



# ACSS Totem News

January 27, 2017

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Please visit our website [www.acsstotems.ca](http://www.acsstotems.ca) for more information.

## UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS:

Monday, Jan. 30	Semester 2—Day 7 (D C B A)
Wednesday, Feb. 1	Collaboration Afternoon—Early Dismissal (1:40 pm)
Friday, Feb. 10	Semester 1 Final, Term 2 Report Cards Available
Saturday, Feb. 11	Dry Grad Bottle Drive
Monday, Feb. 13	Family Day—NO SCHOOL



## BLOCK ORDER

Jan. 30—Day 7
Jan. 31—Day 8
Feb. 1—Day 7
Feb. 2—Day 8
Feb. 3—Day 7

## SEMESTER 2—HOMEROOM (Monday, January 30th—8:35 am)

There will be a short homeroom at the start of the day to distribute Semester 2 Timetables.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The library currently has \$14,131 in unpaid textbook and library book fines. This means that students have NOT RETURNED their textbooks or library books. If you know you have a book at home or in your locker, please return it to the library. All first semester textbooks and library books are overdue. Please return them to the library ASAP.

## YEARBOOKS

For a \$5.00 minimum payment, you can secure a copy of the 59th edition of the ACSS Twig! Yearbooks cost \$70 and can be paid off over time, but you must get your first payment into the office by February 14th. *Yearbook accounts must be paid in full before the yearbook release date in June to get your copy on time.*

## GRAD BABY PHOTOS!

Baby photos must be submitted to the office by January 30th to ensure they get printed in the grad section of the yearbook. Hard copies of photos will be returned to you (please ensure your name is on the back of the photo.) Digital copies can be emailed to Ms. Caines ([kcaines@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:kcaines@sd35.bc.ca)).

## GRAD HOODIES

If you didn't order grad wear you are in luck. We have limited sizes and colours of Grad 2017 hoodies and sweat pants left!

First come, first served! Once they're gone, they're gone! Hoodies \$60, Pants \$35

Dark Grey Hoodies - sizes S, M, L, XL

Light Grey Hoodie - size M

Navy Hoodie - size S

Navy Pants - size L

Light Grey Pants - size M

Dark Grey Pants - size S



**Grad 2018 - Hoodies and pants will be on sale in the spring!**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This year we are piloting the Parent Portal on MyEdBC. There are several benefits associated with being able to access this feature on MyEdBC for parents. Once we are fully implemented, Parent Portal will allow parents to access their child's attendance, class progress, student schedules and report cards.

This year we will be able to give parents access to student report cards online. This will begin for our semester one final report cards, which will be available on the Parent Portal on *February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017*. Parents will be getting an e-mail from MyEdBC with instructions on how to set up their account. Parents who do not have access to the internet or are having difficulty getting access, will have the opportunity to pick up paper copies of first semester report card at the ACSS main office on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Parents will need to have an e-mail account to be able to access the Parent Portal. Please ensure that you have an up-to-date e-mail address on file with the school.

If you need assistance with accessing the Parent Portal, please e-mail [MYEDBCSupport@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:MYEDBCSupport@sd35.bc.ca) or contact the office at 604.856.2521.

Thank you,

J. Lyndon

Principal



## Subject: Online Payment for School Expenses

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Dear Parents,

Aldergrove Community Secondary School is offering School Cash Online, which provides you with the convenience of paying online for school items such as trips, club/athletic fees, and spirit wear. We really want to save you time when paying for school expenses, so we can't wait for you to take advantage of this opportunity. School Cash Online is a great way to pay without the need for cash or cheques!

Please follow the link below to register online (it takes less than 5 minutes!). Once you have registered your student(s), you will be able to see when they have a new item posted online for purchase. You also have the option to be notified whenever your child has a new school expense due, so you don't have to worry about missing the deadline.

To set up an account and explore the system, please follow the instructions below. We look forward to hearing your feedback!

### **Register Online:**

Step 1: Please click on this link: <https://sd35.schoolcashionline.com/>

Step 2: Register by selecting "Get Started Now" and following the steps.

Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the "click here" option, login in and add your student(s) to your household account. To do this, you will need your student's last name, first name, date of birth and student number.

✓ **Convenient** ✓ **Safe** ✓ **Secure**

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any questions during the registration process or while shopping online, please select the **SUPPORT** option in the top right hand area of the screen.

Warm Regards,

Jeremy Lyndon, Principal  
Aldergrove Community Secondary School



**A Campus Tour Extravaganza!**

**Tour UFV's Chilliwack Campuses**

**Home of their Trades, Nursing, Dental  
Hygiene, & Kinesiology Programs**

**&**

**Tour UFV's Main Campus in  
Abbotsford**

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Space is limited**

**Sign up in the Counselling Office**



# Scholarships



**Want to be ACSS' nominee for a \$5000 Ministry of Education BC Excellence Award?  
We are looking for someone who:**

- Provides community service both inside and outside the school
- Possesses an aptitude and commitment to a chosen career path
- Has A's or B's in Grade 11 and 12

Deadline for application: **January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

## **BC Excellence Award:**

The ACSS Scholarship Committee will be nominating one student for the **Ministry of Education BC Excellence Award**. (Value \$5000). Fifty-five students in the province will receive this award. The Ministry of Education is looking for the following qualities:

- Community service both inside and outside the school
- Aptitude and commitment to a chosen career path

## **Basic eligibility requirement:**

Must be in a position to graduate with a "B" in Grades 11 and 12 course marks required for graduation with no more than one "C+" (67% and above) final course mark (marks lower than "C+" are not accepted).

Students who wish to be considered for nomination must submit the following items to Mrs. Luteijn by **Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

- Student Profile
- 2 letters of reference – one from the community and one from the school
- Written Statement: 500 word (maximum) essay describing your community service, volunteer activities and/ or leadership roles. The essay needs to address:
  - ⇒What lead you to participate in community service, volunteer activities, or leadership roles?
  - ⇒What did you learn from this involvement?
  - ⇒How will this experience benefit you in the future and with regard to the career path you plan to pursue (include examples)?

The ACSS Scholarship Committee will select the nominee by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. The nominee will be then responsible for having their completed application submitted to Mrs. Luteijn by February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Each school's Scholarship Committee is responsible for submitting the nominee's application to a representative at the School Board Office prior to the Ministry requiring the application by February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Should you wish to read more about this award please go to the Ministry of Education website and view the criteria:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/provincial-scholarships/bc-excellence-scholarships>



# WOMEN in TRADES CONFERENCE

February 16th, 2017

Clarke Foundation Theatre, Mission, BC

Keynote Speaker



**Jamie McMillan**  
**Kick Ass Careers**

**High School Schedule**  
**(for females in grades 9-12)**  
10:00am — 2:30pm  
Includes: Keynote Speaker, Panel Presentations,  
Trade Show, Nutrition Break and Lunch.

**For an application to attend  
please contact your school  
Career Advisor**

Trade Show Participants

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The background of the top section is a photograph of several softball helmets on a dirt field. In the foreground, a bright pink helmet with a black face mask is prominent, featuring the 'WORTH' brand logo. Behind it, a white helmet and a black helmet are visible, slightly out of focus. The scene is set outdoors on a dirt field with a chain-link fence in the background.

# LANGLEY FASTBALL

- Fastpitch style softball for ages 4 to adult
- New players and all skill levels welcome
- Set schedule at local Langley fields
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- Make new friends
- All you need is a helmet & glove
- Low registration fees
- Extra skills development clinics included with registration

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**DRY GRAD BOTTLE DRIVE**  
**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11th**  
**ALDERGROVE BOTTLE DEPOT**  
**9:00 am—12:00 pm**