

This week in The Raven's Nest



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January 24 – January 28, 2022

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	Grade 10 Course Selection
Tuesday	Grade 10 Course Selection Wellness Centre 9:30—1:00
Wednesday	Grade 10 Course Selection
Thursday	Grade 10 Course Selection
Friday	Grade 10 Course Selection

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Important dates to Remember:

February 2	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
February 3 and 4	Grade 9 Immunization Clinic
February 6 & 7	Grad Photo Retakes
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

February 2 @ 6:30
TBD

Meeting Dates for 2021-2022

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.

Dear Royal Bay Families;

Over the next several weeks our Counselling Team will be visiting classes in the building helping our students complete their Course Selections on MyEd for the upcoming school year. We have started with a few of our Grade 9 classes this past week.

Our school timetable and direction for next year is dictated by student choice. Our staff work really hard to make sure that student choice is heard and that students get the courses that they choose. To this end, we are hoping that families can be involved in the process. Over the next weeks please have a conversation with your student about their course choices for next year. The 2022/2023 Course Book can be found on the RBSS Website [RBSS Course Handbook 2022 2023](#).

Course Selections will be done in class with the help of our counsellors. You still have access through your student's MyEd Portal [MyEd Portal](#) to look at the course selection and help guide the process.

Things to think about!

Complete the Course Selection Form with care.
These will be your courses, so think and plan accordingly!
Think about your choices carefully
Discuss plans with your parents/caretakers
Think about your strengths and interests
Decide on the courses you want and need
Use the 'Course Selection Guide' on the school website for more detailed course and program information [RBSS Course Handbook 2022 2023](#).
When in doubt connect with a counsellor!

Grade 9 going into Grade 10	Jan 17 – Jan 27
Grade 10 going into Grade 11	Feb 22 – March 3
Grade 11 going into Grade 12	Feb 9 – Feb 17

** Changes can be made to student selections through our counsellors**

Grade 12 Assessment – Cancelled for January

We received notification from the Ministry of Education today that the upcoming assessments will be canceled. Please see the note from the Ministry below. More information to come.

Cancellation of the January 2022 Provincial Graduation Assessment Administration Session: Due to the ongoing challenges presented by the pandemic, the January administration session of the provincial graduation assessments is cancelled. No Grade 12 students who are on track to graduate in the 2021/22 school year will be impacted by this cancellation. Further information on upcoming sessions will be provided by mid-February, including a question and answer document to support conversations with students and parents.



January 24 – January 27, 2022

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot main	Greek day: spano, lemon potatoes, chicken souvlaki	Pizza day	Closed for cleaning. See you next semester!	
	Vegetarian	Greek day: spano, lemon potatoes, salad and pita	Pizza day		
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Pastrami	Whatever we've got in the fridge		
	Appie	Humus and pita	Humus and pita		
	Dessert	Pear cake/ chocolate eclairs	Pear cake/ chocolate eclairs		



From the Library Learning Commons

Upcoming Book Club Dates

Fri. Jan. 28 at lunch in the Learning Commons



All are welcome!

Come and browse our book display in the Learning Commons celebrating Black Excellence Day!



Around the Raven's Nest!

Languages Department



Core French and Spanish classes are learning language through story-telling with TPRS and AIM methodologies. Our current stories are: Batalla en la guardería (Battle in the Daycare), Salut mon amie (Hello my friend), La venta de garage (The Garage Sale), and the much loved, always exciting tale of Los gatos azules (The blue cats). Students learn to speak Spanish and French with the focus on deep understanding in a fun and supportive environment.



Madame Chalmer's French class is still celebrating after their door-decorating win for their fantastic Gingerbread House. Spanish teachers Señora Whyte and Señora Haddon placed second and third making this year's door decorating contest a "Languages sweep" across the board. Congratulations, felicitaciones and toutes nos felicitations to all the students involved in creating these spectacular doors!



This and That



Girls Lacrosse Academy had a great time last Friday cleaning up garbage at our local Meadow Park. Numerous members of the community reached out with positive words of encouragement as athletes went through creeks, fields, and playgrounds looking for trash and construction debris. Overall our team had a blast and we are looking forward to seeing more academy teams and RBSS classes continue with this endeavor over the next few months.



Special Edition Grad 2022 T-Shirt



This is a special edition, student created Grad t-shirt, with only a limited quantity available... First come, first serve.

The t-shirts sell for \$20 each and are available in Mr. Burgess' room (2146) or at the RBSS store on Wednesdays at lunch.





Grad Corner



2022 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

February 16-17, 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)



Scholarship Opportunities

Upcoming January Scholarships

[YVR Emerging Artist Scholarship Program Art](#)

Due: January 27, 2022

[Nicholas Collins Founders Refugee Award](#)

Due: January 31, 2022

[ZONTA - The Young Women in Public Affairs Award](#)

Due: January 31, 2022

[DB Perks & Lifesaving Society Scholarships](#)

Due: January 31, 2022

[David C. Lam TEAL \(BC Teachers of English as an Additional Language\) Scholarship](#)

Due: January 31, 2022

[TCF Refugee Award](#)

Due: January 31, 2022

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



My mental health matters.

2022 Student Safety Video Contest

Tell us why workplace mental health is important and share your strategies for staying mentally well at work.

Submit your video and you could win a cash prize.

Bonus prize: Actsafe Aspiring Filmmaker Award

Prize includes tickets to the 2023 Actsafe Entertainment Safety Conference, screening of the video at a future Directors Guild of Canada event, and more!

Deadline for submissions is Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 5 p.m.
Visit worksafebc.com/studentvideocontest.

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**VANCOUVER ISLAND:
NANAIMO & VICTORIA**



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- Learn about the latest medical research happening in BC
- Explore the diverse careers available in science and medicine
- Network with like-minded students from across Vancouver Island

WWW.MINIMEDSCHOOLBC.CA

Admission is free but space is limited!



NANAIMO

Thursday, April 28, 2022
8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Coast Bastion Hotel
11 Bastion Street

VICTORIA

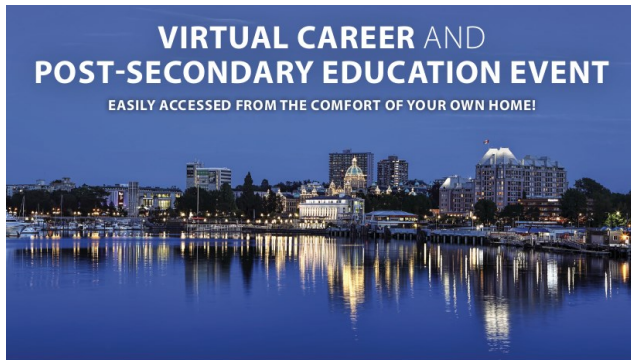
Friday, April 29, 2022
8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Coast Victoria Hotel & Marina
146 Kingston Street

Proof of vaccination is required to attend.

Mini Med School is a special event held outside the classroom. Students will be expected to make their own arrangements to miss a day of classes and transportation.



Opportunities, cont.



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7 to 8 p.m.

February 8, 2022

March 1, 2022

February 17, 2022

March 10, 2022

Please select the one event date that works best for you.

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This event is free. | For questions, contact the [WorkBC team](https://www.workbc.ca).



WorkBC.ca is facilitating one-hour
interactive webinars to help parents
and guardians support youth as they
explore career options. The virtual
events are designed for parents of
grade 9-12 students to support career
conversations with their youth.

**Co-hosted by CES Career
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It's not just about sex.

What does positive
sexual health mean
to you?

What do you have
to say about sexual
health?

Would you like to be
a positive sexual
health influencer?



We are looking for youth who have creative ideas
and ways to develop and share sexual health
information.

Great project
for extra credit
or scholarship
applications

Interested? Get in touch!

Connect with Danielle Huculak, Career Education Teacher
in person (Room 1168) or email: dhuculak@sd62.bc.ca



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