 23, 2015
by calling the school at 604-850-7029
or Facebook Event ATSS 10 yr. Celebration



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GRAD PARENTS



GRADUATION!



BE INFORMED
BY JOINING
OUR GRAD
BLOG

Dear Parent/Guardian, to be informed of information that may be of interest to your graduating student please subscribe to our Grad Blog.

To subscribe go to:

<http://start.sd34.bc.ca/atssss/grads/atss-grad-blog/>

From: ATSS Counsellors



Important Notice

Effective **TUESDAY, Feb 17, 2015**

Abbotsford Child & Youth Mental Health

**INTAKE Services are accessed through our *new*
Child and Youth Mental Health Intake Clinic**

NO appointments, WALK-IN only

This clinic is for intake to Child and Youth Mental Health services
and does not apply to youth/families already accessing
Child and Youth Mental Health services.

Parents/caregivers are encouraged to only bring the child or youth who is seeking services with them to the intake clinic, as childminding is not provided on-site. Older children and youth are encouraged to attend the intake clinic with their families whenever possible. Youth also have the option of attending the clinic on their own as a private self-referral.

AGES 6-18

2828 Cruickshank St

TUESDAYS from 9 – 5 pm

(open during lunch hour this day only)

For more information please call 604-870-5880

(Ages 0-5 Please call 604-870-5880 to make intake appointment)



**BRITISH
COLUMBIA**



Volunteers are needed for the 12th Annual Family Fun Day which is an event for children 0- 6 and their families. This event is hosted by the Abbotsford Early Childhood Committee. The event is on May 9th at Rotary Stadium. It starts at 10:00am but volunteers need to be there at 9:00am. The event ends at 2:00pm but volunteers are asked to stay and help with clean up.

This is a FREE event for all families with young children in Abbotsford. Please help us so we can continue to provide these great opportunities for families.

All volunteers will receive a certificate of appreciation as well as a letter of service indicating the hours spent volunteering. (Great for your resume)

Please contact Dawn Boudreau at Abbotsford Early Childhood Committee as soon as possible if you would like to volunteer, email dawn@uwfv.bc.ca or call 778-880-8513.





Impact

Parent **MERGE** Group

[for caregivers of substance using youth & young adults]

8-week group

TUESDAYS: April 14 – June 2, 6 to 8:00 p.m.

Information or to register, please call (604) 853-1766, email dave@impactabby.com or visit www.impactabby.com.

The Impact **merge** Group strives to provide support, awareness, knowledge and skills for caregivers.

Topics

- Understanding Substance Use
- Adolescent Development
- Communication
- Boundaries
- Crisis Management
- Self-Care
- Guest Speakers (e.g. Child & Youth Mental Health, Abbotsford Police, Parent Alumni)
- Youth/adult Connection Point

Monthly follow-up facilitated peer support group available for all Parent MERGE Group alumni.



NOTE: Youth do not need to be engaged in Impact services for Parent/Caregivers to attend this group or receive other services.

Major Funding Provided by:



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Vancouver community board™



April 15, 2015, Abbotsford, BC | Discover Skills BC will be at the Skills BC Provincial Competition in Abbotsford to launch "Show Us Your #Skillfie" – an Instagram contest aimed at BC high school students. To enter students simply snap a "selfie" or a "skillfie" of themselves doing a trade or technology, post it on Instagram, share why it's their favourite skill and then tag the photo #skillfie.

Each week one student will be selected to win a \$100 iTunes gift card. The contest is open to BC high school students age 13 to 18 who are currently enrolled in a registered BC high school. The contest runs from April 15 to May 26, 2015.

"This is a great way to engage students in the exciting world of skilled trades and technology careers," states Jim Reed, president, BC Colleges. "The demand for graduates with skilled trades and technology education continues to grow, this contest is a perfect and a fun way for students to open their minds to these in demand careers."

Discover Skills BC provides students, educators and parents with relevant and up to date information on skilled trades and technology education and careers. The [web portal](#) has over 40 videos of students working in trades and technologies, profiles on trades and technology careers and materials for educators to introduce trades and technology careers to students in the classroom. Students, parents and educators can discover these opportunities on the Discover Skills BC web portal [here](#).

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Take a hike for hospice

What we do

Abbotsford Hospice Society supports people living with a terminal illness. We run programs to support children, teens and adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. Services offered by our staff and trained volunteers include one-to-one companionship, support groups and a materials for all ages, to help the dying, the caregiver and the bereaved.

Why we hike

Many people walk together to support each other and remember a loved one.

Register online

It's easy to join us at abbotsfordhospice.org. You will be able to direct your family and friends to join your team or to pledge to support you.

Collect pledges

Use this pledge form to collect pledges which you can bring to us on the morning of the hike.

Ask others to join you

Abbotsford Hospice knows the value of people coming together to honour a loved one and support family and friends.

100% of all funds raised in our community stay in our community!



Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association
Association canadienne de soins palliatifs



Sunday May 3 /// 2015
Mill Lake Park, Abbotsford BC
abbotsfordhospice.org/hike

Join our team of volunteers

Our Volunteers...

- have a wide range of life experiences and skills;
- are trained by professional Hospice staff;
- are sensitive to cultural diversity;
- protect the privacy of clients and their families;
- are compassionate companions to those who are at the end of life;
- provide emotional support in hospital or at home;
- provide support to families, extended families, caregivers and friends.

Please support
our local sponsors:



ABBOTSFORD
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6TH ANNUAL FRASER FAMILY FORUM

**Free
Event!**

(no childcare
provided)



Saturday, May 2, 2015

8:30am – 12:30pm

Cascade Community Church

35190 Delair Road, Abbotsford

8:30 am: Registration

9:00 am: Welcome by The FORCE Society for Kids' Mental Health

9:10 am: 'Things Our Kids Teach Us' - Martin W. Bartel MTS-C, RMFT, RCC - Martin is currently a Community Services Manager for the Ministry of Children and Family Development. He holds a Masters degree in Theological Studies in Counselling and has been providing clinical therapy in his private practice since 1996. As parents, Martin and his wife have navigated with their children the journey to adulthood. He is an adoptive parent and brings all his personal and clinical knowledge and experience to his life and work.

Martin will lead an interactive presentation to parents in understanding personal parenting responses while maintaining personal well-being during times when children are struggling to find their way. Based on his personal learnings, his clinical experience, and his academic perspective he will provide options or interacting with children and youth while celebrating and enjoying who they are.

10:10 am: Break with complimentary light refreshments

10:30 am: 'Emotional Coaching For Families' - Natasha Files - Natasha Files is a lover of people, student of life, and holds the unwavering belief that families are key to optimal wellness. Currently working as an individual and family therapist, both in government and private practice, Natasha's favourite part of her work is teaching workshops to parents and families, specifically about the impact of emotion and emotion avoidance on health.

Families have healing power across the life span. During this two hour presentation, parents and caregivers will be taught practical skills and techniques that can be used to support their loved one's healing journey, regardless of his/her age and/or motivation for change. Parents and caregivers will also be supported to work through their own fears and emotional reactions that will no doubt arise throughout this challenging road towards recovery and wellness.

12:30 pm: Closing and thank you

Seating is limited, so RSVP's are required – please use this link to register for free:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/6th-annual-fraser-family-forum-tickets-16588005170>

More information can be found at <http://www.forcesociety.com/education>

if you don't have internet access, please phone: 604-878-3400

This event made possible with funding from the Ministry of Children and Family Development



All Call For Secondary School Apprentices

Grade 10, 11, 12 students: Are you currently working in a trade?

For example, are you working 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.itahc.ca>



For more information, visit www.abbotsfordcareerprograms.com