



December 1st, 2024

Hello Harry Sayers Elementary Community,

I wanted to share some exciting updates for December. It has been a busy month at Sayers! We had a wonderful Remembrance Day Assembly and were honored to have a Canadian service member from the Chilliwack regiment join us (see picture below). Our movie night on Friday was a great success, with many families enjoying "The Grinch." A big thank you to the PAC for all their hard work in 2024, which has significantly increased the amazing opportunities for our kids.

We also want to recognize our fantastic Noon Hour Supervisors, who were acknowledged by a local business for their excellent work with the children in our community (see picture below).

Teachers are currently preparing Learning Updates (Report Cards), and students have started practicing their songs for the Winter Concert on December 19th. We have Spirit Days coming up and many activities to enjoy during the last 15 days of school in 2024! We hope you have a wonderful holiday season!

December Events

"Winter Wonderland" Concert, Thursday December 19th

Please see the Concert Schedule: Please note, we will not be ticketing for this event. We are encouraging everyone to come to the **12:45 pm** show as we want to ensure we have enough seats for everyone in the 2:45 show!

(Please note, we have a different lunch time on this day)

Recess: 925-945 am Lunch: 1045-11:25 am

Concert 12:45-1:45 pm (**Doors open 12:15 pm**)

Afternoon Recess: 1:55-2:15 pm

Afternoon Concert begins at 2:45 pm, ends at 3:45 pm (Doors open 2:15 pm)

PAC will be providing an extra snack for all students. However, please send an extra snack with your child.

Important Dates in December

December 3rd: Gr. 5 Volleyball Tournament at MEI

December 5th: Hot Lunch

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December 6th: Casual Friday: No Uniform

December 13th: Christmas Sweater/Shirt Day: No Uniform.

December 13th: Learning Updates Home

Mr. Colbert and Mrs. Hoeving: 5 days of Christmas

December 16th: Holiday Hat Day: Wear Uniform with your Hat

December 17th: Christmas Character Day: No Uniform December 18th: Red/Green/White Day: No Uniform

December 19th: Winter Concert Dress Up Day (Division dependent) December 20th: Pajama Day: No Uniform: Last Day Before Winter Break

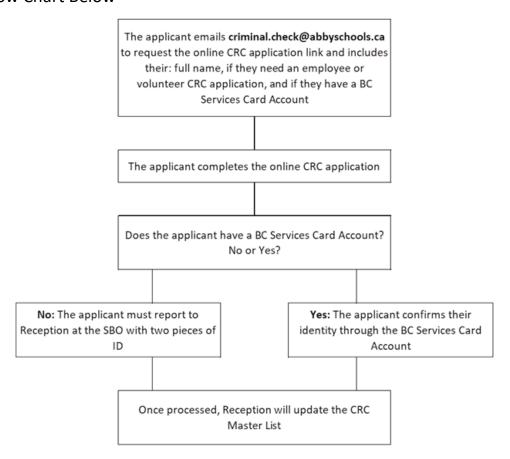
Noon Hour Supervision

We are currently looking for casual Noon Hour Supervisors. If you are a successful applicant, you will be deemed an employee of the Abbotsford School District (non-unionized position) and will receive a rate of pay for your work. Shift is 12:15 pm-1:15 pm. You will need a specialized Criminal Record Check (different than the volunteer criminal record check). Please pick up an application from the office and hand back to the office if interested. If successful, then we will send you for the criminal record check.

Volunteers needed for PAC events and Field Trips

There is a new process for the criminal record check at the Abbotsford School District. Here are your steps.

- 1. Fill out the Harry Sayers Volunteer Paperwork
- 2. Complete a Criminal Record Check with the Abbotsford School District
- 3. See Flow Chart Below



You will no longer be providing paper applications. Please email <u>criminal.check@abbyschools.ca</u> to complete the online application.

4. Reminder for Volunteers

Volunteers who work with children or vulnerable adults are required to complete a CRC as per the Criminal Records Review Act. The CRC must be completed through the Abbotsford School District, who is registered with the Criminal Records Review Program (CRRP). If a volunteer provides a Police/RCMP check, they will be required to complete a new one through us and the CRRPs online system.

5. Additional Information and helpful videos

- For more information about the online Criminal Record Review Program, click HERE
- To access the Criminal Records Review Program Applicant Guide, click HERE
- To learn how to setup the BC Services, click **HERE**

PAC Meeting

Please join us for our next PAC meeting of the year, Wednesday January 22nd at 6 pm in the <u>library</u>. PAC stands for Parent Advisory Council. This is a meeting to discuss fundraising, Parent led events in the school and allows you to hear from the Principal and Vice Principal about the school. (This is NOT a required meeting for parents but would love for you to join!)

Thank you for making Harry Sayers a great place to teach and learn!

Ryan Colbert, Principal

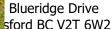
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Make sure to say to Mr. Finch, our amazing Crossing Guard!



Andra Hoeving, Vice Principal







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