



May 2024

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Principal: Mrs. Sidhu • Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Juulsen

Principal's Message

Dear parents and guardians,

As we enter the month of May, we want to express our gratitude for your ongoing support and cooperation. It has been a joy to see our students grow and learn throughout the year, and we are proud of all their achievements.

Congratulations to the following April Star Students:

Div 1: Lucas and Desi
Div 2: Maverick and Jose
Div 3: Scarlett and Austin
Div 4: Aurea and Kiran
Div 5: Blake

We also want to give a special shout out to Lenny, Cheyanne, Gurdiya and Huynh for their presentations at the School Board Office.

Please remember to mark your calendars for our upcoming events, including May Day and end-of-year celebrations. We appreciate your involvement in our school community and look forward to celebrating together.

With gratitude,

Kam Sidhu

Passion Projects

On June 13 and the 19th, we will have our students participate in passion projects.

If you have an approved Criminal Record Check and would like to share your creative talents with our students (carpentry, pickle ball, knitting etc.), please connect with your child's classroom teacher.

We would love for you to share your talents with our students.

May Events

- May 2** Singing Club
- May 3** PAC Meeting 1:15 & Movie Night
- May 5** Cinco De Mayo & Red Dress Day
- May 6** After school baking club
- May 7** Div.4/5 Field trip to Greendale Farm
Bulldog Awards
Maypole Practice
Teacher Appreciation Day
- May 8** Popcorn Day
- May 10** Pasta Hot lunch & Maypole Practice
- May 12** Happy Mother's Day
- May 14** Div.1 Field Trip & Maypole Practice
- May 15** Intramural Students Pizza Party
- May 16** Singing Club
- May 17** Non-instructional day
- May 20** Victoria Day
- May 21** Maypole Practice
- May 23** Singing
- May 24** Maypole Practice
- May 25** May Day
- May 30** Parent Appreciation Tea
Singing Club
- May 31** Freezie Treat Day

Save The Date!

**June 25, 2024
Grade 5 Celebration
11:15 Gym**





PARENT ADVISORY

Parent Advisory Committee

Our PAC is an integral part of our school community. Parents are partners in education, and we value your feedback and support for school activities. PAC works with the school to set

Maypole Practices

3:05-4:05 PM

May 3rd, 7th, 10th, 14th, 21st, 24th
Performance May 25th



PAC Hot Lunches

Save the dates!

May 10 - Pasta
June 20 - Hot Dog & Chips

PAC Committee 2023-24

President:

Jocelyn Radom

Vice President:

Elva Lottenbach

Treasurer:

Ravina Gill

Secretary:

Elyse Schroeder

Volunteer Co-ordinator:

Danica Neufeldt

Hot Lunch Co-ordinator:

Jennifer Nadon

DPAC Rep & May Day:

Diana Madden

Meeting & Minutes

Please check website

Follow PAC on Facebook:

Bradner Elementary Parents' Facebook group

May Day Volunteers

Calling all volunteers!
Contact PAC for ways you can help!



Singing Club

Thursdays

3:15-4:15 PM



Baking Club

May 6- Ham and cheese pockets

June 7- Stained glass cookies



Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6-10

Send your child's teacher a message of gratitude! Next week is teacher appreciation week!

Popcorn Days

Save the dates!

May 8

Jun. 5





Be Prepared!

The changes in weather means that we are expected to have lots of puddles and plenty of mud!

Please ensure that your child is bringing appropriate clothing for the varying weather patterns.

If you have not done so, please send a change of clothes clearly labelled with your child. **All students from Kindergarten to Grade 5** should have an extra pair of clothes at school. Including socks! This will save you a trip to the school!



**BRADNER ELEMENTARY'S
PLAYGROUND
Fundraiser!**

\$42,315 PIRATE SHIP

\$17,000 PAC FUNDS

DONATE VIA:
[HTTPS://BRADNER.ABBSCHOOLS.CA/DONATE-BRADNER-ELEMENTARY-SCHOOL](https://bradner.abbschools.ca/donate-bradner-elementary-school)
MESSAGE: BRADNER PLAYGROUND FUND

Donate

If you would like to send a donation to our school, please click the following link. In the message area, please specify what the donation is for (for example, updating the playground) please click the following link to donate:

[Donate Now](#)

Criminal Record Checks

All volunteers with the Abbotsford School District must complete a Criminal Record Check. Criminal record checks are good for five years (the duration of your child's elementary school experience). Please note that all Criminal Record checks can take up to six weeks. If you would like to volunteer, visit the School Board Office with 2 pieces of ID.

The School Board Office is located at **2790 Tims Street**.

Call ahead to book your appointment @ **604.859.4891**

Volunteers

Volunteers are always welcome! If you would like to volunteer this year, please be sure to fill out a volunteer application package. All volunteers are required to have a Criminal Record Check (CRC) with the district. Please book your appointment with the district 604-859-4891 to apply for a CRC.

Kids Zone Preschool &

Before and After School Care

Did you know that not only do we have a before and after school care program, but we also have a preschool inside Bradner!

Preschool

9:15-2:15 PM

Before & After School Care

Hours: 7:00-9:05 & 3:05-5:00

Family Supports:

We understand that over the past few years, many families have faced a number of challenges, struggling financially with work closures, child care costs, environmental factors etc.

If your family requires any additional supports from our school community, such as food bank services, or food security for your child(ren), or additional time or support to pay for supplies, hot lunch days, or special events, please do not hesitate to contact the office. This information is kept completely confidential.

For hot lunch orders we can extend the date for hot lunch payment for families who require additional time to purchase, as well as split up the costs so that you may pay for one lunch at a time, versus all at once.



Medical Forms

If your child has a life-threatening allergy/condition, please make sure to email our school at:

bradner@abbyschools.ca to ensure that you have all the correct paperwork filled out. This includes children required to take medication such as asthma puffers or prescription medication.

Food Security Programs

School Lunch Program

The School Lunch program provides lunch for students who come to school hungry. The program is intended to help feed children from homes where parents are struggling to provide food for their families. If you feel that your child (ren) qualify to be placed on the School Lunch program, please contact the school office or email Mrs. Sidhu @ Kamaljit.sidhu@abbyschools.ca This information will remain confidential.

Starfish Back Pack Program

The program is organized by Archway Food Bank with the coordination of many community partnerships. The purpose of the program is to support families in need with food on weekends. Each student is given a pack with basic groceries (ex. cereal, soups, rice, bread, tuna, snacks, and a few fresh fruits and a vegetable), that is prepared and delivered to our school by a group of volunteers.

Walking Forms & Photo Consent Forms

Please complete any additional forms that were sent to you including photography consent, and walking field trip forms.





When should students stay home?

Please keep students at home when they are sick. Families can use the following link to determine when it is safe to come back to school: K-12 Health Check (gov.bc.ca) or call 8-1-1.



If Students Become Sick At School:

If a student becomes sick while at school, the office will contact the student's parent/caregiver with a request to have their child picked up as soon as possible.

Contact Us

Phone: 604.856.3304

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Stay Up To Date

<https://bradner.abbyschools.ca/>

Download the Abbyschools App and follow Bradner Elementary

You can report your child's absence in 3 convenient ways via:

- 1) School Messenger App Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the [Apple App Store](#) or the [Google Play Store](#). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- 2) Safe Arrival Website Using the SafeArrival website, go to: go.schoolmessenger.ca The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- 3) Toll-Free Number Call 1-844-487-3701 to report an absence using the automated phone system.



These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week.

Future absences can be reported at any time.

With School Cash Online, parents have the convenient and secure option of paying for school items using their credit card online or chequing account, 24/7. You can pay for school items such as trips, club/athletic fees. It will save you time too! To access online payments, please register at:

abbotsford.schoolcashonline.com; it takes less than five minutes. Registered parents/guardians can see their payment history, print receipts, and receive email notifications whenever new student fees are posted for their child.