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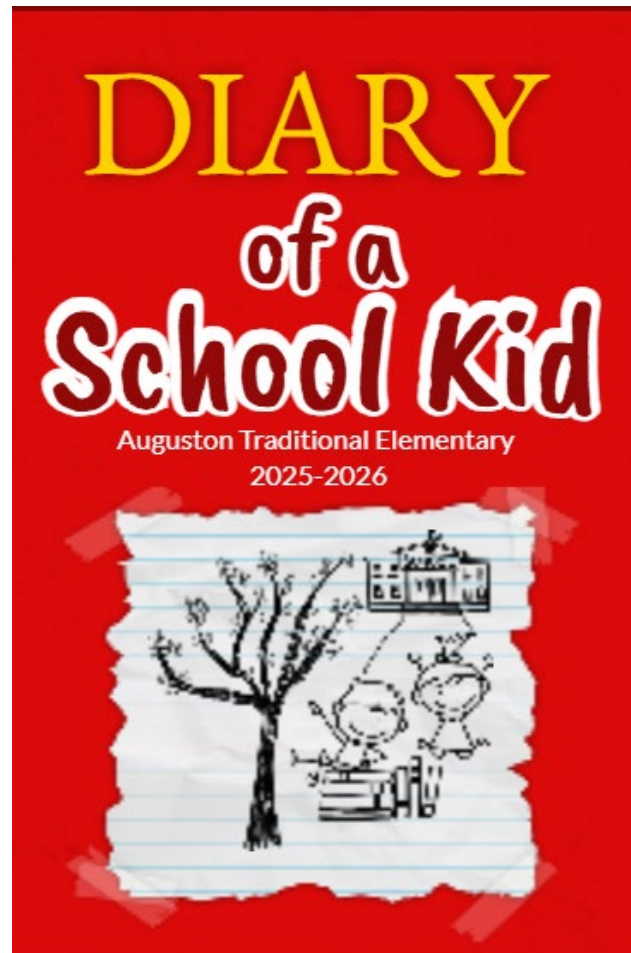
## Principal's Message



Oh my goodness, it's June! And not only that, but I personally am entering my last month here with you at Auguston 😞 Four years has flown by but that just goes to show that time does fly when you are having fun! We've learned and grown a lot together over my time here and I hope that I've done well and left my mark on the school in a positive way. I will miss the supportive group that makes up our community – parents, staff and students – and will look back on my time here with fondness and joy. We've worked through some tough stuff, but we've also experienced some great joy and that is where my heart soars in knowing that we found greatness together.

The next few weeks are packed full of events, field trips, testing and preparing those final learning updates – and also some learning and our usual routines in there, too! June is always a busy month in schools as we sum up our learning for the year and celebrate our achievements together.

Some updates and important information are included below 😊



## Yearbooks

Our 'Diary of a School Kid' yearbooks are coming soon. We've seen the proof and it looks great! Huge thanks to our PAC mom Sarah who did an amazing job of pulling it all together for us! Thanks also to our PAC who will provide a free copy to each of our grade 5 students!

There is a limited supply of yearbooks available for those who missed the deadline: soft cover only for \$30 on a first come, first served basis. Please contact the office if you missed the order deadline and would still like one:

[auguston@abbyschools.ca](mailto:auguston@abbyschools.ca)

## Run for Water



What an amazing event we had last month to raise funds for the local Run For Water campaign. Even through the rain, we had a great run and raised \$2000 as a school to donate to this worthy cause. Way to go, Auguston!!

## One Book One School

Unfortunately, this memorable event had to be cancelled this year. We tried to get a couple of different titles here and in the hands of families, but it just didn't work out with our supplier. We are still working on purchasing books to be able to celebrate reading together in the fall – we will keep you posted!

## Parking and traffic concerns

Our usual reminder about traffic and parking – with more students and families walking to school in the beautiful weather, we need to be mindful of our school zone and people moving within it. We appreciate your kindness and patience as we navigate our busiest times of the day - drop off and pickup. In order to move

everyone through these busy times safely and efficiently, we ask that everyone continue to follow a few simple traffic rules around our school:

- 1) We have 'no parking' zones along Stephen Leacock Drive that run from just before the fire hydrant above our parking lot to our crosswalk and bus loop entrance, and then again from just in front of the school drop off area to just past the school property line. These areas are typically blocked off by cones, but we ask that you respect those no parking zones at all times. These areas of no parking are designated as they lead up to our crosswalks and it gives drivers clear sight lines that allow them enough time to stop safely at each crossing. Student safety is a priority for us and we appreciate your help out there.
- 2) **There is also a 'no stopping' rule in both of our bus loops.** A number of people will say 'I'm not stopping' or that they are there 'just for a minute'. If you have to stop longer than the time it takes your child to get in or out of the vehicle, we ask that you do another loop to allow those behind you to get through. If your child needs your help to get in or out of your vehicle, we ask that you find a parking space in the lot. If your child is not there ready for you at pickup, please circle around to allow others to get through and out as well.
- 3) The busses can slow us down as they take a bit longer to load or off-load, but they usually come a bit before or after the bell to avoid backing things up in our bus loops. Thank you for allowing them a bit of extra grace as they safely pickup or deliver our students.



We appreciate your continued support in this and your kindness in dealing with all of our community safety needs.

## Year-end assemblies and celebrations



Our year end assembly will be held on Thursday, June 25, at 9:30 am. If your child is receiving an award, you will receive an

invitation to attend. There will be limited seating for this assembly as we fill the gym with our classes and parents.

Our grade 5 students will have their own leaving ceremony on Wednesday, June 24 at 9:30 am. As there will be fewer students in the gym, parents of grade 5 students are invited to attend. Students in grade 5 receiving an award will get it at this assembly as well as being mentioned at the school wide assembly the next day.

Parents of grade 5 students are also planning grad celebration on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

See the [PAC Facebook page](#) for more information & on the website:

## Grade 5 Celebration



## Summer Reading

The Fraser Valley Regional Library is holding an 'Under the Sea' reading program this summer. You can sign up [online](#) or at your closest FVRLibrary starting June 21, 2025. Track your reading all summer and you can be entered to win some cool prizes and reading medals!

Also available is a list of apps curated by our District Curriculum staff. Please see the list attached at the end of this newsletter.

## Jump Rope for Heart



***Update: we have surpassed our goal, but the site is still open to donate! Way to go Auguston!!***

We have officially kicked off our Jump Rope for Heart event. We're excited to get active, learn healthy habits and raise funds in support of Heart & Stroke.

Please check your child's backpack for a [postcard](#) that includes more information and help us reach our school goal of \$1,000 by donating or fundraising online today: <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/114086>. Thanks for your support!





**AUGUSTON TRADITIONAL ELEMENTARY'S 2026**

# **FUN FAIR!**

**FRIDAY JUNE 5**  
**FROM 4:30-7:00 PM**

**CARNIVAL GAMES • SILENT AUCTION**  
**ROCK CLIMBING • FACE PAINTING**  
**FOOD TRUCKS • INFLATABLES**  
**CONCESSION & MUCH MORE!**

**KIDS 5-18 YRS \$5.00 ADMISSION**  
**KIDS UNDER 4YRS & PARENTS FREE ADMISSION**  
**GAME CARDS 1 FOR \$10 OR 2 FOR \$18**

**PREORDER ADMISSION & GAME**  
**CARDS ON MUNCHALUNCH**  
**\*\*ACTUAL EVENT IS CASH ONLY\*\***

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARD NEW**  
**SCHOOL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!**



## Upcoming Dates in June

Wed, Jun 3	<a href="#">Pre-orders Due for Fun Fair</a> 6pm
Thurs, Jun 4	Support Staff Day – we celebrate our EA’s and support staff, Last day for <a href="#">Soccer Stars K, 1 &amp; 2</a> after school program
Fri, Jun 5	Gr. 3 <a href="#">Skipping Club</a> at lunch, after the eating time, <a href="#">Freezie Friday</a> after school PAC <a href="#">Fun Fair</a> 4:30-7pm, <a href="#">Orders Due for Hot Dogs/Burgers</a> 6pm
Mon, Jun 8	Last day for <a href="#">ArtVenture Program - Gr. 4 &amp; 5</a> after school program
Wed, Jun 10	<a href="#">Fire Drill</a> 9:15am
Thurs, Jun 11	Div. 8-10 to <a href="#">Blue Heron Reserve</a>
Fri, Jun 12	<a href="#">Sports Day</a> , PAC <a href="#">Hot Dogs &amp; Burgers</a> <a href="#">Hot Lunch Day</a> , <a href="#">Freezie Friday</a> after school
Mon, Jun 15	<a href="#">Grade 1’s to the UBC Research Forest</a>
Tues, Jun 16	<a href="#">Grade 4/5’s to Otter Co-Op Waterpark</a> , Grade 2’s to Shadbolt Park
Jun 17-19	<a href="#">Mobile Planetarium</a> at the school
Wed, Jun 17	Div. 13-15 to the <a href="#">Zoo</a>
Thurs, Jun 18	Grade 3/4 Recorder presentation 8:45, Indigenous Family Dinner at 5pm
Fri, Jun 19	<a href="#">Beach Day Spirit Day</a> , <a href="#">Jump Rope for Heart</a> event, <a href="#">Skipping Club</a> (at lunch, after the eating time) <a href="#">Grade 5 celebration 5-8pm</a>
Sun, Jun 21	Happy Father’s Day to all our dads out there! National Indigenous Peoples Day
Wed, Jun 24	<a href="#">Grade 5 Awards Assembly at 9:30am</a> , <a href="#">PAC treat day – Cotton Candy</a> , <a href="#">Foam Party in afternoon</a>
Thurs, Jun 25	<a href="#">Year End Awards Assembly at 9:30am</a> , <a href="#">Learning Updates home</a> , <a href="#">Last day of school!</a>
Jun 26/29-30, Jul 2-3	School office open

## School Calendar

### Events Calendar:

<https://auguston.abbyschools.ca/events/calendar>

- [2025-2026 Local School Calendar - Month-by-Month](#)
- [2025-2026 Local School Calendar - Chronological](#)
- [2026-2027 Local School Calendar - Month-by-Month](#)
- [2026-2027 Local School Calendar - Chronological](#)

## School Photos



See **school photos** on the website at:

<https://auguston.abbyschools.ca/blog>

*Thank you, **Tina Howe**, (parent and teacher) for taking many of our school photos!*





## CREATING SMILES

Located inside of Auguston Traditional Elementary  
Licensed Program



**FULL-DAY INFANT/  
TODDLER  
& 3-5 YEAR OLD  
PROGRM  
\$200 PER MONTH**

**BEFORE & AFTER  
SCHOOL CARE  
\$200 PER MONTH**

**PRESCHOOL  
\$115 PER MONTH  
8:45 AM - 1:45 PM**

## Contact

**778-239-2075 | 604-785-3210**

Email: [creatingsmilessociety@hotmail.com](mailto:creatingsmilessociety@hotmail.com)

## Pay for School Activities and Give Consent Online

Consent forms are **ONLINE** in [SchoolCash](#). Consent includes Request for Email Address Consent, Photograph/Video and Media, Permission for Off Grounds and for Field Trips.

We would like to encourage **ALL families** at our school to utilize the online option for consent & payments **EVERY** time! We are currently at **100%** Auguston (which is fantastic!) and **PLEASE USE the online option every time!**

*\*Grade 5 Celebration \* UBC Research Forest field trip - Gr. 1s \* Zoo field trip - Div. 13-15*

*\* Blue Heron field trip - Div. 8-10 \*Waterpark Gr. 4/5*

*\*Kindergarten Supplies \*Email Consent \*Permission for Off Grounds \*Photo/Media Consent*

*\*Damaged or Lost Library Books \*No Uni for a Toonie*

Thank you to parents who have set up your schoolcash account and utilize this option. You will be receiving reminders and messages about new items being added to your child's 'cart' when field trips and other items arise. A suggestion is to purchase a **prepaid credit card** to make purchases if you are concerned about online shopping. The district site is a secure site which does not hold account information.

**SchoolCashOnline** limits the amount of cash/cheques handled in schools, reduces paperwork, and results in more focused instructional time in the classroom. The Abbotsford School District now uses SchoolCashOnline for all schools. With SchoolCashOnline, parents have the convenient and secure option of paying for school items using their credit card online, 24/7. You can pay for school items such as trips, club/athletic fees, and spirit wear. It will save you time too! **Register for Schoolcashonline in 4 simple steps! If you haven't yet done so, please click on the link below to sign up TODAY!**



**Pay School Fees Online**

Secure credit card payment  
24/7 convenience  
Easy registration

[Click Here!](#)

SchoolCashOnline

# Literacy Apps for Families

These apps can be used at home with your family. Most are free and available in most app stores or online.

## K-3 APPS USED IN DISTRICT

### Book Creator

Create and read books, comics, newsletters, and more. Use for portfolios, assessments, or making resources accessible

**GRADES:** K-12

**COST:** Free (district paid)

**LOGIN INFO:** Use student abbyschools, Microsoft emails or Teacher provided QR codes

**LINK:** <https://app.bookcreator.com/sign-in>



### EPIC Books

Thousands of books and audiobooks for kids. Read, listen, and learn anywhere

**GRADES:** K-12

**COST:** \$9.99-\$11.99/ month to use after school hours (free at school)

**LOGIN INFO:** Yes, login with code that teacher sets up.

**LINK:** <https://www.getepic.com>



### Microsoft Reading Coach

Website where students can read aloud to the computer from a library of texts or AI generated stories based off student choice. Students get words to practice after each story.

**GRADES:** 1-12 (need basic reading skills)

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** Use student abbyschools emails

**LINK:** [coach.microsoft.com](https://coach.microsoft.com)



### Starfall

App with games, songs, and activities that teach reading, phonics, and math

**GRADES:** K-5

**COST:** Some Free Features, could pay for more

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed for free use

**LINK:** <https://www.starfall.com/h/>



## 4-12 APPS USED IN DISTRICT

### Mauril

Learn French & English with authentic Canadian videos and podcasts. Practice listening and comprehension at your level

**GRADES:** 6-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** Use student abbyschools emails

**LINK:** <https://mauril.ca>



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Website where students can read aloud to the computer from a library of texts or AI generated stories based off student choice. Students get words to practice after each story.

**GRADES:** 1-12 (need basic reading skills)

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** Use student abbyschools emails

**LINK:** [coach.microsoft.com](https://coach.microsoft.com)



### NFB Education

Selections of educational films on themes that tie in with Canadian curricula and address the important issues of the day. Great source of oral literacy practice.

**GRADES:** 3-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login required

**LINK:** <https://www.nfb.ca/education/>



### Sora

Reading app for students to borrow and enjoy eBooks and audiobooks from school or public libraries

**GRADES:** K-12 (mainly 6-12)

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** Click on "Find my school" and search for Abbyschools then login with student abbyschools emails & passwords

**LINK:** <https://soraapp.com>



## OTHER APPS TO CONSIDER

### Boggle with Friends

Challenge your friends and family to play, find words and earn bragging rights

**GRADES:** 3-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed

**LINK:** [search Google Play/ Apple App store](#)



### Cedar Box Games

Learn learn about berries, plants, weeds and trees that are native to the Pacific Northwest

**GRADES:** 2-12

**COST:** Free on the web/ app

**LOGIN INFO:** No login required

**LINK:** <https://www.cedarboxexperience.com/games>



### First Voices

Learn Halqemylem through stories, songs and flashcards.

**GRADES:** K-12

**COST:** Free on the web/ app

**LOGIN INFO:** No login required

**LINK:** <https://halqemylem.firstvoicesapp.com/learn>



### Storyline Online

Actors reading children's books to encourage the love of reading

**GRADES:** K-5

**COST:** Free on the web/ app

**LOGIN INFO:** No login required

**LINK:** <https://storylineonline.net/>



### Scrabble

Fun word game to play with the family or solo vs. a computer. Can also be played offline with the board game if you have it.

**GRADES:** 3-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed

**LINK:** <https://playscrabble.com/>



### Teach your Monster to Read

Gamified reading adventures for early readers

**GRADES:** K-2

**COST:** Free on the web

**LOGIN INFO:** Must create your own login

**LINK:** <https://www.teachyourmonster.org/>



### Unite for Literacy

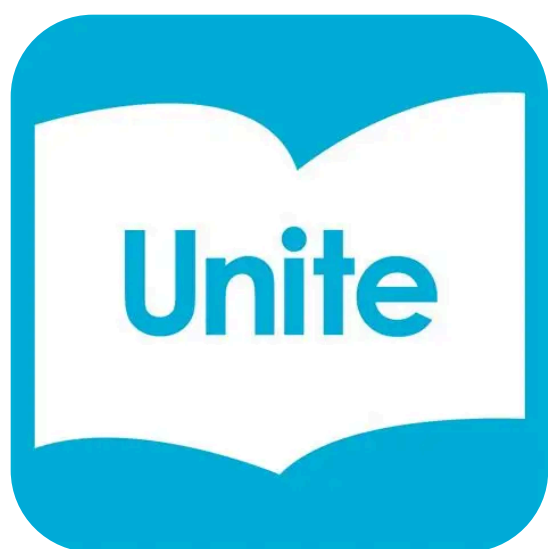
A library of reading and read aloud books that also has the option of listening in other languages.

**GRADES:** K-5

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed for free use

**LINK:** <https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/>



### Wordle

Word decoding puzzle game. Try a new puzzle every day. Great to play as a family.

**GRADES:** 2-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed for free use

**LINK:** <https://www.nytimes.com/games/wordle> or [https://wordlegame.org\\_\(customizable word lengths\)](https://wordlegame.org_(customizable word lengths))



### Words with Friends

Scrabble-Like game you can play with friends. Great for vocabulary and word development.

**GRADES:** 2-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** Requires you to sign-up

**LINK:** <https://wordswithfriends.com/>



### Wordscapes

This text twist of a word game is tremendous brain challenging fun. Enjoy modern word puzzles with word searching

**GRADES:** 3-12

**COST:** Free

**LOGIN INFO:** No login needed

**LINK:** [search Google Play/ Apple App store](#)

