



Sept. 17, 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

I would like to welcome everyone back for a new year here at ATSS. I trust your summer went well and it is good to see our returning students. We have had a bit of a challenge again with our Student Information System as the entire province switched over to a new system this year. This has again caused some delay in getting our students' requests for course changes completed. Unfortunately not every desired change can be accommodated as our timetable is limited by space and options. But Mr. Abernethy and Mrs. Faber, our counsellors, have been working hard to accommodate our students and their wishes.

This past Tues. our Gr. 9s have been away at a day camp where they are working on team building and ATSS culture building. We have been looking forward to this opportunity to spend some time with our new incoming students helping them to feel connected to our school in a meaningful way.

Despite the security threat we began our first full day with we have had an awesome start to the year. The threat we experienced turned out to be from an entirely unrelated event where someone targeted schools in the area as a result of online conflict. I am very much looking forward to this year with all of its challenges and successes.

A couple of upcoming dates to be aware of. Our first collaboration day will be this Fri. Sept. 18 where our school will start an hour later. If you are not able to make other arrangements for drop off we can accommodate your child until classes begin at 9:05. This schedule will happen every other week.

We have a meet the teacher evening on Thurs. Sept. 24. This is a great time for you to meet the teachers of your son or daughter. We will be doing something a little different this year as we will begin with a pizza supper where you can casually meet your son or daughters' teachers before travelling to their classrooms. We will begin at 6 pm with pizza then a short introduction before sending you with your child to tour their teachers' classrooms where you can receive more specific information. We will be all done by 7:30 pm. For the pizza supper we will need you to reply to the office if you plan to attend and with how many, so that we can order the right amount of food. This is a time to be introduced to the teacher and the course that they are teaching, it is **not** a time for finding out how your child is doing individually as there will be no time. If you wish for a detailed review of your son or daughter's progress, you can arrange for a meeting after school at your convenience.

This same day, Thurs. Sept. 24 will be school picture day as well. We will be sending home order forms prior to this day. Notice that the photography companies will be asking for a \$3.00 fee to cover the cost of the pictures as they are no longer able to make money on selling packages due to digital media changes.

The following week will have a Pro-D day on Fri. Sept. 25 and there will be no classes for our students.

We are anticipating a great year and remind you that if you have any questions or concerns please let us know. You can contact me directly at glen_hildebrand@sd34.bc.ca or phone the school at 604-850-7029.

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
Carlton Haak	3250

Teaching Staff

Elizabeth Cousar	3141
Brock Currie	3252
Jim Domke	5164/5107
Shawn Fedyna	3251
Grant Gasser	1114/1116
Kim Hunt	5107
Joel Janzen	3138
Stephan Kauffmann	3238
Sharon Kehoe	5171
Sandy Lane	3248
Alain Lariviere	1103
Frank Muermann	3137
Tamara O'Brien	5173
Kristina Recktenwald	3236
Elizabeth Smoes	3136
Olga Ulyasheva	3240
Janet Wade	1121

Learning Assistance

Phyllis Collins	3135
Tracy Elliot	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

Christina	1110
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Youth Worker

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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

Sept. 18	Collaboration Day
Sept. 24	Meet the Teacher
Sept. 25	Non-Instructional Day #1
Oct. 9	Collaboration Day
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 22	2-hour Early Dismissal
Oct. 23	Non-Instructional Day #2
Oct. 30	Collaboration Day
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day
Nov. 13	Collaboration Day / Term 1 Ends
Nov. 20	Report Cards Issued
Nov. 26	Parent-Teacher Conferences <small>(no classes for students)</small>
Nov. 27	Non-Instructional Day #3
Dec. 4	Collaboration Day
Dec. 18	Collaboration Day
Dec. 21 - 31	Christmas Vacation
Jan. 4	School Re-opens
Jan. 15	Collaboration Day
Jan. 25-29	In-School/Provincial Exams
Jan. 29	Collaboration Day
Jan. 29	Term 2 Ends
Feb. 5	Report Cards Issued
Feb. 8	Family Day
Feb. 12	Collaboration Day
Feb. 19	Non-Instructional Day #4
Mar. 4	Collaboration Day
Mar. 11	Last day before Spring Vacation
Mar. 14-24	Spring Vacation
Mar. 25	Good Friday
Mar. 28	Easter Monday
Mar. 29	School re-opens after Spring Vacation
April 1	Collaboration Day
April 15	Collaboration Day
April 15	Term 3 Ends
April 22	Report Cards Issued
Apr. 28	2-hour Early Dismissal Day
Apr. 29	Non-Instructional Day #5
May 6	Collaboration Day
May 20	Non-Instructional Day #6
May 23	Victoria Day
May 27	Collaboration Day
June 10	Collaboration Day
June 21	Secondary Last Day of Classes
June 22-24 + 27-28	In-School/Provincial Exams
June 29	Last day for students
June 30	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.



SCHOOL PHOTOS



SEPTEMBER 24th
RETAKES
OCTOBER 16th

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>

1. Annual Terry Fox Run scheduled for Sunday, September 20th 9:45 am at Tradex. It is a 2k, 5k or 10k walk or run so great options for everyone. There are no admission charges or fees. Here is the link to register for run: <http://www.terryfox.org/Run>

2. FRIDAY NITE Basketball Registrations

October 9, 2015 – March 14, 2016 Age 4 to Grade 12 Boys & Girls \$150 Register @ Colleen & Gordie Howe Middle (3174 Clearbrook Rd)

Saturdays – September 12 & 19 10am – 4 pm

for more information e-mail frankt@athletesinaction.com





THURS. EVENING, SEPT. 24, MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT ALL ARE INVITED, HOPED THAT ALL WILL ATTEND

In an effort to enhance our “Parents as Partners” tenet, we are trying something different this year. We are having a unique meet the teacher night on Thurs. evening Sept. 24 from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. We will begin with a pizza supper at 6 pm in the gym for parents, students and teachers. This will provide a chance for you to informally meet the teacher of your son and/or daughter. We will follow this with a short introduction to the evening at 6:45 pm and then time for you as parents and students to attend the classes where your student is attending and hearing about the classroom expectations from each of their teachers from 7 to 7:30 pm. We are hoping you will all come out and get a chance to see the teacher and classroom of your son and/or daughter. **We would ask that you contact the office if you are able to make the pizza supper so that we can adequately plan for enough pizza.** Look forward to seeing you there.



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Register at abbotsford.schoolcashionline.com



Online School Bus Registration now available for the 2015-2016 school year. Please follow the link [School Bus registration](#) to begin the process.



We apologize for any inconvenience, however due to increasing difficulties in depositing anything other than Canadian dollars we will **no longer be accepting American money as of September 2015.**



Dear parent/guardian/student,

Grade 9 is the last year vaccines are offered in the school setting. Public Health encourages families to review their child's vaccine records to ensure all of the provincially recommended vaccines have been received up to this age. Below is the list of recommended publicly funded 'school age' vaccines your child should have received by the end of Grade 9:

Vaccine	Complete series includes
Hepatitis B HealthLinkBCFile25a	2 doses (if 3 doses not received in infancy)
Meningococcal C vaccine HealthLinkBCFile23a	1 dose (after 10 years of age)
Varicella † (chickenpox) HealthLinkBCFile44b	2 doses †
HPV (girls only) (human papillomavirus) HealthLinkBCFile101b	2 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) HealthLinkBCFile14a	2 doses
Tdap †† (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) HealthLinkBCFile18c	1 dose ††

† Children who had chickenpox or shingles disease at 1 year of age or older do not need the chickenpox vaccine.

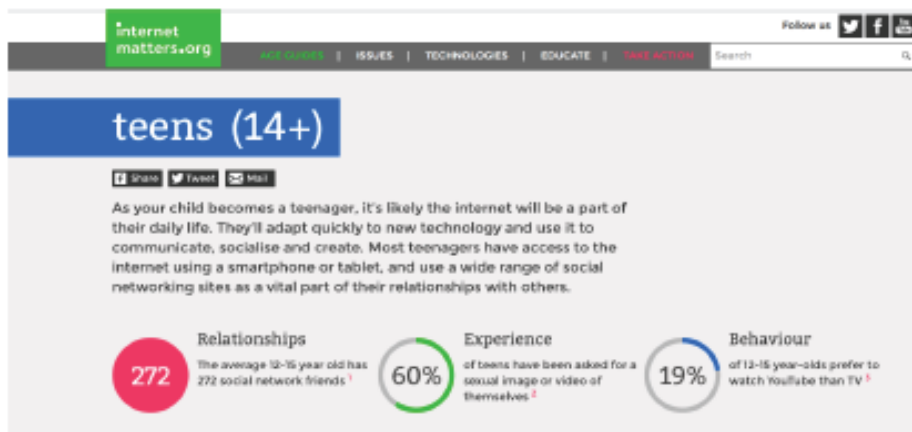
†† Children should already have received a primary series of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Polio prior to school entry

Because of changes to the immunization schedule and recommended number of doses for varicella, your child may not have received a second dose of varicella vaccine. If your child is missing any of the recommended immunizations, please contact your Doctor, pharmacy, or local Health Unit to make an appointment. These immunizations are provided free of charge.

After Grade 9, recommended routine adult immunizations include Td (tetanus, diphtheria) every 10 years and influenza immunization annually. For more information on childhood and adult immunizations, please visit: <http://www.fraserhealth.ca/your-health/immunizations/> or <http://www.immunizebc.ca/>

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Hope HU Tel: 604-860-7830	Langley HU Tel: 604-539-2900	Maple Ridge HU Tel: 604-478-7000	Mission HU Tel: 604-814-5500	New Westminster HU Tel: 604-777-8740	Tricities HU, Port Moody Tel: 604-949-7200
Newton HU, Surrey Tel: 604-592-2000	North Delta HU Tel: 604-507-5400	North Surrey HU Tel: 604-587-7900	South Delta HU Tel: 604-952-3550	White Rock HU Tel: 604-542-4000	

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Please Review this Site

For the following helpful resources on:

Cyber-Bullying, Online Pornography, Privacy & Identity Theft, Inappropriate Content, Self-Harm, Online Grooming, Online Reputation, Sexting, Chatting, Going Mobile, Social Networking, Apps Guide, Online Gaming, Parental Controls, Age Guides.

Mr. Abemethy

ATSS Counsellor

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