

This week in The Raven's Nest



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December 6 - December 10, 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	Grad Photos Jr. B Girls BB game 4:15 @ Royal Bay Sr. Girls BB game 5:30 @ Royal Bay Jr. B Boys BB game 7:15 @ Royal Bay Sr. Boys BB practice - small gym 4:15
Tuesday	Wellness Centre 9:30-1:00 Grad Photos Sr. Girls BB practice - big gym 3:30 Jr. Girls BB practice - big gym 3:30 Jr. Boys BB practice - small gym 3:30
Wednesday	Grad Photos Sr. Boys BB practice - big gym 3:30 Jr. Boys B BB practice - small gym 3:30 Jr. Girls B BB practice - small gym 5:15
Thursday	Wellness Centre 9:00-3:00 Grad Photos Sr. Girls BB practice - big gym 3:30 Jr. Girls BB practice - big gym 3:30 Jr. Boys BB practice - small gym 3:30
Friday	Grad Photos Sr. Girls basketball tourney @ Spectrum Jr. Girls basketball tourney in Victoria Sr. Boys Basketball tourney @ Mark Isfeld

Don't Forget to
Pack Your Mask



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Important dates to Remember:

December 10	Grad Movie Night
December 14 & 15	Winter Dance Performances
December 16	Winter Formal
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)
June 16	Music Dept. Final Concert (tentative)
June 17	Prom at the Empress (tentative)
June 29	Last Day of School

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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

January 5 @ 6:30
Room TBD

Meeting Dates for 2021-2022

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
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RBSS PAC Fundraising

Thank you for supporting your RBSS PAC :

Cobs Bread (Westshore)—mention RBSS at time of purchase

Co-op Gas (any Peninsula location) #134056

From the Admin.

This past week has been a busy one here at Royal Bay! 10,000 Tonight started the week, two students, Olivia Sjerven and Shayne Williamson, did a wonderful interview on the CBC in the morning promoting the 10,000 Tonight event and the school. Olivia and Shayne kicked off our annual food drive – the RBSS leadership class will collect food until December 10th for the Goldstream Food Bank. Next on the calendar was girls and boys basketball games in the big gym on Wednesday evening. RBSS Basketball is in full swing now and will end the week with the “Gravel Pit Classic” taking place this Friday and Saturday. We are so pleased that our students and staff get to participate in school sports again.

Next we quickly pivoted into two evenings of wonderful music and student performances. Wednesday and Thursday evenings music once again filled the halls of Royal Bay. After a two year absence we were able to host families, friends and community members for our annual Winter Music Concert. This year we did two evenings so that we could accommodate the audience in a safe manner. Without a doubt, the students and staff knocked it out of the park. It was obvious watching the audience sitting the seats, that this group thoroughly enjoyed themselves and spread a ton of positive vibes and goodwill around the school and community. The talent on display was incredible to witness.



Friday is also a busy day. Along with hosting a basketball tournament, both our Lacrosse Academies have evening games on our artificial turf field. The Girls Lacrosse Academy plays at 5pm and the Boys Lacrosse Academy closes off the week with a 7pm game.



Royal Bay would also to announce that we are “adopting” Meadow Park in the Royal Bay Community. Our classes will go through a rotation and help keep the park clean for everyone to use.



Hope everyone has a great start to December!
RBSS Admin



December 6 — December 9, 2021

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot main	Mac and cheese	Tacos al pastor	Smoked meat sandwich	Perogies with all the fixins
	Vegetarian	Mac and cheese	Tacos	Risotto	Perogies with most of the fixins
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Turkey and brie	Cold cut trio	Steak	Ham and cheese
	Appie	Samosas and chutney	Samosas and chutney	Samosas and chutney	Samosas and chutney
	Dessert	Banana bread/ Linzer torte	Banana bread/ Linzer torte	Banana bread/ Linzer torte	Banana bread/ Linzer torte



From the Library Learning Commons

Book Club Winter Celebration!

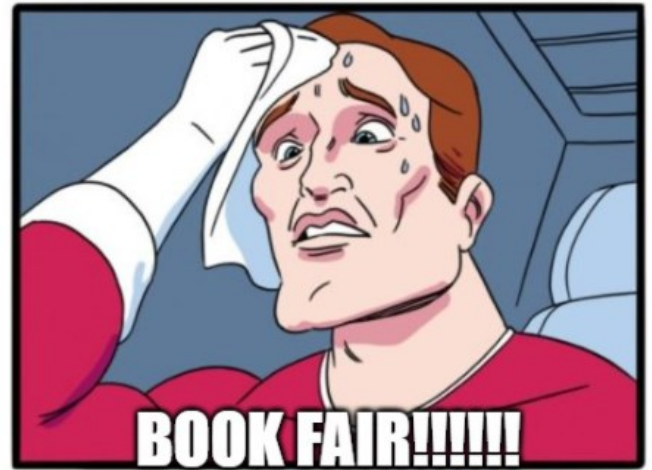


Come and enjoy a treat and some festive reads to celebrate the upcoming holiday season.

Friday, December 10, 2021 at lunch in the Learning Commons.



Book Fair!



SCHOLASTIC LINK (ends Dec 6th)
[https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/
pages/5169776](https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5169776)

RUSSELL'S LINK (ends Dec 5th)
<https://bookfair.russellbooks.com>

Around the Raven's Nest!

Home Economics Update - Fall 2021

Home Economics 9 ♥ Textiles 9 ♥ Food Studies 10 ♥ Senior Food Studies ♥ Housing and Living Environments ♥ Interpersonal Relationships and Child Development ♥ Culinary Arts



Home Economics 9 - We have been working on button blankets upstairs as well as the Canada Food Guide, nutrition labels and considerations when grocery shopping. Downstairs we continue to work on our practical kitchen skills, we are making Lasagne Roll ups, Lava Cakes and Jamaican Beef Pies this week!



Textiles 9- Students have been working on fashion design projects and are now sewing a pair of pants. Here is Laney and Lauren, grade 9 trendsetters, sporting their new wide leg cargo pants!



Housing and Living Environments- Students have recently completed a simulated house flip project. Currently, they are developing ideas for the design of a "little library" for the school.

Foods 10 - Students have been learning about decorating food and practicing design with food.



Around the Raven's Nest, cont.



Senior Food Studies - We have been creating and marketing food products from BC, learning about food security

and practicing our food literacy skills.



Interpersonal Relationships and Child Development - Recently we have been studying theories and practices that guide healthy child development. Some students have taken home the real-care babies in an effort to simulate what it's like to take care of an infant.

Around the Raven's Nest, cont!

Ms. Doyle's English 9s learned about healing plant medicine with Cree-Métis traditional medicine educator and herbalist, Robynne Edgar. As a part of their unit on The Hunger Games, the students have been studying about survival in the wilderness. In this workshop, the students learned about the medicinal properties of local native plants and made their own healing salve as a remedy for cuts and scrapes.



This and That



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 29th → Friday, December 10th.**

10,000 Tonight is the Westshore's largest non-perishable food drive. Last year, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 Pandemic, our RBSS and local community still rallied together to raise over **\$6,000 and collected 1,500 food items.**

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 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:

1. DONATE VIA SCHOOL CASH ONLINE. TAX RECEIPT PROVIDED.

<https://sd62.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/670/137/false/true?fundDestination=10%2C000%20Tonight%20Food%20Drive%20-%20Royal%20Bay%20Family>

2. VISIT OUR COMMUNITY DRIVE-THRU FOOD DONATION DROP OFF

Tuesday November 30th & December 7th/Thursday December 2nd & 9th.

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 posted signs and directions of volunteers
- ☐ You will be asked to **stay in your vehicle and wear a mask**
- ☐ Volunteers will be asking for your contact information
- ☐ Please ensure your items are easily accessible in the trunk for our volunteers to take. We would like the process to be contactless

If you have any questions or concerns, are interested in donating, or would like to provide a prize to give out to our participating winning classes, please email the Royal Bay leadership teachers.

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

CHEK Upside—RBSS 10,000 Tonight food drive

Video to watch

[CHEK Upside: 10,000 Tonight food drive returns to Royal Bay Secondary School \(cheknews.ca\)](https://www.cheknews.ca/10000-tonight-food-drive-returns-to-royal-bay-secondary-school)

This and That, cont.

Congratulations to **Noah**
Letourneau, École Royal Bay
Secondary's first ever semifinalist
for the prestigious
Loran Scholars Award.



The Loran Scholars Award offers the country's largest and most comprehensive four-year undergraduate award (valued at \$100,000) to young Canadians based on character, service and the promise of leadership.

Noah's selection to the semi-final round is a significant achievement. In 2020-2021 there were 6084 applicants, 318 semi-finalists, 72 finalists and 30 Loran Scholars. We could not be more proud of Noah! Noah has significant goals for himself, which includes a career in law before entering the realm of politics.



"At the Loran Scholars Foundation, we identify and support young people who have the integrity and courage to make difficult decisions, the perseverance to work towards long-term goals, the curiosity to better understand the world around them and the drive to make positive change in their communities."

This and That, cont.



Dear Families,

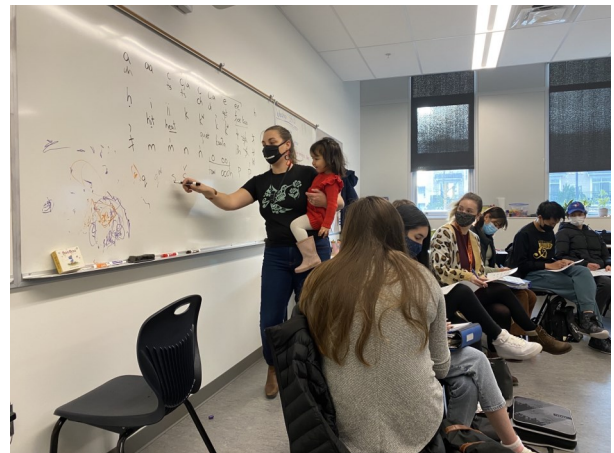
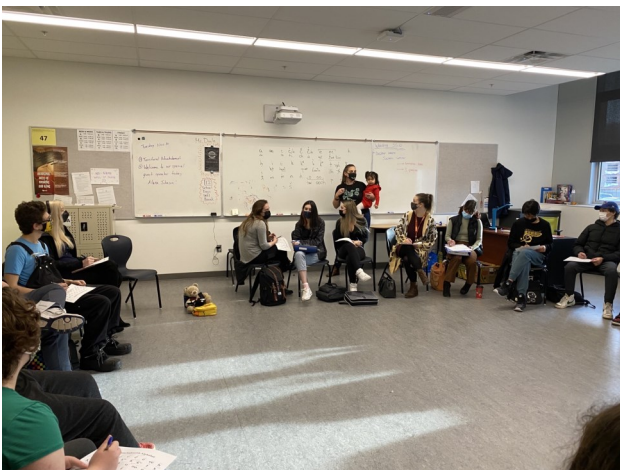
We are asked by our School District's Human Resources Department to forward the following message to you:

School District No.62 (Sooke) requires Noon Hour Supervision Assistants to work on-call immediately. These are school district paid positions, whereby adults are hired to assist schools in supervising students. Qualified candidates must be a holder of a valid Occupation First Aid Level 1 Certificate or be willing to get it at their earliest possible convenience. The hourly rate of pay is \$24.91. Please see job description attached.

Noon Hour Supervision Assistants

For more information about our District, please refer to our website at www.sd62.bc.ca.

Qualified individuals are invited to submit their cover letter and resume, including the names and telephone numbers of at least two references to the Human Resources Department at hr@sd62.bc.ca or www.makeafuture.ca.



Alana Johnson (Haida) and her daughter Layla-Rose (Nuuchahnulth) joined Ms Doyle's English 12 class to teach about Indigenous language revitalization. The students learned about the sounds and letters of the Nuuchahnulth alphabet. They also learned the alphabet song and how to introduce themselves in the Nuuchahnulth language.

Hych'ka Kleco Kleco to Alana and Layla for being such generous guests and sharing their teachings with us!



Grad Corner



2022 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

December 6 – 15, 2021	Grad Photos
Friday, December 10	Grad Movie Night
Friday, December 15	Grad Wear orders due
Thursday, December 16	Winter Formal Doors at 5:30 pm
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.

GRAD CLOTHING UPDATE: Exactly 2 weeks remaining for you to order your Grad 2022 wear. You **MUST** fill out an order form found in the office or in Mr. Burgess' room (2146). There will NOT be any re-orders this year due to supply delays in manufacturing. This is your first and last chance to order Grad clothing. Last day to order is December 15! See sample pictures of the clothing on the next page.

Go speed racer, go!!

GRAD CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT DECEMBER. 10 - There is still time to vote for your favourite Christmas movie that will be played during the Grad Christmas movie night on December 10 between 6:30 and 9:00 pm. You can vote on the Grad Google Classroom. The movie will be played in the Royal Bay Aviary on the big screen as everyone sits comfortably on the couches and chairs. You are more than welcome to bring your favourite jamees, a portable comfy chair/mat (i.e. bean bag chair) and light snacks. This is going to be more fun than a penguin in a backpack!

Grad Corner, cont.

RBSS Grad Wear

TAKE THE COMPLETED ORDER FORM & PAYMENT TO MR.BURGESS IN ROOM 2146

OR DROP FORM & PAYMENT OFF AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

LAST DAY TO ORDER CLOTHING IS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2021

ALL CHEQUES MUST BE PAYABLE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

2022 RBSS Grad Wear Order form





Careers Department

Career Exploration Day at École Royal Bay Needs You!

The Career Education Department of École Royal Bay Secondary will be hosting a Career Exploration Day on March 16th, 2022. This in-person, morning event will provide students with the opportunity to attend 3 different presentations delivered by community members who will share aspects of their career journey.

For the event to be a success, we require several presenters. **If you are interested in joining us and sharing your career journey with students**, please send an email to Danielle Huculak at dhuculak@sd62.bc.ca and she will provide you with more information.

Thank you, from the Career Education Department, for supporting Career Education at École Royal Bay Secondary!

Danielle Huculak, Leanne Harrington, Megan Wood, Amanda Cheeseman and Linda Brown



On Wednesday, December 8th, all grade 9 and 10 students will participate in a presentation on sexual exploitation, delivered by the organization, Sexual Exploitation Education.

“Sexual Exploitation Education specializes in education, training, consulting and awareness of sexual exploitation in BC and Canada wide. SEE offers more than ‘just a presenter’. We offer a true expert on the issue to deliver engaging specialized presentations tailored for a variety of audiences.”

For more information, visit:
<https://sexualexploitationeducation.com/>



THE 5 WARNING SIGNS OF GROOMING



Age Difference

Even a 2-3 year age difference matters. Exploiters will use their age to create a power imbalance as they have access to money, alcohol, and transportation. Age difference can also be used to normalize unhealthy behaviours.



Gifting

In grooming relationships, youth are spoiled with things they can not normally afford themselves such as: cell phones, puppies, salon services, drugs, etc. Gifting is done to create a debt down the road or to lure a youth into false promises of a better lifestyle.



Isolating

Isolation may be physical or emotional. Exploiters may convince a youth that they are not understood by their parents or friends. They may try and limit the time a youth spends with their peers. Exploiters may also try to lure a youth out of their community or home.



Control

Can be physical, mental, or emotional through requiring secrecy, blackmailing, or withdrawing friendship, gifts, or love.



Unhealthy Changes

The introduction of the exploiter in a youth's life may cause the youth to skip school, be tired from late nights, party more often, develop a drug addiction, or hang around older peers.

Exploiters and pimps will try to pose as boyfriends or friends in order to groom youth. Grooming is a process, and warning signs gradually appear. If you are concerned, reach out to SEE or a safe adult.

www.sexualexploitationeducation.com

Scholarship Opportunities

Upcoming December Scholarships

[Queen's University Major Admission Awards](#)

Due: December 8, 2021

[Burger King Scholars Program](#)

Due: December 15, 2021

[Allied Van Lines Scholarship](#)

Due: December 15, 2021

[BC Cowboy Heritage Scholarship](#)

Due: December 31, 2021

[ASTSBC Heavy Duty Mechanic Scholarship](#)

Due: December 31, 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.

Opportunities



SD62 Careers & Transitions

**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

FamilySmart
ONLINE
**Help
for the
Hard
Times**
FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

AN ONLINE WORKSHOP
SERIES FOR FAMILIES
AND CAREGIVERS WHOSE
CHILD OR YOUTH HAS BEEN
A PATIENT AT SURREY
HOSPITAL'S CHILD &
ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRIC
STABILIZATION UNIT (CAPSU)
OR ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRIC
UNIT (APU). SPACE MAY
BE AVAILABLE FOR OTHER
FRASER FAMILIES THAT
HAVE AN INPATIENT STAY AT
ANOTHER HOSPITAL.

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BC Children's
Hospital

FRASER
Surrey
Hospital

SOUTH ISLAND
Victoria General
Ledger House

It's really tough to be going through hard stuff with a child or youth who is struggling with their mental health and they end up in crisis – and we want to help you. We know what it's like because we've been there.

TOPICS

Session 1 & 2:
How to support a safety plan at home

Session 3:
How to take care of yourself and family after a crisis

Session 4:
How to find the resources you need

Region: South Island

Dates: December 6, 8, 13, 15
Times: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Dates: January 18, 20, 25, 27
Times: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

There is no cost to families. Registration is required:
www.familysmart.ca/workshops

Help for the Hard Times workshops are facilitated by parents with lived experience. The workshops are hosted online and include a one-on-one video conference or phone call with a Facilitator.

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