



# FALCON FLYER

## YOUR MONTHLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### IMPORTANT DATES

**Sept 7** - School Opens  
**Sept 8** - First Full Day  
**Sept 22** - Cops 4 Cancer  
**Sept 22** - Meet the Teacher Night & PAC Meeting  
**Sept 24** - Non Instructional Day 1  
**Sept 30** - Truth & Reconciliation Day  
No School

**Oct 5** - World Teacher Day  
**Oct 6** - Picture Day (Tentative)  
**Oct 11** - Thanksgiving No School  
**Oct 20/21** - Parent Teacher Conferences  
**Oct 22** - Non Instructional Day 2

## WELCOME TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR AT FRASER!

Hello and welcome to the beginning of what will surely be a wonderful year of learning together! We hope you had great summer break and are as excited as we are to have the Fraser Middle family back together.

Below you will find some useful information as you settle into the new school year:

**School Supplies:** It's time once again to get that back-to-school shopping done. You can find the official school supply list on our school's website [frasermiddle.abbschools.ca](http://frasermiddle.abbschools.ca). Please do not bring your school supplies on the first day of school because your locker won't be assigned to you right away. It is best to wait until your teachers say it is ok to bring all your supplies to school.

**PE Strip:** In order to be successful in your physical education class, you need to dress the part. Students at Fraser require the following gym strip: a black t-shirt, black shorts or leggings, and non-marking runners. If you want to show your school spirit, you have the option to order a school logo-branded dry-fit athletics shirt. Orders can be made through School Cash Online, with shirt delivery happening in the first few weeks of class.



**First Day of School:** The first day of school is Tuesday, September 7 but is only for 90 minutes! The start time also depends on your grade:

- Grade 6: 8:25-9:55 am
- Grade 7 & 8: 10:10-11:40 am

Students will meet in the gym for a welcome assembly, then go with their teachers to their classrooms for the remainder of their time.

**Bell Times:** The bell times at Fraser are now as follows:

- **Welcome** bell is at 8:15 am
- **Starting** bell is at 8:22 am
- **Nutrition Break** bell is at 10:25 am
- **Lunch Break** bell is at 11:41 am
- **Dismissal** bell is at 2:21 pm



**What class are you in?** To find out what class you are in, check your parent/guardian's email! This year instead of posting paper lists at the entrance, you will receive your assigned class emailed to your parents/guardians. Ask them to watch their email and/or school messenger app for class placements. Information will be sent out Friday, September 3rd after 5pm. The first week of school determines our enrollment and whether movement is necessary to balance our classes so shuffling can happen.

**Transportation:** Do you need bussing to school? The Abbotsford school district has a whole department dedicated to bussing and transportation. To learn about booking bussing including pick up and drop off times and locations, simply visit the bussing website: [www.abbyschools.ca/busing](http://www.abbyschools.ca/busing)

**School Cash Online:** Fraser middle is no longer a school that accepts cash. To pay for things like student fees, yearbooks, PE strip, field trips and canteen cards, you need to make sure you are signed up with school cash online. This system is quick, easy, secure, and can be found by visiting [abbotsford.schoolcashionline.com](http://abbotsford.schoolcashionline.com).

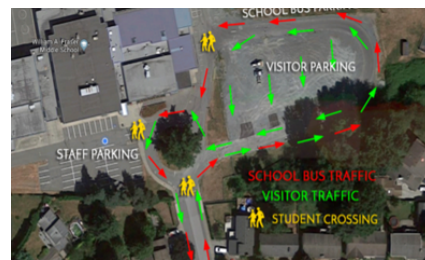
**School Communication:** Check out our school website for regularly updated information. You can find the details of upcoming events, school news, find out how to contact your teachers, and much more. Our website is <https://frasermiddle.abbyschools.ca> although you can also follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @fraserfalcons

**Canteen:** We are happy to announce that we are in the process of reopening our Canteen! We hope to launch as soon as possible and once again offer healthy snacks and hot lunches at an affordable price. Parents: If you would like to volunteer in the canteen this year, please contact the office at [frasermiddle@abbyschools.ca](mailto:frasermiddle@abbyschools.ca).

**Lunch Hour Supervisors:** Fraser Middle School is looking for reliable individuals to assist with indoor and outdoor lunch hour supervision on a regular basis. Lunch Hour Supervisors are paid members of our learning community and require a criminal record check be conducted. Please contact the office if you are interested.

**Parking Lot Etiquette:** Our parking lot gets extremely busy during drop off and pick up times. To ensure student safety, we ask that all drivers take a moment to consider the following parking lot etiquette:

- Be patient and courteous to other drivers and pedestrians
- Always use the gravel visitor parking lot for drop off and pick up
- Never stop, park, or drop off/pick up on the paved bus loop
- Carefully exit the site by making your way to the round about traffic circle
- and using it to exit. See adjacent map.



**BYOD:** Fraser Middle is proud to be a Bring Your Own Device school! This program provides students the opportunity, at the teacher's discretion, and with parent support, to use personal Chromebook or laptop computers under supervision in the classroom for learning. Students may register to bring a laptop, Chromebook, or tablet that will be used strictly for educational purposes, but this is not a requirement. You can read tons of information on this program here or by visiting BOYD on our school website.

**Staffing Announcements:** Every year at Fraser, we are sad to say goodbye to some school family members, and welcome others. This year, we say goodbye to teaching and support staff members: Jeff Fraser, Chelsea Horsman, Jo Voth, Jennifer Hunter, Stella Soon, Brooklyn Fust, Amanda Willock and Scott Peters. We are very excited to welcome: Joe Pagulayan and Isaiah Smith who will be returning as our newest grade 6 team members, Eric Morettin will be joining us at the grade 7 level, Aida Bunoan will be running our Canteen, and Denise Marshall will join us in the Library. We also have Hailey Bedard and Merrilee Mairs joining our support team, Arlyn Eash as our new daytime custodian and Tyler Horner joining us as VP in the office. Welcome to the Fraser family!

**Safety Reminder for School:** Please ensure that you wear a mask (if able) while in all indoor spaces in the school district and that you monitor your health daily for sickness symptoms prior to arrival. If you are feeling sick, stay home until symptoms reside. Questions? Phone the office, we are here to help!

**Grade 6 Orientation:** Huge thank you to Ms. Roger & Mr. Harvey as well as our WEB leaders for a very successful Grade 6 orientation day. We had 87% of our grade 6 students in the building on Thursday, Sept 2, participate in the activities that and enjoy their first day in the school.

