

This Week in the Raven's Nest



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November 16 - November 20, 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



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This week:

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| Monday | |
| Tuesday | Wellness Centre—Appt. only |
| Wednesday | Octa 2 Ends |
| Thursday | Early Dismissal/Learning Conferences Octa 3 Begins |
| Friday | NID— Pro-D no school |

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Important dates to Remember:

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| November 18 | Octa 2 ends |
| November 19 | Octa 3 starts |
| November 19 | Early Dismissal—Learning Conferences |
| November 20 | NID—Pro-D |
| November 20 | Music Winter Show |
| November 25 | Report cards published—My Ed |
| 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 |

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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 royalbayPAC@gmail.com 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

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Remaining Meeting Dates for the 2020-2021 PAC

Year:

February 3

March 3

April 7

May 5

(Election of President and Treasurer)

June 2





Parent/Student/Teacher “VIRTUAL” Learning Conferences Thursday, November 19, 2020 from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Student/Parent/Teacher Learning Conferences Appointment Booking Calendar was available starting Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 6 pm and will be closing at 10 pm on Wednesday, November 18, 2020.

Having your child be a part of this process promotes ownership and understanding of the student’s learning. If your schedule does not permit for you to book a convenient time or the requested teacher’s blocks are booked, please contact the teacher through email found on the Royal Bay website under Staff for an alternate time to communicate your child’s progress. Thank you.

All conferences will be held “VIRTUALLY”. No appointments will be in person.

Please use the link below for registration and access to bookings:

<https://royalbay.schoolappointments.com>

November 19th

Please note that we will be running on a special schedule on Thursday, November 19th to allow for Parent/Student/Teacher Learning Conferences. Secondary Learning Conferences will be held remotely on Thursday, November 19th, from 1:30pm-3:30pm and can be scheduled through <https://royalbay.schoolappointments.com>. Teachers will send parents a link to a MS Teams or Google Meet meeting – conferences will be online, not in person. If this timing is not convenient, parents can request a phone call or online meeting with a teacher at any point throughout the school year by contacting their student’s teacher directly. Class schedules will also be adjusted to allow teachers time for the conferences.

The schedule for November 19th will be:

AM Cohort: 9:00 am – 11: 00 am

PM Cohort: 11:30 am- 1:30 pm

Staff availability to Parents & Students for Communicating Student Learning: 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

For bussing students, please pay careful attention to notices from transportation. Given that November 19th is an unique schedule, and bus routes will not yet be updated to match Octa 3 class placements, it may be a good day for families to use transportation options other than school busses.



Lest WE Forget

On November 10th students and staff created a beautiful video for our Remembrance Day Ceremony. We were able to recognize this important day with the help of our entire school community. The video attached below was the result of hard work from many students and staff. We are very proud of the final result and wanted to share it with you – our home community. Special thanks to Jay Larson, our film teacher, for all his work on behalf of RBSS.

<https://youtu.be/HB3on7Jh6BI>



This and That

Purdy's Seasonal Chocolate



Buy some chocolate and support RBSS Grad and Music Program in the process. To purchase, click [here](#). Follow our '[How to Order Guide](#)' and place your order by November 25th to ensure you receive your holiday chocolates on time. Orders will be delivered to the school December 5th and will be distributed shortly after.

Thank you in advance for supporting RBSS Programs.



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

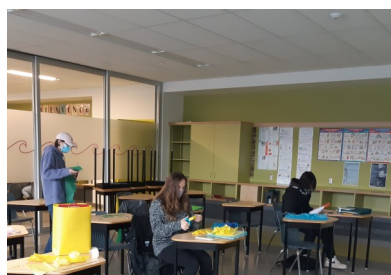
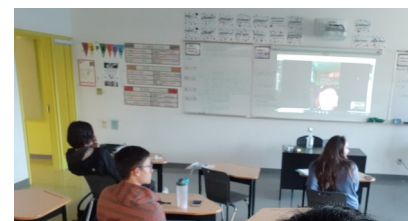
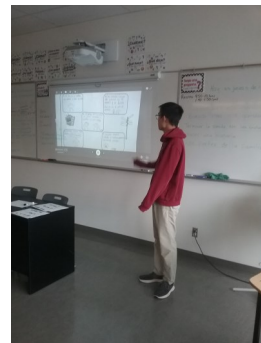
Coming soon ... virtual SPC discount cards. Make great stocking stuffers!

Around the Raven's Nest!

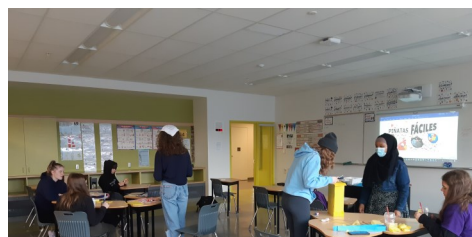
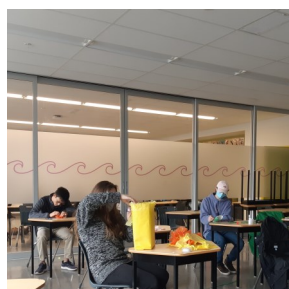
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[Note that there are only capitals on the first letter for the Spanish and French versions of the title 😊]

Bienvenido y bienvenue to a new feature of our weekly newsletter where we show a snapshot of what's happening around the school. As you have probably guessed from the title, this week we are focusing on the Languages Department. At Royal Bay we are fortunate to have exciting and thriving programs in both Spanish and French. Our four language teachers (Madame Chalmers, Señora Haddon, Señora Treminio and Señora White) offer language instruction from beginner level, grade 9 and intro 11, through to grade 12. For the second and third octas, we have a student teacher, Kay Gallivan, joining us in Spanish 9 and 12 classes. Our programs are built around comprehensible input techniques (AIM for French and TPRS for Spanish) with a focus on storytelling, acting and the natural acquisition of language in a fast-paced, fun environment. Students achieve a high level of fluency in French and Spanish over their four years at Royal Bay, which looks great on a resume, helps them get in to university and makes travelling easier for the rest of their lives; it also makes them sound very cool. Parents, keep in mind that one of the great perks of having a child in a language class is that they can come home and teach you!



Senora Treminio
Spanish class making
pinatas



Senora Treminio RBSS
Making Pinatas for the
Spanish classes



Sooke School District
Shaping Tomorrow Today

10,000 Tonight

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 non-perishable 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.



We know that with the current circumstances, 10,000 Tonight is going to look a bit different this year. 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 Royal Bay families and the extended community can get involved.

Donate via School Cash Online! Tax Receipt Provided. Follow the link:

www.sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/670/137/false/true?fundDestination=10%2C000%20Tonight%20Food%20Drive%20-%20Royal%20Bay%20Family



OR

Visit our community drive-thru drop off! On Tuesday December 1st and 8th, and Thursday December 3rd and 10th. Individuals can drive by and drop off (contactless) any food items in front of the school between 4-7pm. COVID safe protocols will be in place.

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

Brian Hobson (bhobson@sd62.bc.ca)

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Scholarship Info

Link for the scholarship information / forms:

rbssscholarships.weebly.com



For more information visit the Career Commons or contact

Ms. Harrington

or

Mrs. Glanfield

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| <u>Name of Scholarship</u> | <u>Date Due</u> |
|---|------------------|
| Remax Quest for Excellence Scholarship | Open Now |
| TD Scholarships for Community Leadership | November 13 |
| 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!

Are you looking for a way to connect virtually with mentors in the fields of Engineering? Then check out High Tech U!



**University
of Victoria**

Engineering

Based in the [UVic Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering](#), [HighTechU](#) is an innovative learning community for high-school-aged youth in British Columbia to make connections, build professional skills, and explore diverse education and career pathways related to technology. (all programs will be held virtually)



Congratulations Lacrosse Academy Players



Congratulations to Noah Manning, lacrosse academy student, who on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 signed his national letter of intent to attend Denver University .



Dylan Johannes signing his national letter of intent to attend and play division 1 lacrosse at Fairfield University in Connecticut.



Joel McCormick signing his national letter of intent to attend and play Division 1 lacrosse at Stony Brook University in New York.

'in**the**know'

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.

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.

Communities: Victoria

Cost: Free of Charge

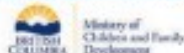
Date: Tuesday, November 24 at 4:00pm

Discussion facilitated by FamilySmart Parent in Residence

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

Registration Required: www.familysmart.ca/itk

familysmart.ca



PARENTING A PRETEEN?

PARENTING WITHOUT POWER STRUGGLES

This program helps parents of preteens gain confidence, discover practical tips and resources, and find support from other parents

WEDNESDAYS, 11:00AM - 12:30PM

LOCATION: ONLINE PARENTING GROUP

COSTS: BY DONATION

TO PRE-REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT:

Deanna Riedke 250-686-9122

Lisa Hoffman 250 217-4929

E: parentingprograms@bgcvic.org

New!



Boys & Girls Club
of Greater Victoria



Boys & Girls Clubs
of Canada

BGCC - Parenting Programs were developed by staff and parents throughout BC and is administered under the auspices of Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada. Provincially, Parenting Programs are generously funded by the Ministry of Children and Family Development.