



September 28/2025

Ey Swayel Prince Charles Families:

As we approach the end of September and step into October, we want to take a moment to reflect on the significance of **Truth and Reconciliation Day**, which will be held this **Tuesday, September 30th**. This day is an opportunity for all Canadians to honour the survivors of residential schools, their families, and communities. It is a time to listen, learn, and commit towards reconciliation. We encourage families to engage in conversations at home that support understanding and compassion.

In October, our school will be focusing on the virtue of **Gratitude**. Gratitude means recognizing and appreciating the good in our lives and expressing thanks to others. For example, a student might show gratitude by saying thank you to a classmate who helped them with a task. Practicing gratitude helps build a positive and caring school community.

We also have a special invitation for you! Please join us for a **PAC Coffee Morning** on **Wednesday, October 1st** from 8:15–8:45 AM at the back of the school during drop-off. Enjoy free Starbucks coffee and treats, meet other parents, and learn more about how you can get involved. Volunteer sign-up forms will be available, and we'd love to connect with you!

Please note the following important reminders:

Monday, September 29th is a **Professional Development Day**: there will be no school for students.

Tuesday, September 30th is **National Truth and Reconciliation Day**: schools will be closed.

We look forward to welcoming students back on **Wednesday, October 1st**, refreshed and ready to begin a new month of learning and growth.

Warm regards,

Mr. Paul Allanson
Principal of Prince Charles Elementary School

Here are some things for you to know as we head into **Week #5** at **Prince Charles Elementary**:

1. **“Wet Coast Weather”**: As we settle into the rhythm of fall here on the beautiful West Coast, we’re reminded that rain is simply part of our daily landscape. Living in a rainforest means we can expect many more rainy days ahead, and we love to embrace them!

Fresh air and outdoor play are important parts of our day, even when it’s wet outside. To help your child stay comfortable and enjoy their time outdoors, please ensure they come to school prepared with:

- **A coat**
- **Boots**
- **Change of clothes (if possible)**
- **An umbrella (if possible)**

A little rain never stops us from getting outside and enjoying nature, it’s all part of the “Wet Coast” experience! Thank you for helping your child stay warm, dry, and ready to explore.

2. **Student Verification Form & Student Reunification Form**: Last Wednesday, Student Verification & Student Reunification forms were sent home, these forms ensures we have the most up-to-date contact information for your family. Please review and update any changes to your email addresses, phone numbers, or emergency contacts. Accurate information is essential for timely communication, especially in urgent situations. **Student Reunification Form (New)**: As part of the Abbotsford School District’s ongoing efforts to strengthen our emergency response planning, we are introducing a Student Reunification Form. This form allows parents and guardians to designate trusted adults who may pick up their child in the event of a major emergency, such as a damaging earthquake or other significant disaster. This process is a key component of our district-wide emergency preparedness strategy and is designed to ensure the safe and organized reunification of students with their families.

Please complete and return both forms to the school **by October 1/2025**. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated as we work together to keep our students safe and supported.

3. **Cross Country**: We’re excited to announce that our school’s Cross Country races will be held on Mondays at Bateman Park

- October 6

- October 20
- Races begin at 3:15 PM, starting with Grade 5 girls, followed by Grade 5 boys, Grade 4 girls, and Grade 4 boys.

Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from the events. Practices will take place on Wednesdays at recess.

- 4. Grade 5 Soccer:** Grade 5 Soccer is starting up again. Games are played at Auguston Traditional School. Games are on:
 - Wednesday, October 1 @ 3:30
 - Wednesday, October 8 @ 3:30
- 5. PC Swag:** We're excited to offer Prince Charles Elementary swag for students and families! To order a Prince Charles Elementary hoodie, zip-up, or t-shirt, please click on the link below:
<https://sapphirecreative.com/product-category/apparel-program/prince-charles-elementary/>
 Orders typically take about two weeks to arrive. Once your items are ready for pickup, Ms. Smith will contact families directly.

Show your Royal pride, we can't wait to see our community rocking their PC gear!

6. Upcoming Dates:

October	
Oct. 1 - Wednesday	Virtue Assembly (Gratitude)
Oct. 2 – Thursday	Science World Assembly
October 11 – Saturday	School Trustee Election
October 13 – Monday	Thanksgiving (Schools are closed)

7. Information from the PAC:

Next PAC Meeting is: Monday, October 20th @ 7:00 in the library.

Playground Project Fundraiser!



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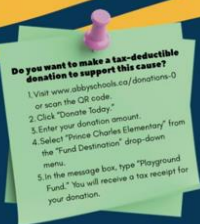
We are aiming to raise \$100,000 to create this vision.

Our plans include:

- ✓ Installing a rope climbing structure in the upper field playground.
- ✓ Adding two small spinning play structures.
- ✓ Replacing the old wooden monkey bars with metal climbing bars and a small climbing wall.



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