This Week in the Raven's Nest



Royal Bay Secondary School

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November 30 - December 4, 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



Contact Information

It is important for the school to have current and accurate email and phone numbers for all parents/guardians, as well as emergency contact people in the instance that we cannot reach a parent or guardian. Please ensure that contact details are up to date in the Parent Portal (<u>http://royalbay.web.sd62.bc.ca/</u> <u>parents/my-education-bc/</u>) and contact office staff with changes at <u>royalbay@sd62.bc.ca</u>. It is also imperative that all families have a pick-up plan for their children in case of road closures, inclement weather, or emergency.

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<u>This</u>	week:

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Tuesday	Wellness Centre—Appt. only
Wednesday	PAC Meeting
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Friday	

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Important dates to Remember:

December 2	PAC Meeting
December 7-16	Grad Pictures
December 18	Last Day before Winter Break
December 18	Octa 3 ends
January 4	School Reopens
January 4	Octa 4 starts
January 8	Report cards published—My Ed
January 29	Semester 1 Ends
February 1	Semester 2 Begins
February 1	Octa 4 ends
February 2	Octa 5 begins
February 12	NID—Tri-District
February 15	Family Day
March 3-6	Theatre Production—TBD
March 5	Octa 5 ends
March 8	Octa 6 starts
March 12	Report cards published - My Ed
March 12	Last Day before Spring Break
March 15-26	Spring Break—no school
March 29	School Re-opens
April 2	Good Friday—no school
April 5	Easter Monday—no school
April 7	PAC Meeting
April 23	Octa 6 Ends
April 30	Report cards Published—My Ed
May 5	PAC Meeting
May 14	NID- Pro-D no school
May 15	Dry Grad Carnival
May 17	Grad rehearsal UVic — tentative
May 24	Victoria Day—no school
May 27	Octa 7 ends
May 28	Octa 8 begins
May 28	R n B Night—tentative

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RBSS PAC Corner

Meetings will be held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm via MS Teams

Please join us at our next RBSS PAC meeting

December 2, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

If you wish to attend the online meeting please contact <u>royalbayPAC@gmail.com</u> if you have not previously attended a meeting, all previous guests are forwarded automatically. Thank you

2020-2021 PAC Executive Members:

President:	Larissa Coates	
Vice President:	Marianne Chase	
Treasurer:	Salome Crowley	
Secretary:	Cindy Fizzard	
SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Paula Wilson		
Communications Officer: Marie Worden		
PAC email: <u>royalbaypac@gmail.com</u>		

Remaining Meeting Dates for the 2020-2021 PAC

Year: February 3 March 3 April 7 May 5 (Election of President and Treasurer) June 2



From the Admin

Student Support at Royal Bay

With more than 1200 students currently at Royal Bay, we recognize that every student has a different style of learning. We are fortunate to have an amazing group of Learning Support Teachers and Educational Assistants to help make sure all individual learning needs are met. Currently, we have over two hundred students at Royal Bay on an Individualized Educational Plan. Leading the charge is Learning Support Department Head Greg Moyes. Greg is based out of our



learning support room, where along with other case managers Danni Dwinnell and Daryl Doerksen , they oversee all IEP's.





Skills For Life

Another important part of our student support services are our Skills for Life Programs also known as STRIDE and Excel. These programs offer a variety of learning opportunities as well as inclusion into Royal Bay for a variety of diverse learners.

Ashleigh Bowins Stride Teacher Breanna DeGirolamo Excel Teacher

Education Assistants

The heart and soul of our student support and skills for life programs are our dedicated EA's . Royal Bay is fortunate to have twenty of these amazingly dedicated people. Their roles are diverse but wherever they are they are supporting student learning.









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Around the Raven's Nest!

From the Socials Department



Ms. Huculak's Psychology 12 class embroiled in research and discussion

Mr. Simm's History 11/12 students are working on their essay that identifies and discusses key features of the Cold War. Are they smarter than everyone else? Mr. Simms tells them they are.



This and That

Wellness Centre hours will be

Tuesdays from 9:00-3:30.

Students will need to make an appointment.

Please call 250-519-3580

<u>Click here to go to the official Royal Bay Insta-</u> gram page





Student Parking is the lot past the turf fields ONLY. The front parking lots are for staff and guests. Here is the new link for students to register their

vehicles for a parking pass

https://forms-reg.sd62.bc.ca/royal-bay-vehicle-reg

RBSS PAC Fund Raising

New! Fundraising. Thank you for supporting your RBSS PAC:

Cobs Bread (Westshore)—mention RBSS at time of purchase Co-op Gas (any Peninsula location)—#134056

Coming soon ... virtual SPC discount cards. Make great stocking stuffers!

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<u>GRAD CORNER</u>



Grad Portrait Sittings and Yearbook Photos

Edge Imaging will be at Royal Bay Secondary December 7 - December 16 this year to take the graduate portraits. This will be done in room 1174 (located in the Neighborhood Learning Centre) using two photographers and following strict protocols approved by the BC Centre of Disease Control.

With new COVID protocols in place, all portrait bookings will be completed on line through Edge Imaging. The sitting fee will also be paid online directly to Edge Imaging when confirming the booking as cheques and cash are not able to be collected this year. Grad gowns and stoles will be provided by Edge Imaging and will be sanitized at the end of each day. The sitting fee is \$30 and will include all proofs from the session. If students do not wish to order graduate photos but want to be included in the yearbook grad photos, a \$5 fee will be charged which will include a 5x7 composite which students will receive in their grad folders. Families who may need support with these fees are asked to contact their Vice Principal of record.

Please be advised that the photos will only be taken with individual grads. No friend photos or portraits including pets of any kind will be permitted at this time as part of the COVID protocols. Should this situation change for the better, Edge Imaging has committed to opening a session in the spring to capture friend photos.

Royal Bay staff are asking students and parents to book portrait sessions opposite to their regularly scheduled classes. Students attending class in the morning session are asked to book photos in the afternoon session and vice versa. This will allow photos to occur but not impact the limited amount of time students have to complete their scheduled classes in this octant.

Students are asked to arrive to the portrait session in a mask, sanitize before their sitting and leave the room with a mask following the photo shoot. We are fortunate to be

able to continue with this tradition and appreciate your understanding in following these new protocols put in place for public health.



Please watch for the link to book grad photos on the Raven's app and website!

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Your Portrait Session

Times may be uncertain, but you can certainly carry on the tradition of marking this accomplishment with a classic portrait! Your professional portrait session includes traditional gown and sash poses on contemporary and traditional backgrounds.

*Sit fee details available online when you book your session.

More Options

Your safety and comfort is our top priority. We're working with each school to offer options that work best in your area. Your sitting options may include: more poses, casuals and Vintage Hollywood poses. View details on all your sitting options at bookmygrad.ca

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As part of our commitment to protecting students' health, Edge will not be providing props during your photo shoot. Please feel free to bring your own flowers, books, etc. to be photographed with during your session. For more information on our Covid photo day health & safety procedures, please visit edgeimaging.ca/FAQ poses and backgrounds may vary

Graduating Class Composite

Just like the one on your high school walls, you'll receive your own copy of a graduating class composite. Composites are typically handed out at Convocation or at the end of the school year.

A traditional portrait with a blue background will be provided to your school for the composite and yearbook

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*Composite size and folder inclusion vary by school. Details provided upon booking.

Book your session TODAY!

To book your Graduation Photo Session, grab your student card and go to bookmygrad.ca. Enter your school code and student number to get started.

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SCHOOL CODE:

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Senior Graduation 2 imaging **Book Your Portrait Session**





Congratulations on your Graduation

You've worked hard and it's time to celebrate.

Edge Imaging will be coming to your school to commemorate this milestone moment. Sign up soon so you can be sure to get the time slot that works best with your schedule.

Questions? Reach out to our experts if there's anything we can answer for you. customercare@edgeimaging.ca OR 888.416.3343 edgeimaging.ca/graduation

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It's that time of year again! Royal Bay Leadership students are putting on the 10,000 Tonight food drive over the course of 2 weeks, beginning Monday, November 30th through Friday, December 11th. 10,000 Tonight is the Westshore's largest nonperishable food drive. Last year, the 3 high schools in SD62 combined to donate over 30,000 items to local food banks in the Westshore.

All food/money collected at Royal Bay is donated to the Goldstream Food Bank.

Instead of going door to door, we will be collecting food and participating in a school-wide competition to see which class (both AM and PM) can collect the most! There will be individual boxes in each classroom where students can bring items from home and add them to their class collection bin each day. Prizes will be awarded to our top 3 classes.

There are other **2 OTHER** ways the community can get involved. Spread the word!

1. Donate via School Cash Online! Tax Receipt Provided. Visit our school webpage to find the link or click directly below:

https://sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/670/137/false/true?fundDestination=10,000%20Tonight%20Food% 20Drive%20-%20Royal%20Bay%20Family

2. Visit our community drive-thru drop off!

Tuesday, December 1st & 8th/Thursday, December 3rd & 10th.

Individuals can drive by and drop off any food items in front of the school between 4-7pm.



COVID SAFE PROTOCOLS for the DRIVE THRU EVENT

-Do not drop off food at the event if you or anyone in your household has symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

-Follow the appropriate signage and wait for instruction. You will be asked to stay in your vehicle. Please do not exit. Our volunteers will be there to take care of your donation.

-Please ensure your items are easily accessible for our volunteers to take (i.e. somewhere in your car [ex. the trunk] where there is no contact with any of the passengers). We would like the process to be as contactless as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email the Royal Bay leadership teachers.

Brian Hobson (<u>bhobson@sd62.bc.ca</u>) Sara Checkley (<u>scheckley@sd62.bc.ca</u>)



Scholarship Info

Link for the scholarship information / forms: <u>rbssscholarships.weebly.com</u>



For more information visit the Career Commons or contact

Ms. Harrington or M	Mrs. Glanfield
<u>lharrington@sd62.bc.ca</u> mglar	nfield@sd62.bc.ca
Name of Scholarship	Date Due
Remax Quest for Excellence Scholarship	Open Now
UBC Major Entrance Scholarship	December 1
Soroptomist International of Victoria Westshore	December 1
Schulich Leader Scholarships	January 15, 2021

Watch this space for upcoming information about scholarships!



intheknow Information and Support

For families and caring adults who are parenting a child or youth with mental health challenges.

IN THE KNOW PROVIDES EXPERT SPEAKERS ON TOPICS IMPORTANT TO FAMILIES. CONNECT AND LEARN WITH OTHER FAMILIES FOR AN ONLINE DISCUSSION - JOIN BY COMPUTER OR PHONE.

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CONNECTING WITH OUR KIDS WHEN ANXIETY LEADS TO SOCIAL ISOLATION.

Parenting when our kid's anxiety leads to social isolation is hard for everyone. A parent and counsellor talk about what anxiety and social isolation are, what it can look like and feel like for our kids and at home, strategies families can try and how important it is to connect with our children before doing the hard work of trying new things.

Registration Required: www.familysmart.ca/itk

FamilySmart



Communities: Victoria Cost: Free of Charge Date: Tuesday, November 24 at 4:00pm

Discussion facilitated by FamilySmart Parent in Residence

Watch a video with us and come together with other families for a facilitated discussion.

familysmart.ca

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