

This Week in the Raven's Nest



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May 11 to May 15, 2020

We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation on which Royal Bay Secondary is built, and the nations that SD62 works with, Beecher Bay SCIA'NEW Nation, T'Sou-ke Nation, and Nuu-chah-nulth Pacheedaht Nation to the west.

We recognize the territory, the First Nations peoples, and thank them for sharing this beautiful land. Hych'ka – Coast Salish Kleco Kleco – Nuu-chah-nulth



This week:

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday NID—no on line classes

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Locker Clean Out

Beginning the week of May 19th, we will be distributing the contents of student lockers. We will be using appointments for parents to “pre-book” a pick-up time to collect their child’s personal belongings. We will be sending out further info on Monday, May 11th to provide a link and details about the process however here is a brief overview:

- Locker contents emptied into clear plastic bags by staff using safety protocols.
- We will retain and log any school resources such as library books and course textbooks
- Clear bags will be tagged with locker number and student name.
- Bags will be placed and monitored by staff outside the main entrance for pick up.
- Unfortunately, at this time, no parents or students will be permitted to enter the building as we adhere to health & safety protocols.
- We will also place “lost & found” clothing on tables outside for claiming.

We will not be returning any leftover lunches (science experiment), but will do our best to include the containers. :)

Parents



If you are showing symptoms of illness, please arrange for another person to pick up belongings.

or

If you are not well (respiratory symptoms, shortness of breath and breathing difficulties, fever or cough) or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID 19 in the last 14 days do not pick up belongings, please arrange for another person to pick up.

- You are to maintain physical distancing of 6 feet/2 meters between persons.
- Only one person is permitted to pick up the belongings. Children, family, etc. should be left in vehicles if in attendance.
- If you are not well (dry cough, fever) or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID 19 in the last 14 days do not pick up items.
- On approaching identify yourself to the school staff member and confirm name for pick up.
- **DO NOT** touch any items only the belongings you will be taking.
- Upon exit do not touch door handles/surface or walls.
- Once item is picked up please leave the area immediately with no congregating.
- Belongings will not be disinfected, please ensure you disinfect, as required.

Access to the school, including washrooms, is not permitted at this time.

Graduation Requirement Reminder



All Capstone Projects and proof of 30 hours of work/volunteer experience must be submitted to Danielle Huculak (dhuculak@sd62.bc.ca) by **June 5th**.

Additional information about the Capstone Project can be found on the Royal Bay Secondary School [website](#). Information about how to document work/volunteer hours can be found [here](#).

Dear Grads and parent/guardians of Grads

We are asking that all grads fill out the grad comment sheets and email them to Michelle Glanfield @ mglanfield@sd62.bc.ca.

A fillable document is available on the school website under the grad tab.

Please send these forms in as soon as possible.



We recognize that this uncertainty is disappointing, but trust that we are working on celebrating your 13 year journey in our school systems.

Valedictorian Nominations

Hello Grads:

As you know the Grad ceremony is not going to be traditional. We will endeavor to make the best of a situation that is impacting every Canadian. I am calling on the grad class of 2020 to elect a Valedictorian (usually 2 at RBSS) to deliver a video presentation for our Virtual Grad.

The nomination process is as follows:

Criteria:

1. Provide a 500 word letter outlining what leadership/volunteer work you have done outlining what it has done to better the Royal Bay and/or outside community.
2. Your teachers from first and second semester will be asked by RBSS admin to confirm your nomination, recognizing your work ethic and contributions to the classroom.
3. The Valedictorian nominations will consider your GPA in the selection process.
Valedictorian by definition is a top academic student, and RBSS admin will limit the finalists based on academic achievement.

The completed Leadership letter, are to be submitted to mlait@sd62.bc.ca by 12:00 noon Friday May 15th.

Candidates who have fulfilled ALL of the criteria will be notified Monday, May 18. All nominations are subject to review by Administration.

Top nominees will provide a video speech which should include enough information to explain why they would be a great representative of the graduating class. The speeches will be shared with the graduating class.

Thank you,

Martin Lait

Vice Principal RBSS

Hello Grade 12's,

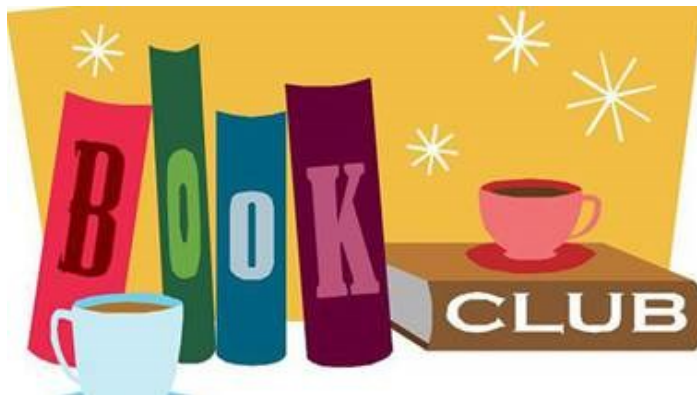
Please take some time to look over - and apply for - the scholarships and bursaries for May and June.

<https://scholarship12dl.weebly.com/may.html>

<https://scholarship12dl.weebly.com/june.html>

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at jfroess@sd62.bc.ca.

Mr. Froess



Our RBSS student Book Club has gone virtual! Mrs. Phillips has created a Google classroom with the code:
nbuecrb.

As always, new members are welcome. We are all about great conversations, with books as our jumping off place.

Come join in today!

Royal Bay Secondary Learning Commons

Hello from Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Martin, in the Library Learning Commons!

We wanted to reach out to let you know about some of the resources that are available on the RBSS Virtual Learning Commons (VLC), <http://rbslc.staff.sd62.bc.ca/>. This site has a number of tools and resources to support our families during this time.

You can find digital versions of textbooks [HERE](#), password: **rbss**

To support students with accessing reliable, vetted information our district subscribes to the BC Digital Classroom. These databases have been curated [HERE](#), username and password: **62RBS**

A number of students had signed out library books for Spring Break. At this time we ask that students continue to enjoy these; if they are finished with their books, please put them in a safe place and, when we get direction from the School District, we will send out more information about how we will work to get resources returned to the school.

As always, if you have any questions or need support with accessing resources, please reach out.

Be well,

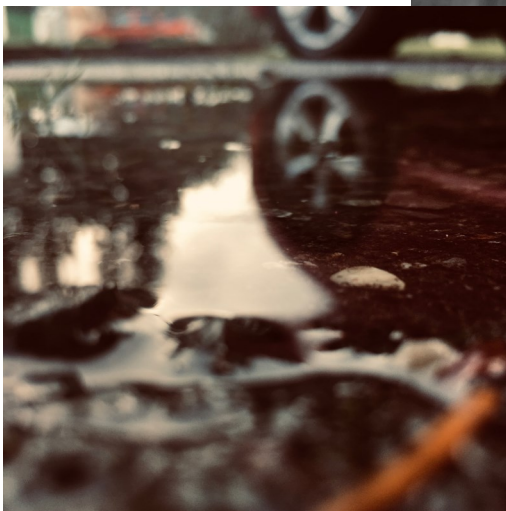
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Media Design

Media Design students continue to capture stunning and creative photos from their homes (around the world!). I can't tell you how much joy their creativity, humour and hard work has brought to our online classroom. Below you will find a variety of their creative challenges. Each challenge allows students to build their creative and problem solving skills while they work with perspective, framing, lighting and simply learning to notice details within their environment. Keep up the awesome work everyone, you are amazing! -Ms. Harris







YEARBOOK 2020!

Amidst our current situation, we find ourselves wondering when things will get back to normal while we strive for routine and consistency. Please know that the events and memories that celebrate the Royal Bay spirit will remain consistent and celebrated. Each year our students and families anticipate the annual distribution of the RBSS yearbook. This year is no different. Our yearbook students have done a wonderful job documenting the year's special events and continue to highlight positives among staff and students while we navigate COVID 19 and how we are working from a distance.

The 2020 edition will highlight the unique situation that we are faced with and attempt to showcase the perseverance, compassion, and creativity of the Royal Bay community. With this, the delivery of the annual has been changed to *September 2020* to allow the Yearbook committee sufficient time to edit the final copy. This will allow for our current situation to be documented and reflected upon.

A couple of years ago we switched our yearbook provider to one that would allow us to document the full year as opposed to the traditional period of September to Spring Break. This allowed our students to include school activities and events for the whole year. Although everyone is currently working away from the building, the 2020 yearbook will be able to document the different year that was...

For a sneak peak of what to expect, check out the most recent edition of the Raven's Nest newsletter to see the Yearbook and Grad Box covers. Also, please refer to the "RBSS Yearbook Call to Action" email that you (students, staff and parents) have been sent to see how you can contribute to this Yearbook. This is a unique situation where our students can be direct contributors to the yearbook – please send photos to Mr. MacRae kmacrae@sd62.bc.ca

Specific Yearbook 2020 details at a glance:

- Quantities are limited.

Yearbooks are \$55 and may be purchased through school cash online <https://sd62.schoolcashionline.com>

- Grad Boxes are \$15 also through school cash online.
- Yearbooks will be issued in September 2020. Arrangements will be made for Grads and those students who have moved on to pick up their yearbook or have it delivered if need be.



RBSS PAC Corner

Meetings will be held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the RBSS Learning Commons.



Please join us at our next RBSS PAC meeting
TBA
Room TBD

2019/2020 PAC Executive Members:

President: Larissa Coates
Vice President: Marianne Chase
Treasurer: Salome Crowley
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Are you a female-identified student who is interested
in a career in STEM?



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IN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

eMentoring is a **free** 6-week program that pairs girls in high schools across BC with female role models in science, tech, engineering and math careers.

Students and their mentors are sent weekly discussion questions, covering topics such as their career path, post-secondary life, work environments, finances, work/life balance, and what to do with your degree.

eMentoring is done entirely over email. The time commitment is approximately 1 hour a week.

Learn more about eMentoring: scwist.ca/programs/ms-infinity/

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