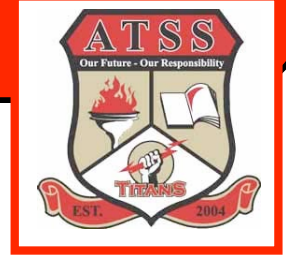


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# ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL



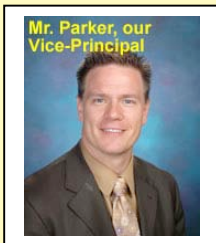
## Principal's Message

**PRINCIPAL:**  
GLEN HILDEBRAND



Mr. Hildebrand, our  
Principal

**VICE PRINCIPAL:**  
JASON PARKER



Mr. Parker, our  
Vice-Principal

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**OFFICE HOURS**

7:30 A – 3:30 P

**SECRETARIES:**

MRS. SUDERMAN  
MS. DICER  
MRS. MANGAT

OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.ATSS.CA](http://WWW.ATSS.CA)

Well, exams are over and we are now off to a smooth second semester as students adjust to their new classes. Your son or daughter should be bringing home their report card on Fri, Feb. 9. Any course changes for the second semester must be done by Thurs. Feb. 15. as no further changes are allowed after that date.

We will be doing course planning for next year with our students at the end of this month so you should have a course planning form coming home to you from your son or daughter before the end of Feb. for your signature. You will notice that we have added a Pre-AP, (Advanced Placement), component to our course options. In striving for increasing program excellence, we are beginning to develop the Advanced Placement program here at ATSS. The advantage of offering the AP program is to provide further academic challenge to our students while at the same time granting first year university credit for that particular course at the Gr. 12 level for students who achieve a certain level on the AP exam. You will see on the course planning form that we are offering two pre-AP courses in Gr. 10, Math and English. As our numbers grow, we will be able to expand this into the senior grades.

The course planning forms must be signed by you as parents and we will need these to come back as soon as possible. It is important that they are returned as this declares your intention to return to ATSS next year and gives you first pick of the elective courses available. If you are not planning on attending for next year please let our office staff know as we will be moving to the wait list later in the spring. We are looking forward to expanding our programs as we grow next year.

Sincerely,  
Mr. G. Hildebrand

**Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up:**

We have had a request from our business neighbors across the street, (west-side), to not park there for student drop-off and pick-up. They are very concerned about both the safety of students walking through the area with commercial vehicles around and the loss of use of the parking lot for their customers. If you could please either use the street parking lanes or the school parking areas for this. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

**LAPTOP AND FEES UPDATE:**

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW THE RECENT COURT RULING ON SCHOOL FEES HAS PROVIDED SOME CHALLENGE FOR OUR LAPTOP PROGRAM. AFTER RECEIVING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE, THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS ASKED THAT WE AS A SCHOOL COMMUNITY FIND A SOLUTION TO HOW THE PROGRAM MAY LOOK HERE AT ATSS FOR NEXT YEAR. ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT WANT TO LOSE THE GAINED BENEFIT OF SUCH A PROGRAM, THE RECENT COURT AND BOARD RULINGS MEANS WE WILL HAVE TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT HOW THIS PROGRAM WILL FIT WITHIN THOSE CONSTRAINTS. WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER A COMMITTEE OF PARENTS; TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS TO FURTHER EXPLORE THIS ISSUE. YOUR PARENT REPRESENTATIVES ARE MRS. STRUKOFF , SPC, MR. DRAAYERS AND MRS. VERRAULT, PAC, MR. ENNIS, MRS. DEWAR AND MR. MACPHAIL, TEACHERS AND MYSELF, PRINCIPAL. WE WILL BE SEEKING FURTHER INPUT FROM ALL OUR STAKEHOLDER GROUPS, (PARENTS, STUDENTS AND TEACHERS), IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO DURING THIS PROCESS. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU AS BEST AS WE CAN.

SINCERELY  
GLEN HILDEBRAND

International, ESL and First Nations students of ATSS will be visiting Grouse Mountain on Wed. Feb. 28th. Activities include skating, snowshoeing and a visit to a First Nations Feast House. The bus will depart from ATSS promptly at 8:10 AM and return to the school at 3:45 PM



### An Invitation to Parents and Community Members

The Abbotsford School District invites parents and interested community members to attend a focus group discussion on English as a Second language (Esl) service in the district. The discussion is on february 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, 2790 Tims Street Abbotsford, B.C.

## Dress Code News

### Uniform Sale

**Stockroom clear out: We will be clearing out the excess stock from the Dress Code Den. All merchandise the school will no longer be carrying will be discounted. Sale runs Feb 12-16, 2:00-3:00 daily. All sales are final, no exchanges or returns. Cash or Cheque accepted.**

**JTB Services: JTB has an overstock of Adult Large Gym Shirts and is clearing them out at \$7.00 each, tax included. Orders submitted between Feb 9 & 16 will qualify while supply is available. To order please fill out an order form in the school office and attach payment. Your student will be contacted when the orders arrive.**

**also**

**Feb 12-16 will be last chance to check the lost and found. Any unclaimed items will be taken to charity.**



### **Dress Code Reminder:**

**Students are reminded that they are expected to adhere to the dress code whenever they are on campus or out in the community for school sponsored events. During provincial exams, for example, students need to arrive to school in crested wear for study sessions or to write tests. Likewise, students on field trips or playing away games at other schools are required to be in uniform.**

# ATSS CALENDAR



Dates to Remember

<b>IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:</b>	
<b>TERM II, SEMESTER ONE END</b>	<b>FEB 2<sup>ND</sup></b>
<b>SEMESTER TURNAROUND</b>	<b>FEB 2<sup>ND</sup></b>
<b>SEMESTER TWO START</b>	<b>FEB 5<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>TRIP TO PARIS MEETING</b>	<b>FEB 6<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>ONE HOUR EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS</b>	<b>FEB 7 &amp; 8<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>REPORT CARDS SENT HOME</b>	<b>FEB 9<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY</b>	<b>FEB 16<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>FIELD TRIP ESL</b>	<b>FEB 28<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION</b>	<b>MAR 8<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>COMPENSATION DAYS - NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>MARCH 12 - 16<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>SPRING VACATION</b>	<b>MARCH 19 - 23<sup>RD</sup></b>
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>EASTER MONDAY</b>	<b>APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>TERM I, SEMESTER II END</b>	<b>APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>REPORT CARDS SENT HOME</b>	<b>APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS</b>	<b>MAY 3<sup>RD</sup></b>
<b>CAFÉ MUSIC CONCERT</b>	<b>MAY 7<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>BAND AND CHOIR FIELDTRIP</b>	<b>MAY 10-12<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>VICTORIA DAY</b>	<b>MAY 21<sup>ST</sup></b>
<b>SS FAIR &amp; MUSIC PERFORMANCE</b>	<b>MAY 24<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>GRADUATION CEREMONY</b>	<b>MAY 31<sup>ST</sup></b>
<b>GRAD PROM AND LOCK IN</b>	<b>JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup></b>
<b>FIRST NATIONS/INT. FIELD TRIP</b>	<b>JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>MUSIC CONCERT</b>	<b>JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>YEAR END AWARDS CEREMONY</b>	<b>JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>SEMESTER TWO EXAMS</b>	<b>JUNE 20 - 28<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>REPORT CARDS PICK UP</b>	<b>JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup></b>

A REMINDER THAT TAMPERING WITH SCHOOL COMPUTERS BY ADDING AND/OR REMOVING COMPONENTS WILL VOID THE COMPUTER WARRANTY AND COULD RESULT IN STUDENTS BEING HELD FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DANGER.



INTERESTED IN TRIP TO JAPAN??? SEE MR. FEDYNA FOR MORE INFORMATION FOR A TRIP IN 2008



A FREE PARENTING SERIES, "UPBRINGING OF A CHILD" IN PUNJABI IS BEING OFFERED AT THE CLEARBROOK LIBRARY. EVERY MONDAY TILL MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup> FROM 6 - 8 PM. TOPICS DISCUSSED INCLUDE COMMUNICATION, CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND FORMING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS.

**ATSS Dress Code 2006/07**



**Boys:**

- Zippered Hoodie-gathered waist, with school crest..... Black
- Golf Shirt, with school crest.....Black & Beige
- Pants, dress casual, preferably Dickies brand (cords are acceptable)..Black & Beige
- Walking shorts, dress casual, preferably Dickies brand.....Black & Beige

**Girls:**

- Zippered Hoodie-straight waist, with school crest..... Black
- Shirt-Short Sleeve, with school crest.....Black, Red & Beige
- Golf Shirt, with school crest.....Black & Red
- Tank Top, only for layering under uniform.....Black & Red
- Pants, dress casual, preferably Dickies Brand. (cords are acceptable)..Black & Beige
- Capris, dress casual, .....Black & Beige
- Walking Shorts, dress casual, knee length.....Black & Beige
- Skirt, A line or straight, no shorter than knee length.....Black & Beige

**Unisex Items:**

- Hoodie-Non Zippered, with school crest.....Black
- Sweatshirt, with school crest..... Black & Beige
- Polo, with school crest.....Black & Red

**PE Strip:**

- PE Shorts, with school crest.....Black
- PE Shirt, with school crest..... White
- PE Sweatpants, with school crest..... Black

**Restrictions:**

- All tops must have the school crest.
- Pants, shorts, capris and skirts are not to have cargo pockets, zip off legs, chains, or other ornamentation, (Dickies cell phone pocket is OK). They are to be plain in style and appearance and conform to a dress pant style. No leggings, rugby pants, etc...
- Boys are allowed to wear white undershirts provided they do not hang out the bottom of their polo shirt.
- Girls are allowed to layer tank tops under their blouse provided they are red or black, no lace trim on bottom hem.
- No skin showing at mid section.
- All shorts and skirts must be at least knee length.
- Gym Strip is not to be worn in classes other than gym.
- Sweatpants are a gym strip item only, not to be worn in classes other than gym.

CANADA REMEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU OF THE UPCOMING EVENT *THE LIFE OF A CANADIAN SOLDIER*

Event Location: **BC Place Stadium**

777 Pacific Boulevard, Vancouver, B.C.

Pavilion Location: **BC Place Stadium – Lot 346**

The Canada Pavilion will be one of 450 exhibitors participating at this event.

Canada Pavilion -Veterans

Affairs exhibit:

*The Life of a Canadian Soldier* is a 20-minute theatrical re-enactment that uses vignettes, artifacts and the personal memories of Veterans to portray what it was like during the First World War as the Allies overtook the German hold of Vimy Ridge. It captures wartime experiences, and conveys them in a uniquely powerful and interactive way.

BC Home & Garden Show

Ticket Prices:

Adults: \$13.00

Seniors (65+): \$10.00

Students: \$5.00

Children (6 & under): Free

Canada Pavilion Dates &

event business hours:

**Wednesday, February 21 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.**

- Shows at 4:00, 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 p.m.

**Thursday, February 22 from noon to 10 p.m.**

- Shows at 1:00, 2:30, 4:00 and 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, February 23 from noon to 10 p.m.**

- Shows at 1:00, 2:30, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, February 24 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

- Shows at 12:00, 2:00, 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, February 25 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

- Shows at 11:00 am, 1:00, 3:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Canada Pavilion Official

Opening:

**Wednesday, February 21 at 4 p.m.**

The AD/HD Parent Support Group is meeting 7 – 9 p.m. Thursday, February 15/07  
at 102-32885 Ventura Ave Abbotsford.  
Debra Sherman will be speaking on *AD/HD and Co-existing Disorders.*  
Please join us for this informative session.  
Contact Leona Fountain for more information. 604-852-2686 ext 246

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PHONE THE SCHOOL OFFICE WHEN YOUR STUDENT IS ABSENT OR LATE. ALSO STUDENTS WISHING TO LEAVE CAMPUS AT LUNCH HOUR MUST BE APPROVED BY ATSS ADMINISTRATION PLUS A PARENTS CONSENT.



DEAR PARENTS,

ABBOTSFORD TRADITIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL IS CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN THE CAMPBELL'S® LABELS FOR EDUCATION™ PROGRAM, AND WITH YOUR HELP, OUR SCHOOL CAN EARN FREE MERCHANDISE FOR OUR SCHOOL.

PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM IS SIMPLE – SAVE LABELS FROM ELIGIBLE CAMPBELL'S® PRODUCTS AND SEND THEM TO THE SCHOOL. PRODUCTS ELIGIBLE FOR REDEMPTION IN THE PROGRAM INCLUDE:

- CAMPBELL'S® SOUPS – INCLUDING CHUNKY, READY TO ENJOY AND CONDENSED SOUPS, AND READY TO ENJOY BROTHS.
- CAMPBELL'S® CHUNKY CHILI
- PEPPERIDGE FARM GOLDFISH CRACKERS
- V8®
- SELECTED CAMPBELL'S® FOODSERVICE PRODUCTS

TRIPLE YOUR EFFORTS BY ASKING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO COLLECT LABELS ON BEHALF OF OUR SCHOOL!

DON'T FORGET TO VISIT [WWW.LABELSFOREDUCATION.CA](http://WWW.LABELSFOREDUCATION.CA) FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS AND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. TOGETHER WITH CAMPBELL'S® LABELS FOR EDUCATION™ – WE CAN HELP PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL AND OUR KIDS – ONE LABEL AT A TIME.

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