

Newsletter



Alexander
Elementary School

September 2022

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Welcome back! I hope everyone had a chance to rest, recharge, & enjoy time with family and friends this summer. We are so happy you have trusted us to be partners with you in your child's educational journey. We have the best students!

We want everyone to feel safe and comfortable at school. We will continue to encourage regular hand washing and ask that you still keep your child home if they are ill. If students become ill at school we will call home and ask that you please pick them up.

We are in full swing already. Students have been placed in their classes and will come home today and tell you who their teacher is.

Alexander is such a great community. We ask that you help us reinforce the S.O.A.R. commitment. Show respect, Others Matter, Achieve Success and Responsible Choices.

Tara Plantinga
Principal



Calendar of Events

Sept. 12 Food Drive Starts

Sept. 13 PAC meeting 8:30am

Sept. 16 Bread Pick Up at 1:30pm

Sept. 22 Cops for Cancer Drive through 11:56am

Sept. 22 Meet the Teacher night 4:30-5:30 Pizza Provided by PAC

Sept. 23 Bread Pick Up at 1:30pm

Sept. 27 Terry Fox Run 1:15pm (volunteers needed)

Sept. 29 Non - Instructional Day National

Sept. 30 Truth and Reconciliation Day (no school)

Every Friday is Falcon Friday.

Wear your falcon shirt to show your school spirit!

Student Drop off and Pick up

1. Please do not make U-turns on Lobban Road
2. Please do not stop or leave your vehicle in the drop off area
3. Please watch your speed we want to keep everyone safe
4. If you are able, please walk or bike to minimize the amount of cars coming to our site.
5. Do not park or drop off in the back staff lot - it is for staff only

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Food Drive

We are collecting food for the food bank so the shelves will be stocked for Thanksgiving! Please help us reach our goals by sending non perishable food items starting Sept. 12-22. Please remind your students and encourage healthy choices!

The top 5 needed items are pasta and sauce, rice (especially basmati), peanut butter, beans and cereal.

Classes that bring 100 food items will receive popsicles and classes that bring 150 or more will get jumbo freezies.



We are accepting donations in our school from

September 12 to September 22

Canned Meals Stews, soups, baked beans, spaghetti/ravioli, vegetables, spaghetti and pasta sauce	Proteins Nut or peanut butter, canned tuna, salmon, chicken, dried or canned beans, chickpeas, lentils	Grains Any variety of rice, whole grain cereal, pasta, oatmeal, flour
Special Requests include cooking oil, jam, sugar, Diapers in size 5 and 6 (only), Tampons		



DONATE NOW!

Bell Schedule

Warning Bell:	8:27 am
School Starts:	8:32 am
Recess:	10:35am
Recess Ends:	10:50 am
Lunch Eating:	12:20 pm
Lunch Play:	12:35 pm
Warning Bell:	1:00 pm
School Ends:	2:22 pm



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We are so excited to welcome you back this year. There is someone new to our department. Mrs. Fanucchi will be joining Ms. Baye on Tuesdays and Thursdays to provide extra support to our students.

National Truth and Reconciliation Day is on September 30. We wear orange shirts to show our support for residential school survivors. Our school district's commitment is below.

Our Commitment

The Abbotsford School District acknowledges historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous Peoples endure in Canada, and we accept responsibility as a public educational institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as renewing respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching and community engagement.



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Come on out and support our awesome parent group! Check out the Alexander Elementary PAC FaceBook page that has been set up for parents. First meeting is September 13th at 8:30 am. All future meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 8:30am out front or in the library. All are welcome.



On September 22 at 11:56 the Cops for Cancer group will be riding by our school. We are hoping to provide a donation. If you are able to contribute please do so on school cash online.

The **Terry Fox run** is also on Sept. 27 at 1:15 pm and we hope to collect a Toonie for Terry from as many students as possible! This can also be done online.

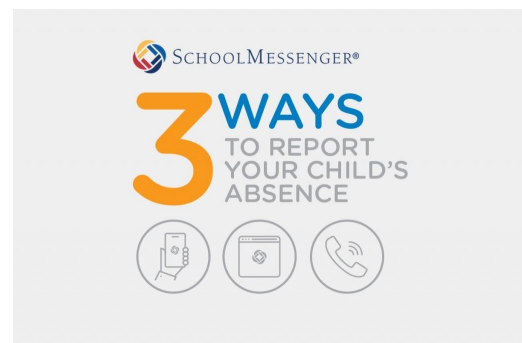
Safe Arrival

Report attendance using SafeArrival powered by School Messenger

It is important for the safety of our students that we know if they've been excused from attending school.

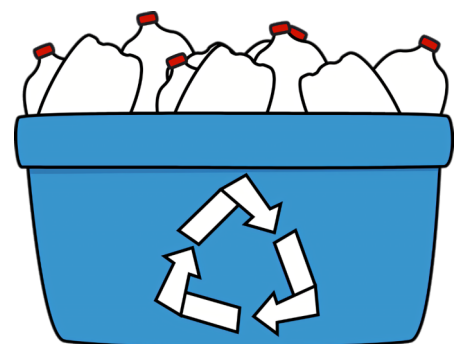
There are three ways you can report them;

- You can download the app using Google PlayStore or the Apple App Store.
- Using the SafeArrival website, go to: go.schoolmessenger.ca
- Call 1-844-487-3701 to report an absence using the automated phone system.



Abbotsford Regional Recycling

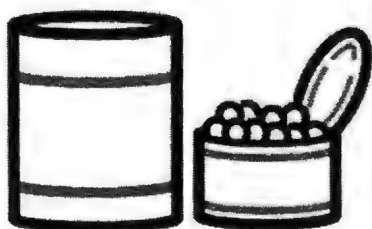
Alexander Elementary has teamed up with ARR to encourage and to bring more awareness to recycling.



BC THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

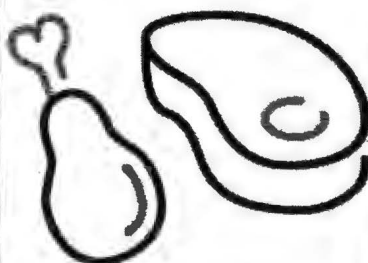
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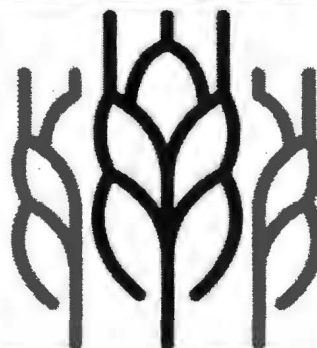
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Grains

Any variety of rice, whole grain cereal, pasta, oatmeal, flour

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DONATE NOW!

Did you know Funds go Further than food donations?

"Every \$1 donated = up to \$3 worth of food."

Donate today and receive a Food Bank charitable donation tax receipt.

For safety and efficiency reasons, Abbotsford School District would like to reduce the amount of cash & cheques coming into our school. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions, so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren).

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the **GET HELP** option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

a) If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <https://abbotsford.schoolcashonline.com> and select the "Get Started Today" option.

b) Complete each of the three Registration Steps
*For Security Reasons your password, requires 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.



Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.



Step 3: Find Student

Note: Student Number is Not Required

This step will connect your children to your account.

- Enter the School Board Name
- Enter the School Name
- Enter Your Child's Name & Birth Date
- Select *Continue*
- On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select *Continue*
- Your child has been added to your account

Find Student

School Information

School Board Name: School Board 1575

Looking for a student in a different school board? ☐

School Name: Eagle High School

Student Information

Do you have the student number? ☐

Student Number:

First Name:

Last Name:

Birth Date:
Date format: mm/dd/yyyy

Continue

(No students? [Click here](#))

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" option and repeat the steps above. 5 children can be added to one parent account.

If you do not wish to add additional children, select "View Items For Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

Note: all information is stored on a confidential basis on a server in Canada.