



April 5/2026

Ey Swayel Prince Charles Families:

As we enter the Easter Long Weekend, I would like to extend my heartfelt wishes to all of our families who celebrate. Easter is a time that many associate with hope, renewal, and new beginnings, values that align closely with the spirit of learning and growth we strive to foster each day at our school.

I hope the Easter break provides your family with time to relax, reconnect, and enjoy special moments together. Whether your plans include family traditions, quiet reflection, or simply enjoying time outdoors, I wish you all the best.

Just a friendly reminder that we make every effort to go outside for recess and lunch whenever possible, even on cooler or damp days. To help ensure your child is comfortable and able to enjoy their outdoor time, please make sure they come to school prepared with:

- Outdoor boots or appropriate shoes
- A coat suitable for the weather
- And possibly a spare change of clothes in their backpack

Being properly dressed helps students stay safe, comfortable, and ready to learn after outdoor play. Thank you for your continued support in helping us encourage active, outdoor time for our students.

See everyone on Tuesday (Schools are closed tomorrow).

Warm regards,

Mr. Paul Allanson
Principal of Prince Charles Elementary School

Here are some things for you to know as we head into **Week #28 at Prince Charles Elementary**:

1. **Clothing Swap:** The PAC is hosting a Spring Swap on Saturday, April 11 from 10-2 in the school gym. All funds raised from this event will go towards our playground fund. Parents are asked to send in donations of gently used clothing

(all ages/sizes/seasons, babies-adults) as well as gently used kids (only) sporting goods. We could also use donations for clothing hangers and reusable bags. **Donations can be sent with students in the morning at drop off.** We will be looking for volunteers shortly, and payment for items at the swap will be in cash only.

- 2. Grade 5 Basketball:** We are excited to invite all Grade 5 students who are interested in basketball to participate in our upcoming practices. Basketball is a wonderful opportunity for students to develop athletic skills, teamwork, and confidence in a supportive school environment.

Practice Schedule:

- **Tuesdays, 2:45–4:00 p.m.** – Boys (with Coach Abbott)
- **Wednesdays at Lunch** – Boys and Girls (with Coach Marley)
- **Thursdays, 2:45–4:00 p.m.** – Girls (with Coach Marley)

Games:

Boys Schedule:

- Wednesday, April 8 **AWAY GAME** at Sandy Hill
- Wednesday April 22 **HOME GAME** Mountain vs. PC

Girls Schedule:

- Wednesday, April 15 **AWAY GAME** at Auguston Elementary
- Wednesday, April 29 **AWAY GAME** at Mountain Elementary

While we offer a lunchtime practice, we strongly encourage all student-athletes to attend the after-school practices whenever possible. After-school sessions allow for more in-depth instruction and practice time. Basketball involves many foundational skills, including dribbling, shooting, passing, communication, and basic positional play, and the additional time is essential for learning and growth.

- 3. Summer School:** The Abbotsford School District would like to let you know that Summer School registration is now open. If you are looking for an opportunity for your child(ren) to upgrade or enhance their learning skills, Summer School offers a variety of programs designed to support student success. Please see the link

below or the attached information for program details, course offerings, and registration instructions.

<https://summerschool.abbyschools.ca/events/summer-explorers-gr-k-8-registration-2026>

4. **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!

5. **Upcoming Dates:**

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Friday, April 10th	Hot Lunch – Fuel Catering
Friday, April 10th	Spirit Day – Look a Like Day
Tuesday, April 14 th	Vaisakhi
Friday, April 17 th	Popcorn Day
Friday, April 24th	Non-Instructional Day #5 (No School for students)

6. **Information from the PAC:**



Next PAC Meeting is: Tuesday, April 7th @ 7:00 in the library.

Playground Project Fundraiser!



Prince Charles Elementary School



HELP MAKE OUR DREAM A REALITY!

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.

Do you want to make a tax-deductible donation to support this cause?

1. Visit www.abyschools.ca/donations-0 or scan the QR code.
2. Click "Create Today!"
3. Enter your donation amount.
4. Select "Prince Charles Elementary" from the "Fund Destination" drop-down menu.
5. In the message box, type "Playground Fund." You will receive a tax receipt for your donation.




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