

# This Week in the Raven's Nest



## Royal Bay Secondary School

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### May 17 — May 21, 2021

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 Nuuchahnulth 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 — Nuuchahnulth



### This week :

Monday	
Tuesday	Wellness Centre—Appointments only
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

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## Important dates to Remember:

May 24	Victoria Day—no school
May 27	Octa 7 ends
May 28	Octa 8 begins
May 28	R n B Night—tentative
June 3	Report cards published— My Ed
June 3	Year End Music Concert—tentative
June 5	Dry Grad Livestream Prize Giveaway
June 9-10	RBSS Spring Dance Performances—tentative
June 16	Year End Dance Show—tentative
June 23,24,25	Grad Ceremonies—times to be announced
June 28	Octa 8 Ends
June 29	Last Day of school

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## RBSS PAC Corner

## 2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

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

Please join us at our next RBSS PAC meeting

June 2, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

If you wish to attend the online meeting please contact [royalbayPAC@gmail.com](mailto:royalbayPAC@gmail.com) if you have not previously attended a meeting, all previous guests are forwarded automatically.  
Thank you

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# EVERY FRIDAY IS SPIRIT WEAR DAY

### Get Your Spirit Wear!

You can purchase Spirit Wear using the [school cash online system](#) or by bringing your payment to the office!

Visit us in the school store every Wednesday from 11:40-12:40! Bring your receipts to pick up your clothing!

Sizes include:  
S, M, L, XL

Mugs \$10

T-Shirts \$10

Hoodies \$40



# From the Admin.

## Introducing the new Rainbow Crosswalk at RBSS!

Today's painting of the Rainbow Crosswalk at RBSS was the culmination of a student led initiative to acknowledge equity, reconciliation and community here at our school and in our larger community. Students and staff (led by Danielle Huculak) worked incredibly hard on this project over the last several months. Much planning, prepping and organizing went into this "district first" crosswalk. Our students helped our district painter, Todd McElroy, make this a reality. Todd and Danielle were instrumental and worked with an amazing group of talented and focused students to make this happen at Royal Bay. This crosswalk will only add to the strong socially minded culture at the school. Education is about allowing students to find their voice and stand up for what they believe in - this is an example of student success and community spirit.

Well done Ravens!





# Around the Raven's Nest!



## TASK Graduates of 2016 and 2017



One of the best parts of being a teacher is witnessing student success and seeing young people follow their passions. RBSS in partnership with Camosun College has been fortunate to offer an amazing trades program to students interested in a career in the trades. The TASK Program (Trades Awareness Skills and Knowledge) is a dual credit program offered through Royal Bay and Camosun College to help students find a passion in the trades. It is not for the faint of heart, it is a fully integrated program where the students are in a trades program for one entire semester working with Red Seal Teachers from both RBSS and Camosun College. They earn skills and credits in several different trades areas and take part in a work placement program. Many of our students successfully transition to apprenticeship programs and are often sponsored through their schooling. The four students in the above picture are graduates of our first couple of TASK program back in 2016 and 2017. These young men have gone on to great success and are now entering their final years of their apprenticeships.

It was a pleasure to welcome them back to their "old" high school. They were fantastic students while here and are now even better ambassadors of the school and the TASK program. Our program has made several wonderful partnerships with local businesses. The TASK program has enjoyed a very productive relationship with Dave Haydar and Farmer's Construction. Dave and Farmer's have supported us from the very beginning, sponsoring students and coming into the class to be guest presenters. KD Johnson has also been a tremendous support. The four students above have all gone on to pursue careers in the trades.

From Left to Right

Kevin Weeks - Foreman of a Foundation Crew for KD Johnson

Floyd Dobell - 4th year Carpentry Apprentice at Farmer's Construction

Jason Thomsen - 3rd year Carpentry Apprentice at Farmer's Construction

Cody Weeks - 2nd year Carpentry Apprentice at KD Johnson

Congratulations Kevin, Floyd, Jason and Cody. We are delighted with your successes!!

Mike Huck

Principal

# Around the Raven's Nest cont.

## ACADEMIES

### BOYS' LACROSSE ACADEMY



Our Junior and Senior Lacrosse Academies finished their blocks for the year, but still continue on part time with their enrichment sessions. It's been a great year and students are looking forward to what next year has in store!

We received some exciting news about 2020 Alumni Aidan Solomon, who recently won the GLVC Conference Championship with his team, the University of Indianapolis! The team moves onto the NCAA tournament where only 10 teams play, and they are ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the nation. Good luck to Aidan and the Greyhounds!

### DANCE ACADEMY

We've been keeping busy in our Dance Academy classes with photoshoots and different dance styles! This semester, each Academy is performing in a live streamed virtual show. It's been amazing to get back into the theatre, and even though there hasn't been a physical audience in attendance, it has been one of the greatest experiences of the year! It has been fantastic preparing costumes and seeing the artistic visions come to life. At the end of their Octa, each class will perform 7 group numbers, and showcase their own choreography virtually.



# Around the Raven's Nest cont.

## **SOCCER ACADEMY**



We are thrilled to welcome Lindsay Machin and Ken Goodland to our Academies Department. They are covering John Mennie's leave and have been great additions to our program. Our Soccer Academy classes continue to enjoy their partnership with Pacific Fleet Club and are working hard on honing their skills.

## **GIRLS' LACROSSE ACADEMY**

We are ecstatic that our Girls' Lacrosse Program continues to grow every year! Our last block together is in sunny Oct 8 and both students and teachers are looking forward to playing Lacrosse in the sun! Our girls are working hard to refine their fundamental skills with the hopes of more playing and travel time next year.





# This and That



To purchase viewing access please  
purchase your ticket at

[SchoolCashOnline.com: Items](https://sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Items)

For a preview see link below:

<https://youtu.be/vVmvvgBF11QI>

## Grad 2022 Pinnies - \$45.00—Due Friday, May 21, 2021

In an effort to make next year as normal as possible for our Grad class of 2022, we are selling Grad 2022 Pinnies NOW, for a mid-June delivery date. We want all 2022 Grads to be wearing their Grad pinnie on the first day of school in September!

### PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Please submit payment with your completed order form by cheque (made out to SD62) or cash to Mr. Burgess' room (2146), the Office, or the Learning Commons.
- Payment ONLY can also be made through School Cash On-line. A Paper order form must be completed. There is no sizing or nickname option available on-line.

The link can be found here: <https://sd62.schoolcashonline.com/Home/SignIn>

- Parents may sign-in to their account if they have used the account previously to pay for other school fees. Otherwise, create a new account. The price of the pinnie is \$45, plus a \$1.50 processing fee for School Cash On-line.





# Grad Corner



## 2021 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

Wednesday, June 23 Thursday, June 24 Friday, June 25	Grad Ceremonies will be held in the Royal Bay Theatre  More information and times to follow
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"To all current grads: the dry grad committee will be holding an **Instagram livestream prize giveaway on June 5.** Every grad is eligible to win prizes from gift cards all the way to our grand prize of \$1000 cash!! Please follow "royal bay dry grad" on Instagram for updates and to participate in this year's giveaway! Your name will be automatically entered"




### Grad Rock Painting

"Kindness for the Future" Painted Rocks Hey Grads!  
This is your opportunity to make the World a happier place. Grad students will be given the opportunity to paint a message of "Kindness for the Future" on a rock. Essentially, a message of inspiration to future students at Royal Bay. Then have that rock placed somewhere in the community (i.e. much like the Sidney to Sooke Rock movement.) Grads are asked to visit the Learning Commons at any time, where Ms. Phillips will have a cart full of cleaned, beach rocks and acrylic markers available to you.  
Get your art on!



# Opportunities



**Earn a course credit and build your resume in this summer garden program**

**SUMMER GARDEN OPPORTUNITY**




**TO APPLY PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL DESCRIBING YOUR INTEREST TO:**  
mkiernshaw@sd62.bc.ca

**WHAT IS THIS?**  
This is an agroecological work experience program. Agroecology is the study of the interactions between plants, animals, humans and the environment within food production systems.  
We will work and learn in two large school gardens, helping care for and harvest these spaces throughout the summer. This program aims to introduce interested students to the possibilities of regenerative agriculture and traditional food systems, to help empower a fourth kind: biobiverse food future.

**WHAT DO I GET?**  
Participating students will learn about:  
• Growing their own food  
• Restoring degraded landscapes to health  
• Building bird and bee habitat  
• Harvesting, cooking, preserving local food  
• Developing a sustainable business  
• Communicating effectively to different audiences  
• Further opportunities to pursue a sustainable livelihood  
Everyone who completes this program will receive 4 credits for completing Work Experience 12A or 12B.

**SCHEDULE**  
Wednesday and Thursday  
10:00 - 4:30  
July 5 - August 26

**LOCATION**  
Wednesday - Royal Bay Secondary  
Thursday - Edwina Mine Community School




**Mom's Mental Health Toolkit**

**May 31st to June 28th**  
**Every Monday for five weeks**  
**Registration required**



## **Saanich Neighbourhood Place**

Mom's Mental Health Toolkit is a five week series, every Monday from May 31st to June 28th, 12-1:30pm, facilitated by Brianna Halstead and Robin Kiernan. For more information and registration details, please contact [family@snplace.org](mailto:family@snplace.org)



# Opportunities



# CECUWATUL

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HOLDING EACH OTHER UP

This June and July, we are offering fourteen FREE virtual workshops and activities for queer, trans, and Two-Spirit youth to connect with each other, share knowledge, and learn about 2SLGBTQ+ resources and leadership. Click [here](#) for more information. If you are a queer, trans, Two-Spirit, Indigiqueer, questioning, or allied youth (2SLGBTQ+) between the ages of 13-21, you are welcome to register now through this [link](#)!

