

BRADNER ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

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BRADNER SCHOOL GOALS:

Teaching our students to set learning goals, reflect on their individual progress towards goals and their ability to self-assess their achievement of these goals.

Principal's Message



This week Bradner students participated in Syos:ys week. This Halq'eméylem word means "friends working together" and is a week of learning around Aboriginal culture and history. Students participated in workshops around Aboriginal games, social dances, the Indigenous Peoples' use of plants and animals, Metis and Inuit Cultures, rock painting, and a variety of aboriginal stories, among other things. Students enjoyed each workshop, and feedback from them about their learning has been very positive. All workshops were taught by presenters from Abbotsford School District's Aboriginal Department, and they brought to Bradner an enthusiasm about sharing their culture that really paid off. We are so grateful to have had this opportunity!

Thank you.

Mrs. Jordan
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:



April 18th – Early Dismissal @ 2:05
April 19th – Good Friday – **No School**
April 22nd – Easter Monday – **No School**
April 24th – Run for Water kick off Assembly
April 25th – Gr. 3 Sto:lo Long House
April 26 – Spirit Day (Hat Day)
May 1 – Bulldog Assembly @ 11:00
May 2nd – Nights of Music @ Abby Arts



May Pole Dance Team

Permission slips will be coming home shortly and practices will take place at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays on May 7, 9, 14, and 16th as needed. Your child **MUST BE** present at the **May Day Celebrations** to perform the dance on **Monday, May 20th** @ Bradner Elementary School by 9:15 a.m., for the 10:00 a.m., Parade and Opening Ceremonies. *(This takes place on Victoria Day Long Weekend)*



Bulldog Assembly

Our next Bradner Bulldog Assembly will take place on **Wednesday, May 1, 2019 @ 11:00 am, in the school gym.**

Spirit Day – Friday, April 26



Our next Spirit Day will take place on Friday, April 26.

Don't forget to wear and enjoy a hat of your choice and style. Isn't it great that hats come in all shapes, sizes, colors, and styles?

There's one to fit every size head and personality. So mark your calendar and don't forget yours on **Friday, April 26.**

Thank You to our Volunteers!

Thank you to Jamie Acton and Jereme Butter for organizing all the clothing bags and loading them onto the truck for the Cash 4 Clothes Fundraiser.

To Mrs. Amanda McAllister for organizing the School Supply Fundraiser and making sure it was distributed in time for the Ready, Set, Learn event.

Thank you to all those who dropped off their used clothing for the Cash 4 Clothes fundraiser.

To our Noon Hour Supervisors, for braving the wet temperatures this time of the year, in order to assist in the supervision and safety of students in and around the school during the recess breaks



Run for Water - Thursday, May 9th

Bradner Elementary will be participating in the Run for Water.

The Students will all be participating in the Run for Water as part of their Physical Education module.



On **Thursday, May 9th @ 11:00 am**, the entire school will go outside and take part in this event on school grounds.

Nights of Music -

Students in Division 1 and 2 are busy rehearsing for the upcoming School District Nights of Music, Thursday, May 2nd at 7 p.m. @ Abby Arts Centre. Our students will be playing handbells as part of a wonderful evening of music. (Students are to arrive @ 6:30pm and should wear any combination of black & white.)



Nights of Music is a wonderful time for schools to share their music with each other and the community. This exciting event is put on by The Abbotsford Music Educators' Association and supported by the Abbotsford School District. Not only do students have an opportunity to perform, but they also have the chance to see what other schools are doing. Each evening features a wonderful variety of groups; recorders, classroom/school choirs, jazz ensembles, handbells, ORFF instruments and bands. These evenings give the students, parents, and teachers an ideal opportunity to find out what's happening in their area, as well as help students see what is in store for them once they reach middle and secondary school.

The \$2.00 audience admission fees support the AMEA Music Scholarship Fund for Abbotsford Students.

Mark this date on your Calendar

INDOOR SHOES REQUIRED:

As per **Student Dress Code** located in the **Student Hand Book** – "Shoes are to be worn at all times. Students are required to have a pair of **outside shoes** and a pair of **non-marking indoor** running shoes for the gym and classroom. Due to health concerns, bare feet are not permitted at any time."



Cash 4 Clothes fundraiser - Grade 5 Students



A special thank you to all those who dropped off their used clothing (items, etc.), and to the parents and students who organized the bagging of these items. **Division 1 - Grade 5 students are very thankful for all those who participated in this fundraiser which helped to raise funds for their Grade 5 Year-end Victoria fieldtrip!**

Kindergarten Registration 2019 -2020

Kindergarten Registration for the Abbotsford School District commenced on Monday, January 21st, 2019. If you have a friend or neighbour who has a child eligible for Kindergarten this September, please advise them to come and fill out the Registration Forms.



. (Complete information can be found on the district website <http://www.abbyschools.ca/kindergarten>)

NOTE: To be registered for Kindergarten, children must turn 5 years of age between January 1 and December 31, 2019. **(Born in 2014)**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Bradner Elementary School 2018-2019



- April 18th (Thursday) – Early Dismissal (2:05 pm)
- April 19th (Friday) - Good Friday – **NO SCHOOL**
- April 22nd (Monday) - Easter Monday – **NO SCHOOL**
- April 26th (Friday) - (Spirit Day)
- May 10th (Friday) – (Spirit Day)
- May 17th (Friday) - Non-Instructional Day #5 – **NO SCHOOL**- Pro. D. Day
- May 20th (Monday) - Victoria Day/Bradner May Day – **NO SCHOOL**
- May 31st (Friday) – (Spirit Day)
- June 14th (Friday) - Track and Field Meet at Rotary Stadium
- June 21st (Friday) – Sports Day
- June 27th (Thursday) - Last Day for Students/Year End/Final Report Cards
- June 28th (Friday) - Year-end Closing - (Last Day for Teachers) (Admin. Day)

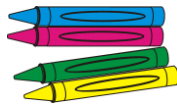


Ready, Set, Learn for 3 & 4 year olds

On Wednesday, April 17th, Bradner hosted the Ready, Set, Learn, for 3 & 4 year olds. It was wonderful to get to see and meet all the Kindergarten students coming in September. A Great Big **"Thank You"** to **Ms. Smith** for all her hard work in organizing this wonderful event.

Crayola Green Initiatives "Crayola ColourCycle Program"

We are currently participating in the Crayola ColourCycle Program. Please collect all your pen/highlighter/markers that are no longer working and bring them to the school. All items will be recycled in a never-ending quest to find new and better ways to reduce, reuse, and recycle.



Crayola may make virtually every color under the sun, but its current favorite is Green. By using renewable energy, reducing waste and protecting the rainforests, Crayola's green initiative is helping to ensure that today's kids will have a healthy environment for their creative tomorrows.

Does not have to be Crayola products

For more information please visit (<http://www.crayola.com/about-us/company/green-inititives>)

PAC CORNER

All Parents welcome, old faces and new faces

NEXT PAC Meeting:

TBA

in the Multipurpose Room.

Childminding and coffee provided.

Please join us!

Come and have some input on how we can enhance our children's education at this wonderful school. Also, it is a great way to get to know some more parents, and have some insight on events that are happening at our school.

Please join us on Facebook - Bradner Elementary PAC

Check out our new web page: www.bradnerpac.com

New e-mail info@bradnerpac.com Or you can reach the PAC

President, Amanda McAllister by phone 604-856-6692

PAC Executive - 2018/2019



President - Amanda McAllister

Vice President - Kori Wall

Secretary - Tamara Arden

Treasurer - Stacey Stinson

DPAC Rep – Vacant

Learn, Laugh & Play: Parent/Tot Drop In

Thursday afternoons

Who is this Program for?

Parents/Caregivers and children between the ages of 0-5 years.

What activities will there be?

Circle time, physical activities, fine arts, music, literacy numeracy, science, exploration, talk – all through play and lots of fun.

Is there a cost?

No! This is a free parent/caregiver participation program.

Where and when is it happening?

Thursdays at Bradner Elementary (5291 Bradner Road) from 12:15 – 3:05 pm

Hosted in partnership with Ready, Set, Learn

For more information please visit the Abbotsford School District Website.

<https://www.abbschools.ca/announcement/learn-laugh-play-parenttot-drop>



Div. 1 – Gr. 5 Cash 4 Clothes



As part of our Aboriginal studies, on April 15th and 16th each class had the opportunity to participate in several Aboriginal workshops during our Syoys:ys Week.



PAC Popcorn Day – April 26TH

PAC Popcorn Day – Friday, April 26, 2019 (\$1.00 per bag). Don't forget to bring a Loonie or two!!



PAC – FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - The PAC is hosting a FAMILY Movie Night

When: Friday, May 3rd

Where: Bradner Elementary Gym

Movie: TBA

Time: Doors Open @ 6:00 pm, Movie Starts @ 6:30 pm.

Details to follow



Good times at the 91st Bradner Flower Show