

This week in The Raven's Nest



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November 8 - November 12, 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 Nuuchah-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 – Nuuchah-nulth



This week :

Monday	
Tuesday	Wellness Centre 9:30-1:00
Wednesday	Remembrance Day Assemblies
Thursday	Remembrance Day—no school
Friday	Hold and Secure Drill @ 9:20

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Important dates to Remember:

November 11	Remembrance Day—no school
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 2	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: Marianne Chase
Vice President: Michelle Alexander
Treasurer: Salome Crowley
Secretary: Peggi-Ann Marcoux
SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Paula Wilson
Communications Officer: Caroline Aked
PAC email: royalbaypac@gmail.com



The Dry Grad Carnival Committee is looking for enthusiastic parents (of ANY grade) to join our team!

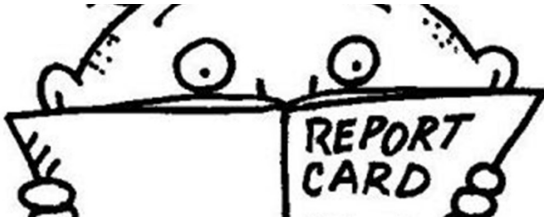
We meet once a month to plan an amazing event for our graduates!

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

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

From the Admin.

Report Cards



Report Cards will be published to MyEdBC on Wednesday November 17, 2021. Please be sure that you are able to get logged into the MyEdBC Family Portal to access your student's report cards.

Click [HERE](#) for more information about how to navigate the MyEdBC Family Portal.

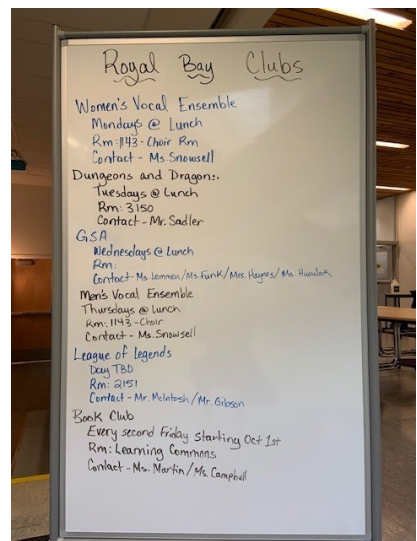
Student Learning Conferences

Student Learning Conferences will be occurring on November 18th, 2021 from 2 - 4 pm and 5 - 7 pm via MS Teams or an alternative platform arranged with your student's teacher. Information about how to book a meeting time will be provided by email this week.



Encourage your Student to get Involved

We are about to start our 10th week of the 2021/2022 school year. Over the past number of weeks we have witnessed our students engage in our vibrant learning community. Encourage your student(s) to get involved. Information about clubs and sports teams is being shared during the morning announcements. Additionally, students can stop by the PE Department, to find out more about school teams, and check out the board outside of the Career Commons, for more information about the clubs at RBSS.



~Together We Are More~



November 8 —November 10, 2021

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot main	Bangers and mash with onion gravy	Meatball sub with Caesar salad	Chicken and dumplings	Closed for Remembrance day
	Vegetarian	Stuffed peppers	A study in squash	Panisse	
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Ham and cheese	Pastrami	Cold cut trio	
	Appie	Sushi cone	Sushi cone	Sushi cone	
BAKING	Cookies	Snickerdoodle/ choc rye/ CWC	Choc chip/ ginger/ oatmeal raisin	CWC/ jam drop/ pumpkin spice	
	Dessert	Banana bread muffins/ fruit tart	Banana bread muffins/ fruit tart	Banana bread muffins/ fruit tart	



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**

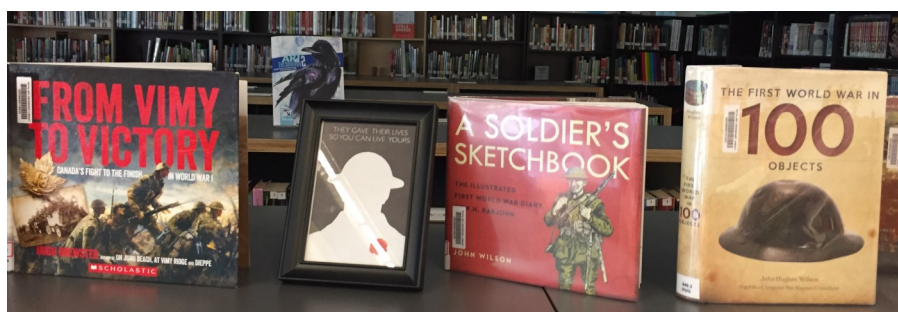
We meet every second Friday

at lunch in the Learning Commons

Our November dates are; November 12 and November 26



Our Library Collection includes many books on World War One and World War Two, and we encourage you to explore the incredible roles women played in those times. Their stories are just beginning to be shared.



Around the Raven's Nest!



Excel was working with Matthew to learn about Mason bees and how to care for them over winter to help with their survival - Matthew taught us how to clean the mites off the bees and then put them into a bleach solution to ensure the mites come off and the cocoon is safe.



Honour Roll for the second semester is up in the Aviary. Congratulations to all of our fantastic scholars!! Great job achieving success in a difficult year. Our certificates will be available next week in A block.



Congratulations to Jadyn Sanford, a Royal Bay 2020 Grad, who completed first year of the business admin program through our district partnership with SIP.

Jadyn is continuing her studies at Camosun College this year to complete her diploma in business admin. She will be taking part in a Co-op program in the summer of 2022. Jadyn speaks very highly about the support she received from the South Island Partnership team during her first year of this program and how much this helped her navigate all the changes.

This and That



The junior boys soccer season has come to an end as of Tuesday, November 2, 2021. The boys were playing in the Jr. Boys Islands Soccer Championships at Brentwood College.

Out of 4 games played, the boys tied 2 games and won 2 games. The boys beat the host team 5-1 to take home the bronze medal.

The boys had a fantastic tournament, and the tournament was a great end to the season.

If you see the players, please congratulate them on a job well done as they deserve it!



International students and Royal Bay Ambassadors got together after school on Friday to carve pumpkins, make new friends, indulge in treats, and celebrate Halloween festivities. For many of our International students, it was their first time carving a pumpkin!



Grad Corner

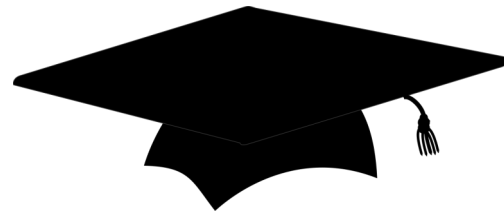


2022 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

December 6 – 15, 2021	Grad Photos
Thursday, December 16	Winter Formal (tentative)
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.

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](#)

Preps

Commemorative props such as cap, gown and scroll will be provided by Edge. Students are invited to bring personal props that help to capture their high school year, such as a favourite hobby or sport. No pet or friend photos are permitted at this time.

poses and backgrounds may vary

Tips for a great session:

- Simplicity is best. This applies to cosmetics, hairstyles, and jewelry.
- Keep your nails neat and manicured, you'll be holding a diploma.
- A white collared shirt is ideal for under your gown and a dark tie is always timeless.

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.

SCHOOL CODE: IRS



Scholarship Opportunitites

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.



Careers Department

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

Community, Family, and Child Services (CFCS) Info Sessions

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Online

Langara College

One-on-one Zoom [Drop-in sessions](#) daily from Monday to Friday (2 pm – 4 pm)





Careers Department, Cont.

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.

Schedule

November 8, 5:00PM | [Register](#)
November 23, 4:00PM | [Register](#)

November 15, 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.....**[click here to join us](#).
Check out our programs and services [here](#).

Opportunities



EducationPlannerBC

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/join/register/u5Yud-2ppjoG9eyWySWCIS10SI7GD6EB08q>

Opportunities, cont.



Every month, we host events for families called 'in the know'. We watch a video, or listen to a speaker, and share experiences and strategies that help in the hard moments. We help focus on strengthening our understanding and connection with our kids.

Beyond Behaviours: When Is It More? What It Looks Like Ages 13+

Why can it feel so tricky to tell if our kids are on track, going through a phase, as opposed to struggling with something more, or beyond behaviours? In this video conversation, a parent and counsellor talk about the developmental stages of children who are 13 years of age and older.

Communities: Victoria/Sooke/Westshore
Cost: Free of Charge
Date: November 9, 2021 at 12:00pm

Registration Required:
familysmart.ca/events

Events are facilitated by Parent Peer Support Workers.



familysmart.ca



SIMON FRASER
UNIVERSITY

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

Monday, November 15th 12pm-1pm—Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast:
<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/5UqdeChrD0jGtMdT7mFu3301N0yot6bAfAt>

Monday, November 15th 4pm-5pm—Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast:
<https://sfu.zoom.us/j/5UqdeChrD0jGtMdT7mFu3301N0yot6bAfAt>



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