

This week in The Raven's Nest



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February 6 - 10, 2023

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	Non Instructional Day No School
Tuesday	Wellness Centre 9:30-3:00 Report Cards
Wednesday	
Thursday	Wellness Centre 9:00-3:00 Fire Drill
Friday	GRAD Ski Trip

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Important dates to Remember:

February 6	School Planning Day—no school
February 7	Report Cards published in MyEd
February 9	Fire Drill at 9:20 am
February 10	GRAD Ski Trip
February 17	NID Tri District Pro– D—no school
February 20	Family Day—no school
March 1	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
March 8—11	Black Wing Theatre Production
March 17	Last Day before Spring break
April 3	School reopens
April 5	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
April 7	Good Friday
April 10	Easter Monday
April 20	Early Dismissal 3 hours—Learning Conferences
April 20	Report cards published in My Ed
April 21	NID—Professional Development -no school
April 24—28	Assessments
April 25	Term 3 Ends
April 26	Term 4 Begins
May 3	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
May 6	Dry Grad Carnival
May 16	Fire Drill at 9:20 am
May 22	Victoria Day—no school
May 23	Grad Rehearsal @ UVIC
May 29	NID—Pro– D Day—no school
June 4	Grad at UVic
June 7	PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm
June 23	Prom At The Crystal Gardens

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From the Admin

Week One of Semester two is in the books and off to an incredible start at Royal Bay! Our students and staff are busy navigating their new schedules and are equal parts excited and nervous as they jump into new areas of learning. Along with the start of a new semester, Royal Bay is also experiencing a change in school leadership.

Mr. Mark Johnston will be moving to a position in the school board to take on the role of Vice Principal of Inclusion Education Services as of Monday, February 6th. Mr. Johnston has been a valued Vice Principal at Royal Bay for many years. I am truly grateful to him for the amazing energy and care he has brought to building a rich learning environment at Royal Bay. Mr. Johnston is a dedicated educator with a student first approach. I wish him all the best in his new role, which offers him an opportunity to continue his growth as an educator and support our district as a whole. Attached is a photo of Mark's favorite students. It was a heartwarming scene at lunch when these students and staff came down to the office to wish Mark well in his new role.

I am happy to announce that Mr. Ryan Dube has been appointed Vice Principal at École Royal Bay Secondary School and will begin in this role on Monday, February 6th. Mr. Dubé has been a valued teacher and Vice Principal at Belmont Secondary for many years. He brings an incredible skill set to Royal Bay. Mr. Dubé will serve students with last names O – Z in partnership with Counsellor Ms. Cooper and Ms. Kadin.

Please join me in wishing both Mark and Ryan all the best in their new placements.



From the Admin, cont.

Excellent health and care, for everyone,
everywhere, every time.



To Grade 9 Students and their Parents/Guardians/Representatives,

School-based immunization clinics for grade 9 students are now complete for the school year.

Please call the West Shore Health Unit at 250-519-3490 if you would like to book an immunization appointment at the health unit or have any questions.

Sincerely,

West Shore Health Unit

RCMP Senior Girls Basketball Tournament

A huge shout out and thanks to the Westshore RCMP Detachment. These members have been in the school the last couple of days connecting with students and setting up an amazing Senior Girls Basketball Tournament. Many of our classes have taken advantage of the tournament to catch some amazing basketball games. The RCMP have been tremendous in their support of Royal Bay students and our school district in general. Hopefully their presence in the school will lead a few students down the path of choosing a career in law enforcement.



RBSS PAC Corner

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

in the Learning Commons

PAC meetings for 2022-2023

March 1, 2023

April 5, 2023

May 3, 2023 (elections)

June 7, 2023

PAC's Peninsula Co-op number 134056

2022-2023 PAC Executive Members:

President: Michelle Alexander

Vice President: Kim Strandlund

Treasurer: Salome Crowley

Secretary: Melissa Da Silva

SPEAC Rep Paula Wilson
Kari Moslehi

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We will be back in a few weeks.....

stay tuned for our menu!

Around the Raven's Nest!

Department of Social Studies

Why Is Social Studies Important? 5 Reasons Why:

**1. Increases Cultural
Awareness &
Understanding**

**2. Develops
Critical
Thinking
Skills**

**3. Enhances Knowledge of
World Affairs**

**4. Builds Respect for the
Past & Enthusiasm
for Current Events**

**5. Develops
Skills for
Cross-
curricular
Learning**

Athletics /Teams

The Royal Bay Ravens senior girls basketball team had their Seniors Night before their game against PCS last Tuesday. We would like to thank all of our parents for coming out and celebrating this time and these athletes. The seniors are Amber Brown, Taylor Reeve, Stef Peat, Haydin Gibson, Maren McKeown and Brooklyn Massey (no picture yet). Thanks again for all of your support.

Senior Girls Coaching staff



Athletics /Teams, cont.



ATHLETIC CLOTHING FOR SALE! SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL TEAMS!!



PURCHASE ONLINE VIA THE LINK BELOW:

<https://store.passionsports.ca/RBAthletics/shop/home>



- 1 - VISIT OUR ONLINE LINK**
- 2 - PURCHASE YOUR ITEMS (through online payment)**
- 3 - ITEMS DELIVERED 3 WEEKS AFTER STORE CLOSING**

Questions? Email Mr. Hobson - bhobson@sd62.bc.ca



Grad Corner



2023 Grad's Important Dates/Deadlines

Friday, February 10	Valedictorian Nomination packages sent to mlait@sd62.bc.ca
Friday, February 10	Grad Ski Trip to Mt. Washington
Tuesday, March 7	Online Voting for Valedictorian
Wednesday, March 15	Grad Comments and Grad Ceremony graduation fee due!
Saturday, May 6	Dry Grad Carnival at RBSS
Tuesday, May 23	Grad Rehearsal at UVic
Sunday, June 4	Grad Ceremony at UVic
Friday, June 23	Prom at The Crystal Gardens

Grad Corner



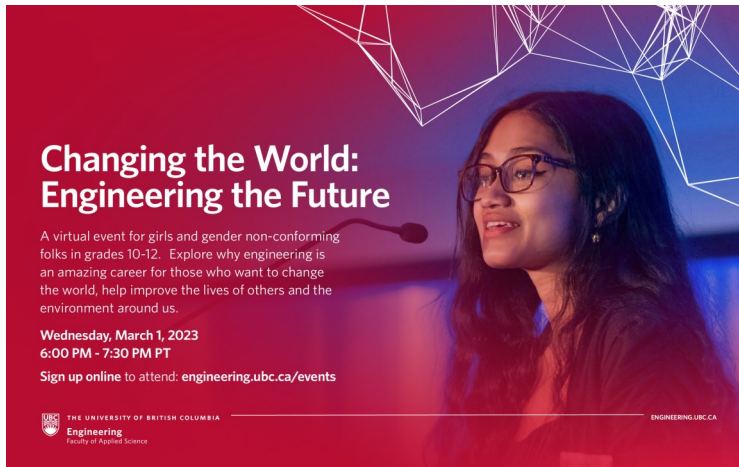
“Grad 2023 T-shirts will be available for sale for \$ 20.00 starting this week.

Two colour options are offered in sizes small to X-large.

See Mr. Burgess in room 2146 to purchase.

Cash or cheque (payable to SD62) only!”

Careers Department



Changing the World: Engineering the Future

A virtual event for girls and gender non-conforming folks in grades 10-12. Explore why engineering is an amazing career for those who want to change the world, help improve the lives of others and the environment around us.

Wednesday, March 1, 2023
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM PT

Sign up online to attend: engineering.ubc.ca/events

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
Engineering Faculty of Applied Science
ENGINEERING UBC.CA

DO SOMETHING **TODAY** TO CHANGE
BRITISH COLUMBIA **TOMORROW!**

What's the Big Idea?

A contest for Grades 10, 11 and 12 students at Esquimalt and Royal Bay High Schools and Lécole Victor-Brodeur

What's your Big Idea to change BC?

The topic? Up to you.

- ▶ Jobs for the future?
- ▶ Climate change?
- ▶ Education?
- ▶ Other?

Winners will be invited to shadow MLA Mitzi Dean at the Legislature later in April.

Submission info below.



Submit your **Big Idea** to Mitzi.Dean.MLA@leg.bc.ca by Sunday, April 2.

INFORMATION: 250-952-5885

A project of the Honourable Mitzi Dean,
Member of the BC Legislative Assembly for Esquimalt-Metchosin

GREATER VICTORIA HIRING AND POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION EVENT

February 23, 2023, 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
BAY STREET ARMOURY
715 Bay Street, Victoria, B.C.

FEATURING 50+ EXHIBITORS & GROWING

FREE ADMISSION
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VIRTUAL GREEN COLLAR FUTURES CONFERENCE

Saturday February 11, 2023

Learn about emerging sustainability career opportunities,
education requirements, job prospects and more!
Counts towards your 30 hour Career Explore requirement

Register by February 8th




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Careers Department cont.

To learn more or to apply, scan
the QR code.

A group of four diverse students (two girls and two boys) standing together and holding a large white sign. The sign contains text about the YMCA Summer Student Work Exchange Program. The students are dressed in casual attire like sweaters, jeans, and sneakers. The background is a solid light beige color.

————— YMCA —————

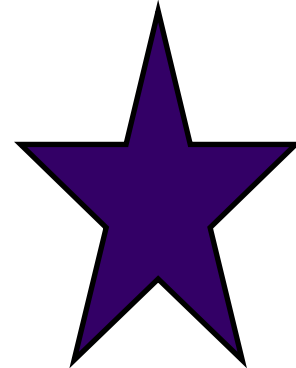
**Summer Student Work
Exchange Program**

Travel, work and improve
your French!

Early bird deadline is February 26th

Your paragraph text

Counsellors' Corner



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 12 & 14, 2022
Times: 5:00- 7:00 pm

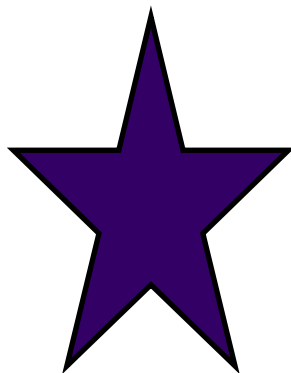
Dates: January 23 & 25, 2023
Times: 9:00- 11:00 am

Dates: February 21 & 23, 2023
Times: 4:00- 6:00 pm

Dates: March 6, 8, 13, 15, 2023
Times: 12:00- 1:00 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.



EVERY MONTH, WE HOST EVENTS FOR FAMILIES CALLED 'IN THE KNOW'. WE WATCH A VIDEO AND SHARE EXPERIENCES AND STRATEGIES THAT HELP IN THE HARD MOMENTS. WE HELP FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING OUR UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTION WITH OUR KIDS.

For Families: A Conversation About Eating Disorders

Families don't cause eating disorders but they can be one of the most effective influences in their child's recovery.

Listen to a young person, parent and Eating Disorder Therapist share their perspectives and knowledge as they talk about the continuum of disordered eating, what to be aware of, the importance of connection and strategies that can help support recovery.

Come together with other families to watch this 30 minute video presentation followed by a facilitated discussion by a FamilySmart Parent Peer Support Worker.

Cost: Free of Charge

Date(s):

Thursday February 2, 2023 630-8pm (PST)
Monday February 6, 2023 5-630pm (PST)
Tuesday February 7, 2023 12-130pm (PST)
Wednesday February 15, 2023 630-8pm (PST)
Monday February 27, 2023 930-11am (PST)

Registration required:
www.familysmart.ca/events

