

# This week in The Raven's Nest



## École Royal Bay Secondary School

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## September 12—September 16, 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 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



### Student Emergency Release Form

Students were given a bright purple student emergency release form to bring home. Please take a few minutes to fill this form out and return it to the school as soon as possible.

This form is NOT used to update contact information.

Students can hand the completed form to their Block A teacher.

### This week :

Monday	Grade 12 Assembly Block B
Tuesday	Grade 11 Assembly Block B
Wednesday	Picture Day
Thursday	Grade 10 Assembly Block B
Friday	Fire Drill @ 9:20

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## **Important dates to Remember:**

September 14	School Photos
September 14	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
September 16	Fire Drill #1 @ 9:20 am
September 19	District School Planning Day—no school
September 29	Orange Shirt Day
September 30	National Day of Truth & Reconciliation—no school
October 3	Canadian University Event
October 5	PAC meeting @ 6:30 pm
October 10	Thanksgiving—no school
October 13	Fire Drill #2 @ 2:00 pm
October 18	Retakes for School Photos
October 19	Great BC Shake Out @ 10:10
October 21	NID - Provincial Pro- D no school
October 26	UVic/Camosun Parent Information Session
Oct 31 - Nov 4	Assessments
November 2	Take your Kids to Work Day—Grade 9
November 2	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
November 8	Hold and Secure Drill @ 9:30 am
November 11	Remembrance Day—no school
November 15	Post Secondary BC Visit
Nov 21– Dec 2	Grad Photos
November 22	Fire Drill # 3 @ 9:20 am
November 24	Early Dismissal 3 Hrs—Learning Conferences
November 25	NID—Pro-D—no school
December 7	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
December 15	Winter Formal
December 16	Santa Breakfast
December 16	Last Day before Winter Break
Dec 19– Jan 2	Winter Break
January 3, 2023	School Reopens
January 4	PAC Meeting @ 6:30
January 16-20	Capstone Presentations
January 23– 27	Literacy 10, Numeracy 10 and Literacy 12 Assessments

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# From the Admin

Dear École Royal Bay Secondary Families

The staff at RBSS would like to extend a huge thank you to you all for your support throughout the last couple of weeks as we got the school up and running. It is awesome to see the excitement and joy of our students as they start the school year. Wednesday, September 14 is photo day, we are looking forward to our students dressed up and looking great! (Retakes on October 18 for those that might require a redo!)

As always, we rely on your continued support as we navigate a new school year – your continued involvement and support makes this school a great place to be. The students have been incredible this past week returning to the structure of school. The school is settled, and the students and staff are busy engaging in learning.

A few notes on the first week:

1. Parents are welcome to make appointments to come to the school. Please make sure to sign in and out at the office when you arrive for your scheduled time. Currently, we are asking that parents refrain from just dropping in. Please call ahead.
2. Please remind your students that if they arrive late or are leaving early with parent permission to please sign in and out at the office – this allows our attendance clerk to account for them.
3. While the weather is nice, we are encouraging students to eat outside and take advantage of our beautiful campus.
5. Our first PAC meeting of the year is on Wednesday, September 14th at 6:30 in the evening. The meeting will be held in the Learning Commons. Please contact RBSS PAC at [royalbaypac@gmail.com](mailto:royalbaypac@gmail.com) if you are planning on attending.
6. Please continue to send in the Emergency Student Release Form to the office (Purple sheet sent home earlier this week).
7. A reminder to parents during drop off and pick up time to not park in the staff parking lots in the front of the school. We have a student population of roughly 1540 students, we cannot accommodate parents and family members parking in staff parking lots during the day at any time. We encourage students to walk, ride, take the school bus or the city bus.
8. Grade 12 parents – please help the school by reinforcing our message about student parking. RBSS is incredibly lucky to have a large student parking lot near the turf field. Without exception our students who drive are expected to park in the designated student parking lot, failure to do so will likely result in vehicle being towed.
9. Please continue to read the Raven's Nest and our Website for important school information. We are incredibly proud of our students and staff and how they have risen to the challenge of returning to school – we look forward to having a fantastic school year.

Mike Huck

# From the Admin, cont

## Grade 9 Welcome to RBSS Scavenger Hunt



The RBSS Home Economics and Culinary Arts departments partnered with the Food Share Network to host a unique 'Welcome to RBSS' activity for our grade 9 students. After meeting their classroom teachers, students navigated a scavenger hunt that allowed them to explore our outdoor spaces, connect with other students and staff, learn more about the school crest and motto and sample healthy gourmet food at each stop. A huge thank you to Ms. Ruff, Mr. Kemshaw, Chef Bezeau, and Kara Udell from the Food Share Network for preparing and supplying

all of the food for this event. Also, a shout out to RBSS Leadership students and staff for helping to serve the food. It was a great event and enjoyed by all.





# From the Admin, cont

## Welcome Back Grad Class of 2023.



A huge shout out to our amazing Grad Class of 2023! This group of incredible students have helped start the 2022/2023 school year off with a lot of enthusiasm and spirit. Each day we are seeing the strength and resilience of this group as they start on an exciting journey of completing their grad year and preparing for what comes next. It is great to know that we can count on our grads to be great ambassadors of the school and to help push our positive school culture forward for other grades to look up to.

As a school, we are excited to see this group's continued growth and impact on our school and community. Looking forward to a fantastic year.

## Lockers



Great news everyone! Lockers will be made available this year to students.

**Tuesday, September 13 at 8:00 am is when students can begin selecting lockers using the RBSS Ravens App.**

Students are to use the lock provided by the school. Students are responsible for the contents of their lockers.

<https://rbss.appazur.com/app/>

## RBSS PAC Corner

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

### PAC meetings for 2022-2023

September 14, 2022  
October 5, 2022  
November 2, 2022  
December 7, 2022  
January 4, 2023  
February 1, 2023  
March 1, 2023  
April 5, 2023  
May 3, 2023 (elections)  
June 7, 2023

## 2021-2022 PAC Executive Members:

President: Michelle Alexander  
Vice President:  
Treasurer: Salome Crowley  
Secretary: Peggi-Ann Marcoux  
SPEAC Rep (District PAC): Paula Wilson  
Communications Officer: Caroline Aked  
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# This and That



**"RBSS Ravens"**

Ecole Royal Bay Secondary

Get the App! Visit the App Store or Google Play and search for "RBSS Ravens", or tap/click here:



Ricardo Lopez giving new families an orientation and school tour in Spanish!

# This and That, cont.



## Student Drivers and Parking Info

Students driving and parking at the school will need to register their vehicle using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/DesignPageV2.aspx?subpage=design&FormId=H7DF9z5B6E6XiM5XgQjNME0P29MU9IxEpVZnZYi7EGJUMUVHUlpDSIBDN0hJMjROMORJSFIRSDNTWi4u>

Info can also be found on the [school website](#) or the RBSS Ravens App.

Once they have registered their vehicle, they will need to stop by the school office to pick up their windshield parking permit decal.

## IMPORTANT CONSENT NEEDED!

Hello families, please complete your student's consent for Daily Student Health Check Agreement

**as soon as possible.**

<https://consent.sd62.bc.ca>







**Lifetouch.**



# PICTURE DAY IS COMING



**Wednesday, September 14, 2022**  
**Ecole Royal Bay Secondary School**



## What to Expect:



Students are photographed  
on Picture Day



Pictures are sent home  
with your child



Review pictures &  
purchase on  
[mylifetouch.ca](https://mylifetouch.ca)

All students will be photographed. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want an individual picture taken of your child. Your child may be included in a group picture requested by the school. Questions? Please contact Customer Service at 1-866-457-8212.

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**Retakes will be on Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

# Opportunities



## Transforming Connections Virtual Parent Group

This free 10-week program is for parents with teens 13 – 18 years old who are gender non-conforming or trans.

### What can I gain from this group?

- ✓ A better understanding of your youth's behaviour
- ✓ A stronger connection with your youth
- ✓ Connect with other parents and build a supportive community

### Where and when will we meet?

- ✓ Group is every Wednesday from April 12, 2023 through June 14, 2023
- ✓ Group runs from 9 AM to 10:30 AM
- ✓ Presented on Zoom (a link will be sent to you)

Please contact Heather Vale (778) 698 – 1860 or Chadi Akouri (778) 974 – 4216 for more information.



# Opportunities, cont.



## **NIGHT LEAGUE BASKETBALL**

U11 Boys and Girls (9 or 10 as of Dec. 31, 2022)  
U13 Boys and Girls (11 or 12 as of Dec. 31, 2022)  
U15 Boys and Girls (13 or 14 as of Dec. 31, 2022)  
U18 Boys (15, 16, 17 as of Dec. 31, 2022)  
Upon registration, players will indicate if they would like to play on a Performance Team or Elite Team. Please read below for details:

### **Performance Teams:**

U11 – Skills Camp practice Wednesday nights at Spencer Middle School. Team practice Sundays at Belmont. One game each week. Requests can be made to play on teams with friends.

U13, U15, U18 – Single Team practice each week. One game each week. Requests can be made to play on teams with friends

### **Elite Teams:**

U11, U13, U15 – Mid-week team practice at Spencer Middle School. Sunday team practice at Belmont. Participation in Future Stars tournament in late November. Possible participation in Club Provincial Championships in Early March. Westshore Directors and team coaches form teams, requests not available. Attendance at practices and games, high priority. Teams formed based on skill level and demand.

**Game Nights:** The season runs from early October until spring break. Schedules are created in 3-week blocks by the league, not Westshore Basketball. Games are located all over Greater Victoria. League schedulers try to keep game nights consistent, but teams are expected to be flexible.

## **WESTSHORE RAIN BASKETBALL**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Nights  
9-week sessions

**Learn to Play 1** – Great for players grades K-2 (ages 5-7) with limited experience or as a first exposure to basketball – 6pm - 7pm

**Learn to Play 2** – Focus for players grades 2-4 (ages 7-9) or with more experience to further develop skills – 7pm - 8pm  
Tues, Wed, Thurs Rain at John Stubbs School

### **NEW - Sensory-Sensitive Rain**

**Learn to Play 1** – 6pm-7pm

**Learn to Play 2** – 7pm-8pm

Our new sensory-sensitive Rain program will feature smaller class sizes, reduced spectators, quieter environment and less focus on competition.

Thursdays only at Happy Valley School

## **COSTS - NIGHT LEAGUE**

U11 Boys and Girls \$250

U13, U15 and U18 Girls and Boys \$275 Uniform included

All players receive a warm-up shirt and a hoodie

Elite Teams - \$100 additional to pay for additional gym time

Westshore Rain 9-week Session - \$100

All players receive a hoodie and player shirt.

Winter Skills Camp Price TBD - \*Discount for Players registered with Westshore Basketball

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

August 15 – Online Sign-up Opens all Programs

Sept 11 and Sept 18 – Mini-Camp and Player Evaluations. Times TBD

Sept 25, Oct 2 and 9 – Team Practices start

Week of Oct 3-7 – Mid-week Elite Team Practices Begin

Oct 5 – Mid-week U11 Skills Camps begin

Oct 4 – Nov 29 – Tuesday Fall Rain

Oct 5 – Nov 30 – Wednesday Fall Rain

Oct 6 – Dec 1 – Thursday Fall Rain

October 12 – Night League Games Begin

## **REGISTER:**

[www.westshorebasketball.com](http://www.westshorebasketball.com)

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250.818-8895



Westshore Basketball Association