This week in The Raven's Nest



École Royal Bay Secondary School

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November 15 - November 19, 2021

We would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation and Songhees Nation on which Ecole 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	Wellness Centre 9:30-1:00
Wednesday	Report Cards Published in My Ed
Thursday	Early Dismissal Learning Conferences
Friday	Professional Development Day—no school



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Important dates to Remember:

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November 17	Report Cards published in My Ed
November 18	Early Dismissal—Learning Conferences
November 19	NID—Professional Development—no school
December 1	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
December 2	Music Winter Concert—TBA
December 14 & 15	Winter Dance Performances
December 16	Winter Formal—TBA
December 17	Santa Breakfast
December 17	Last Day before Winter Break
Dec.17 to Jan. 3, 2022	Winter Break
January 4, 2022	School Reopens
January 5	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
February 2	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
February 7	Report Cards Published in My Ed
February 10	Jazz Alive
February 18	NID—Professional Day— no school
February 21	Family Day—no school
March 2	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
March 9 –12	Theatre Production—Pippin
March 18	Last Day before Spring Break
Mar 21 to April 1	Spring Break
April 6	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
April 7	Early Dismissal—Learning Conferences
April 8	NID—Professional Development—no school
April 15	Good Friday—no school
April 18	Easter Monday—no school
May 4	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
May 13	NID—Professional Development—no school
May 23	Victoria Day—no school
May 25	Grad Rehearsal At UVic (tentative)
June 1	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
June 5	Grad @ UVic (tentative)
June 9	Year—End Music Concert
June 10	R & B Social (tentative)

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RBSS PAC Corner

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

Please join us at our next RBSS PAC

December 1 @ 6:30 Location: TBA

Meeting Dates for 2021-2022

January 5 February 2 March 2 April 6 May 4 (elections) June 1

2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

President:	Ma	arianne Chase
Vice President:	Mich	elle Alexander
Treasurer:	Sa	alome Crowley
Secretary:	Pegg	i-Ann Marcoux
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Communications Offic	er:	Caroline Aked
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The Dry Grad Carnival Committee is looking for enthusiastic parents (of ANY grade) to join our team!

We meet once a month to plan an amazing event for our graduates!

If you are interested in finding out more about the event and/or would like to join our committee, please email <u>rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com</u>

Our first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 16 November at 6:30pm** in the Learning Commons.

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From the Admin.

Remembrance Day Assembly

Prior to March 2020 it was a given that all school assemblies take place in person. Although nothing replaces the power of gathering as an entire school community we have been forced to explore different ways of communicating with our student population. One of the innovations that our media, music and drama departments have taken part in is our virtual Remembrance Day Ceremony.

On November 10th the Royal Bay community celebrated our second virtual Remembrance Day. Our entire population gathered in their individual classrooms, rose for the national anthem and participated in a community remembrance of the sacrifices other Canadians have made. Thank you to all for participating in this unconventional version of a traditional ceremony. If you would like to see this year's assembly please follow the link below.

Remembrance Day 2021 - YouTube

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November 15—November 17, 2021

	<u>Item</u>	Monday	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot main	Pasta in cream sauce	Poutine	Grilled cheese and tomato soup	Closed for Learning conferences
	Vegetarian	Pasta in cream sauce	Poutine	Grilled cheese and tomato soup	
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Ham and cheese	Greek chicken	Steak	
	Appie	Potato skins	Potato skins	Potato skins	
BAKING	Cookies	Pecan/ Choc chip/ snickerdoodle	Choc rye/ ginger/ crackle	CWC/ oatmeal/ jam drop	
	Dessert	Cheese cake/ tiramisu	Cheese cake/ tiramisu	Cheese cake/ tiramisu	





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From the Library Learning Commons

Do you love to read? Do you love to chat about books?

Then you should come to the RBSS Student **Book Club** We meet every second Friday at lunch in the Learning Commons Our next November date is; November 26



@rbslearningcommons students

Students follow us on Instagram for news from the library and weekly chances to win prizes!

First 100 students to borrow a book this month get a scratch n sniff pizza bookmark!



RBSS Early Dismissal and Learning Conferences November 18, 2021

Dear Royal Bay Families,

Beginning on Friday, November 12, 2021 at 9:00 am we will be opening our booking system for the *virtual* parent-teacher interviews until Wednesday, November 17th at 12:00 pm. Interviews will be held on Thursday, November 18th *online through MS Teams* from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm & 5:00 pm to 7:00pm. If you prefer a phone call to online, please contact your child's teacher.

Here is how you book an appointment:

https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/ EcoleRoyalBaySecondarySchool@sd62.bc.ca/bookings/

If you are unable to book online please call our front office at 250-474-2377 beginning Friday, November 12, 2021 after 10:00 am. If you are unable to book an appointment with a teacher due to availability, or if there is a unique reason that makes it necessary for a parent to meet face to face with a teacher, please contact the teacher to set an alternate time.

Teacher contacts can be found RBSS Staff List .

Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child and their teachers.

Mike Huck

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RBSS Early Dismissal and Learning Conferences

November 18, 2021, cont.

Learning Conferences & Early Dismissal - November 18, 2021 Bell Schedule

Bell Schedule	Block Rotation	
Block B	9:00 - 9:40	
Block A	9:45 - 10:25	
BREAK	10:25 - 10:40	
Block D	10:40 - 11:20	
Block C	11:25 - 12:05	

Bussing and student Pick-Up

This first busses for student pick-up start arriving at RBSS is at 12:20 pm.

Conference Schedule

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From Westshore Centre for Learning

Here is the booking link for parents to book a student learning conference with their child's online learning teacher.

<u>https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/</u> <u>StudentLearningConferencesWestShoreLangford@sd62.bc.ca/bookings/</u>

Parents can choose an in-person appointment at WestShore Langford Campus or an online appointment.

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Príncípal - WestShore Langford Campus

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Around the Raven's Nest!

the Phys. Ed Department

We remind ourselves frequently how fortunate we are to have access to such beautiful spaces: a fully equipped weight room, 2 gyms, an indoor turf space, as well as the track, grass and turf fields outside! Of course, all of those are currently jam-packed with students being active every single day. But we wouldn't have it any other way!!

PE 9/10 & ACTIVE LIVING

Classes with Mr. Hobson, Mr. Harris, Ms. Torbohm and Mr. Sundher have been getting used to the hustle and bustle of daily physical activity. While students have gone through some of the typical sport offerings (Basketball, Volleyball, Badminton, Lacrosse, etc.), this year we've also introduced three new units:

-- Indigenous Games

-- International games from around the world (ex. Tchoukball -- see if you can pronounce that one!)

-- Adapted/Modified Games (ask students about GoalBall)

SPORTS PERFORMANCE

A new course, Futsal, offered this year, has students getting schooled in all the skills required to play this highly technical sport by Mr. Schwertfeger

In Volleyball, Ms. MacKinnon has been sharpening the skills of her Volleyball 11/12 students at the perfect time of year...right in the heart of volleyball season!

Our large group of Grade 9/10 junior basketball players, as well as our senior 11/12 basketball class, have gotten the opportunity to to improve their skills every single day with Mr. Harrington and Mr. Sundher. Future NBA stars in the making!

FITNESS & CONDITIONING



Students have been working on their own plans with teacher support (Fitness and Conditioning) or working to improve their athletic performance through weight training, as well as speed/agility training (Cross-Training). These students can't be accused of not working hard every day!

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From the Saanich Police Department

Good Day,

As per last week we are continuing to work with the University of Victoria and other Stakeholders to ensure safety at the campus. Please try and remind your high-schools to avoid the University Campus. We are seeing students from all three school districts that are attending the University contrary to restrictions in place at the University. We are not wanting to have to take enforcement actions and believe that communication is key to avoiding enforcement actions. However, there will continue to be an increased police presence at the University at their request to ensure public safety.

As trusted and respected representatives of your school districts, I am asking for your assistance in disseminating this messaging to your high school students regarding unauthorized parties and gatherings at the University of Victoria (UVic).

UVic has had ongoing issues surrounding large crowds, unlawful behaviours, and general disorder on weekends throughout the Fall semester. It has come to the attention of UVic and the Saanich Police Department that many of the participants are high school students and persons from outside our local community. UVic would like to remind high school students that gathering, loitering, or congregating at non-university events by persons who are not UVic community members (students, employees, and faculty) are prohibited on all property owned or occupied by UVic. UVic has requested the proactive assistance of the Saanich Police Department to prevent a recurrence of these concerning events through the enforcement of the *Trespass Act* and other related statutes.

If you could please consider sending the above messaging to your high schools and parent groups it would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Saanich Police Department

Community Engagement Division

School Liaison Officer/Safe Place Coordinator



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This and That

Grade 9 Immunizations

Immunization consent packages for grade 9 students will be sent home shortly. Follow the instructions inside the consent package and return the signed consent form to the school **no later than November 22, 2021**.

Students in grade 9 will be offered immunizations in school-based clinics. Please discuss the information in the consent package with your child and include them in the decision to provide consent for immunization. This is an opportunity for adolescents to start making decisions about their own health.

Immunizations will be provided at the school for grade 9 students on January 6th & 7th, 2022.

A grade 9 student can make an informed decision about immunization regardless of their parent/ guardian/representative decision to consent or refuse immunization.

For more information visit HealthLinkBC: <u>The Infants Act, Mature Minor Consent and</u> <u>Immunization.</u>

Contact the local Health Unit at 250-519-3490 if you have any questions.



Click here to go to the official Royal Bay Instagram page



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This and That



Ms. Andersen's Life Science 11 Classes

Students from LeAnn Andersen's Life Sciences 11 joined Elder Henry Chipps (Scianew) and Indigenous Role Model Alana Johnson at **S**, **ELEKTEL** (Goldstream Park) to explore the Salmon Run. The students learned about the significance of the salmon cycle and the seasonality of this place. We all enjoyed traditional foods and spending time by the campfire! A perfect day on Coast Salish territory.







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Grad Corner





2022 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

December 6 – 15, 2021	Grad Photos
Thursday, December 16	Winter Formal (TBA)
February 15-16, 2022	Photo Re-Takes
Friday, February 11	Valedictorian Nominations sent to mlait@sd62.bc.ca
Tuesday, March 8	Online Voting for Valedictorian
Friday, March 11	Grad Comments and Grad Ceremony graduation fee due!
Saturday, May 14	Dry Grad Carnival at RBSS
Wednesday, May 25	Grad Rehearsal at UVic (tentative)
Sunday, June 5	Grad Ceremony at UVic (tentative)
Friday, June 17	Prom at Empress (tentative)

Grad Corner, cont.

Grad Photos - Book Your Studio Sitting Now!

Below are the graduation milestone photo days we have scheduled for École Royal Bay Secondary School for the 2021/2022 academic year:



Photo days: December 6th - 10th and December 13th - 15th, 2021 in the RBSS Conference Room.

Have your student sign up for an appointment HERE

Questions?? Reach out to Ms. Phillips tphillips@sd62.bc.ca

Please note that the site is only available for booking/changes to midnight the day prior to the event. Students cannot sign up on the day of. If they miss the opportunity to book an appointment please contact Robyn Steed, from Edge Imaging, 250-228-1410 or rsteed@edgeimaging.ca to see what openings are available for walk-ins, or enquire at our welcome desk outside the photo area (Conference Room at RBSS Dec 6-10 and 13-15).

There is no guarantee we can accommodate walk-ins but will do our best.



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Scholarship Opportunites

Upcoming November Scholarships

TD Scholarship for Community Leadership

Due: November 15, 2021

Launchpad Scholarship by Tundra Technical

Due: November 15, 2021

Queen's University Major Admissions Award

Due: November 20, 2021

More information on these scholarships (and others) can be found on the school scholarship page: https://rbssscholarships.weebly.com/

Visit the Career Commons or email Ms. Harrington at

lharrington@sd62.bc.ca for help.





Take Our Kids To Work Day 2021

Traditionally, Take Our Kids To Work Day has been an event that grade 9 students participate in each November. With many work environments changed due to COVID restrictions, this year, Take Our Kids To Work Day will not run as it has before.

The Careers Department is endeavouring to offer students in all grades an opportunity to explore a variety of careers during a Careers Exploration Day in Spring 2022. Grade 9 students will be able to participate in this, and sign up to attend information sessions for careers they have an interest in. This event has run very successfully in the past, and will take the place of Take Our Kids To Work Day for the 2021-22 school year. More information will be forthcoming about Careers Exploration Day – please stay tuned.

Upcoming Discover Post-Secondary Events

Camosun College



Nov. 24, 2021 <u>Community, Family, and Child Services (CFCS) Info Sessions</u> 4:30pm - 5:30pm Online

Langara College

One-on-one Zoom <u>Drop-in sessions</u> daily from Monday to Friday (2 pm – 4 pm)



Discover UVic

If you're thinking about applying for undergraduate studies at UVic, join us for an online Discover UVic event and learn what it really means to be a UVic student.

More than just getting into university, we'll explore the possibilities and what your education can be. You'll hear about our co-op program and why hands -on learning is so important, how you can engage with your surroundings, and how our community can inspire you to succeed.

<u>Schedule</u>

November 15, 4:00PM | Register

November 23, 4:00PM |Register

Vancouver Island University

Recruitment Zoom Drop-In - Connect with a recruiter one-on-one by joining our Zoom drop-in, available Monday through Thursdays **from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.**....<u>click here to join us</u>. Check out our programs and services <u>here</u>.

Opportunities



PARENTS AS EDUCATION AND CAREER COACHES -SOOKE SCHOOL DISTRICT 62

VIRTUAL ZOOM SESSION

AN INTERACTIVE SESSION DESIGNED TO SUPPORT PARENTS IN GUIDING THEIR STUDENT IN MAKING INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR EDUCATION AND CAREER CHOICES AFTER HIGH SCHOOL.



What you can expect:

- Overview of all the resources available on EducationPlannerBC.ca
- Discover the different pathways available for students
- Supports available at post-secondary institutions
- Tips on scholarships and financial aid
- Q & A

Date: Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021 Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm Registration is required. To register, **click here**.

https://sfu.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Yud-2ppjojG9eyWySWClS10SI7GD6EBo8q

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CHARTERED COMPTABLES PROFESSIONAL PROFESSIONNELS ACCOUNTANTS AGRÉÉS CANADA CANADA

The Chartered Professional Accounts of BC is delighted to invite high school students to our free virtual event on <u>Money Basics for Teens</u>.

This FREE virtual event is for **youth between the ages of 15-17** who want to get a head start with information that will help teens make good financial decisions before high school graduation. They will also have the chance to win some fun prizes!

Attendees will learn topics that will help them manage money – including budgeting, debt, financial goal setting, student loans, and much more.

They will be offering two opportunities. Please register for only <u>one</u> session as they are both the same.

Money Basics for Teens

Date: Thursday, December 2, 2021 Time: 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Cost: Free Audience: Youth ages 15-17 Registration link: <u>Click Here</u>

OR

Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 Time: 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm Cost: Free Audience: Youth ages 15-17 Registration link: <u>Click Here</u>



Don't Forget to Pack Your Mask



The Witness Blanket Exhibition At Cedar Hill Recreation and Arts Centre

https://www.saanich.ca/EN/main/news-events/ events-list/saanich-community-events/exhibitionsat-cedar-hill-recreation-and-arts-centre-4.html



Hiring Youth Health Ambassadors

to host conversations about youth health in your community

Youth Health Ambassadors

McCreary Centre Society is hiring youth in Grades 8–11 to become Youth Health Ambassadors! Youth Health Ambassadors will be part of a team of youth across BC who are hosting conversations with their peers about the health issues that are important to them. Information from these conversations will ensure the health issues that are important to young people in your school and community are included in an upcoming provincial survey.

About the position

- > We are looking for young people who are passionate about working with youth from across BC, and who want to hear from other young people in their community.
- > October 2021–March 2022, \$16.50 per hour (approximately 4 hours per month).
- > Online training and support will be provided. No experience necessary
- > We particularly welcome Indigenous youth, LGBTQ2S+ youth, youth with a disability, youth in small communities, and visible minority youth to join.

About McCreary

McCreary Centre Society is a BC charity. We do the BC Adolescent Health Survey with young people in Grades 7–12 every 5 years. The survey gives us a picture of what it is like to be a youth in BC today, and is used by schools, government, and others to understand and improve youth health. For example, when we last did the survey in 2018 we saw that more young people were experiencing challenges with their mental health, so we knew this had to be an area to focus more supports and resources in.



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CAREERS, TRADES, & TRANSITIONS INFORMATION EVENING

DECEMBER 7, 2021 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Online Event - REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO EVENT CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

LEARN MORE ABOUT DISTRICT-WIDE CAREER AND TRANSITION OPPORTUNITIES IN A VARIETY OF PATHWAYS

- Middle School
- High School
- Post-Secondary
- YWT Apprenticeships
- Q&A Opportunity

For more information, please contact Dante Di Ponio ddiponio@sd62.bc.ca

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Are you thinking about SFU as an option for postsecondary? Join the SFU admissions webinar, "See Yourself at SFU", The webinar will focus on SFU's program options, admission requirements, student life, and more.

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Monday, November 15th 12pm-1pm—Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast: https://sfu.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5UqdeChrD0jGtMdT7mFu33O1N0yot6bAfAt

Monday, November 15th 4pm-5pm—Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast: https://sfu.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5ElcO2gqj4sE9arB245gKaa4N0VeOx5VRKG



A recruiter from Bishop's University, which is in Sherbrooke Quebec, will

RURAL **PRE-MEDICINE** Selkirk 💹 College

Selkirk College's Rural Pre-Medicine Program (RPM) is inviting interested students and their families from rural communities across B.C. to an informational event, "An Evening with RPM."

The event is a chance for people to learn more about rewarding careers in rural health and the Selkirk College undergraduate program that can help get them there. Attendees will have the chance to ask questions of program coordinators, Takaia Larsen, and Jonathan

Vanderhoek, as well as connect with current and former RPM students as part of a fun and informal evening.

To find out more and to join us virtually or in-person, please RSVP by registering here.

Learn more about Selkirk College's Rural Pre-Medicine (RPM) program here.

be available for individual student meetings on November 15th from 10-12. If you would like to learn more about Bishops' programs, admissions, housing etc., visit the Career Commons to book your meeting time.

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