

This week in The Raven's Nest



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November 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



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WEEK of:

November 6-10, 2023

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| Monday | • Post Secondary Visits |
| Tuesday | • Wellness Centre (9:30—3:30 pm)
• Hold and Secure Drill @ 9:30 am |
| Wednesday | |
| Thursday | • Wellness Centre (9:30—3:30 pm) |
| Friday | • Remembrance Day Assembly |

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Important dates to Remember

November 6	Post Secondary BC Visits
November 7	Hold and Secure Drill @ 9:30 am
November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
November 13	Day in Lieu Remembrance Day STAT—no school
Nov 21– Dec 7	Grad Photos
November 17	Report Cards Issued
November 21	Fire Drill # 3 @ 9:20 am
November 23	Early Dismissal 3 Hrs—Learning Conferences
November 24	NID—Pro-D—no school
November 29	10,000 Tonight 5—10 pm
December 6	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
December 7	Winter Music Concert
December 21	Winter Formal
December 22	Santa Breakfast
December 22	Last Day before Winter Break
Dec 25– Jan 5	Winter Break
January 8, 2024	School Reopens
January 10	PAC Meeting at 6:30 PM
January 24—25	Grad Assessments
January 24—26	GRAD Photo Retakes
January 29	Semester 1 Ends
January 30	Semester 2 Begins
February 9	Fire Drill #4 @ 9:20 am
February 16	PRO D—No School
February 19	Family Day—No School
February 28	Pink Shirt Day
March 6	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
March 7	Lockdown Drill @ 11 am
March 15	Last Day of School before Springbreak
March 18—28	Springbreak—No School
March 29	Good Friday—No School
April 1	Easter Monday—No School
April 2	Day in Lieu of March 29 STAT—No School
April 3	School Reopens

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From the Admin



Welcome to November!

In the coming week we will celebrate Veteran's Week culminating in our Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday.

We'll be holding a Hold and Secure Drill on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

Students will also be working diligently in the coming days/weeks to prepare for our Term 1 Written Learning Update which will be posted in MyEd on Friday, November 17, 2023.



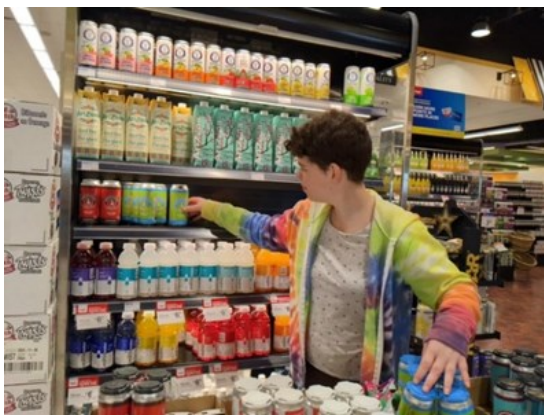
The Sustainable Community Council, a RBSS club, lead by Ms. ten Hove and RBSS alumni, Colin Sparks, has partnered with the City of Colwood and Mr. McRae's Royal Bay Outdoor Ed class to engage in restorative environmental work that will result in a Garry Oak meadow and outdoor learning space for students and the community.

Around the Raven's Nest!

Skills for LIFE!

The Skills for Life Program at Royal Bay is made up of an amazing group of students and their dedicated team of staff. Our program offers a wide range of knowledge and skills that provide our students with the tools to help them handle daily tasks and develop into active members of our community. These life skills are learned daily within the classroom, school and our local community. They help to prepare our students for their transitions to adulthood and participating in their community and workplace.

This year, we have partnered with **Quality Foods** Royal Bay to provide our students with some volunteer work experience. Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, you will see our Royal Bay Skills for Life students working at Quality Foods and gaining valuable skills for adulthood.



RBSS PAC Corner

2023-2024 PAC

Executive Members

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

PAC meetings for 2023-2024:

Dec 6, 2023

Jan 10, 2024

Feb 7, 2024

Mar 6, 2024

Apr 3, 2024

May 1, 2024

June 5, 2024

President:	Caroline Aked
Vice President:	Nevada Kaludjer
Treasurer:	Melissa Da Silva
Secretary:	Nicole Blanchard
SPEAC Rep	Allison Hyatt
Communications Officer:	Tiffany Magionas

PAC email: royalbaypac@gmail.com



PAC's Peninsula Co-op number 134056

November 6—10, 2023



	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot Main	Spaghetti and Garlic Bread	Meatloaf and Side Salad	Salmon Burger with Roast Potatoes	Squash Soup
	Vegetarian	Spaghetti and Garlic Bread	Roast Beet Salad	Veggie Burger with Roast Potatoes	Squash Soup
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Chipotle Chicken	Turkey	Roast beef	Trio
	Appie	Samosa	Samosa	Samosa	Samosa
BAKING	Desserts	Hokey Pokey Ice-Cream/ Crème Brulee	Hokey Pokey Ice-Cream/ Crème Brulee	Hokey Pokey Ice-Cream/ Crème Brulee	Hokey Pokey Ice-Cream/ Crème Brulee

Reminders

Student Emergency Release Form:

Reminder to return the salmon colored **student emergency release form** that was given to students to bring home at the beginning of September. This form is **NOT** used to update contact information. Students can hand the completed form to the office or it can be scanned and emailed to royalbay@sd62.bc.ca

Extra forms are available in the office.

Student Contact Information:

It is important for the school to have current and accurate email addresses and phone numbers for all parents/guardians, as well as emergency contact people in the instance that we cannot reach a parent or guardian.

Please ensure that contact details are up to date in the Parent Portal. If any updates need to be made please email the office staff with the changes at royalbay@sd62.bc.ca

Access Parent Portal: <https://www.sd62.bc.ca/parents-students/myed-bc-portal>

REMINDER SD62 Schools are Scent Free

Please remember that a number of students and adults in our building are allergic and sensitive to perfumes and such scents.

Your understanding and attention are greatly appreciated.



School Cash Online Account:

Please check your school Cash Online account and **pay your outstanding school fees**. If you need support with this, please contact your student's VP or school counselor.

Thanks in advance for your attention to this.

<https://www.schoolcashonline.com>

Grad Corner



Dry GRAD Carnival Committee

We will have the first meeting **November 21 at 7 pm** in the Learning Commons.

We are always looking for enthusiastic parents (of ANY grade) to join our team!

If you are interested, please email:

rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com



GRAD Lanyards

"Grad Lanyards are still available!! Only \$5 – CASH!"

"Act quickly!! Only a limited number available."

"Drop by Mr. Burgess' room (2115) with the cash for pick-up"



RBSS Grad Photos

RBSS Grad Photos booking calendar is now open.

Go to: Schedule.prestigeportraits.ca to book your sitting.

Please note that all sittings will occur at the following location:

Prestige Portraits Studio

#104 - 1740 Island Hwy, Victoria V9B 1H8



JR Girls Volleyball



The grade 10 girls volleyball team has had a busy and successful few weeks. They enjoyed a Halloween tournament, The Bumpin' Pumpkin, at Oak Bay High School last weekend, and followed it up by competing in the Lower Island Championships.

The team played some challenging matches and won enough games to qualify for the Island Championships!! This is exciting news for our players and we wish them luck as they travel to Parksville on Monday and Tuesday next week for this tournament.

Thank You to our Sponsors



From the Learning Commons



Careers Department



Scholarship Information for Grads:

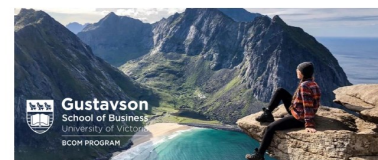
Here is the link to the *Royal Bay Scholarship website*. It provides a list of scholarships, organized by months, as well as information about writing scholarship resumes, cover letters and essays.

<https://royalbay.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/scholarships/>

Another useful link *RBSS 2023/24 Scholarship Google Classroom*.

Not only does it contain the Scholarship website, but it is also where announcements and other useful and related information are posted.

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NTI0MDY1NDI0Mzc5?cjc=gcasrkx>



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Leadership Opportunity

Are you interested in mental health initiatives?
Do you want to earn training as a student mentor?

Then Here4Peers is for you!

School-based training will be provided to prepared you to present to Dunsmuir students

To sign up, see Ms. Huculak in the Career Commons.

Here4Peers is an evidence-based project designed and led by trained professionals.

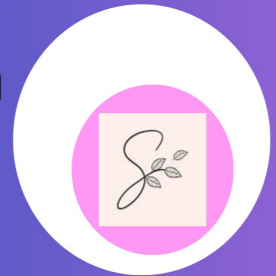


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www.sivw.ca

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The Naval Experience Program

One year. Fully paid. Adventure awaits!

Who is this program for?

Not sure if the Royal Canadian Navy is for you? This is the perfect way to find out. The Naval Experience Program is for anyone seeking adventure, meaningful employment, and who is willing to try something new but only looking for a one-year commitment at this point. Think of it as a Navy "gap year" except it's fully paid and can lead to amazing career opportunities.

What is the program?

This new, one-year program is aimed at providing Canadians with exposure to the Royal Canadian Navy.

Candidates will receive or participate in:

- A general Navy onboarding period
- A four-week Naval Environmental Training Program (including Damage Control School) followed by periods at sea
- Opportunities to shadow a number of Navy jobs and exposure to a wide variety of skills both ashore and at sea
- Visits to units, ships/submarines and bases
- Opportunities for additional Navy training
- A full salary

All qualifications earned and time-in-service will count towards a future military career.

Where is it held?

Basic training takes place at a Canadian Forces Leadership and Recruiting School. The rest of the program takes place in Halifax, Nova Scotia or Esquimalt, British Columbia, and participants can make their coastal preference known early in the application process. Participants will have free accommodations with meals included (taxable benefit).

When?

The Naval Experience Program is offered continuously. There are no cut-off dates, and applicants can begin the program year-round.

Why?

Unlike other entry plans, the Naval Experience Program gives participants the opportunity to shadow a variety of Navy jobs before applying for a trade.

At the end of the program, participants will have the choice to continue serving in the Navy (full or part-time), transfer to another element, or leave the Navy, no strings attached.

For those who choose to stay, they will apply for a trade based on their preference and qualifications, and for those who choose to leave, they'll get an amazing experience and something great to put on their resume.

One year. Fully paid. Adventure awaits!

Scan the QR code for more information.



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Parents as Education & Career Coaches Workshop

Parents & Student Supporters

Join our virtual **Parents as Education & Career Coaches (PECC)** Workshop to learn how you can help support your student in planning for their future. The information will be especially helpful for families with students in Grades 10-12.

Sessions are engaging and informative, and include a website tour followed by a Q&A.

Topics include

- B.C.'s post-secondary education landscape, including institutions and credentials
- Programs, admission requirements, and application dates
- Costs of post-secondary and financial aid options
- Career exploration resources
- Using My List to save and compare programs
- Applying for admission through EducationPlannerBC

Register Now

EducationPlannerBC
with SD 61,62,63,64 - Victoria, Sooke, Saanich, Gulf Islands
Wednesday, November 8, 2023
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
MS Teams



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For more information, contact: support@educationplannerbc.ca



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Nov 21, 2023
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
UVic MSB 150 & Zoom

RSVP @ imp.med.ubc.ca/ShirzadInfoSession2023



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Are You Interested In Trades?

The Trades Awareness (TASK) is a “hands on” program and is offered in partnership with Camosun College. TASK exposes interested students to various construction and mechanical trades as they explore units in carpentry, electrical, plumbing and metal trades. The program also provides students with industry certifications such as:

- First Aid
- Safety Star
- WHIMIS
- Fall Arrest

Work experience is also a key component of the TASK Program and gives students an opportunity to develop employability skills which may lead to a paid job and an apprenticeship. Classes and training will take place at Royal Bay Secondary School, Camosun College and off-site depending on the projects.

Applications now available in the Career Commons.

Counsellors' Corner

'intheknow' Connect and Learn

For families and caring adults who
are parenting a child or youth with
mental health and/or substance
use challenges.

EVERY MONTH, WE HOST EVENTS FOR FAMILIES CALLED 'IN THE KNOW'.
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HELP IN THE HARD MOMENTS. WE HELP FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING OUR
UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTION WITH OUR KIDS.

Emotion Regulation

Young people face many different stressors in today's world. This can often lead to feelings of overwhelm and dysregulation. This event offers support to parents and caregivers with information and strategies to cope with emotion dysregulation and will talk about the critical role that parents and caregivers play in creating the environment for positive change for their young people especially when things can be the most challenging.

Come together with other families to watch this 35 minute video presentation followed by a 40 minute facilitated discussion by a FamilySmart Parent Peer Support Worker.



Cost: Free of Charge

Date(s):


Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 6:00pm (PST)
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 6:30pm (PST)
Thursday, November 16, 2023, 12:00pm (PST)
Tuesday, November 21, 2023, 6:00pm (PST)
Thursday, November 23, 2023, 6:30pm (PST)

Registration required:

www.familysmart.ca/events



This and That



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POLICE CAMP

MARCH 16-23, 2024

LOCATION: ALBERT HEAD

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Police Camp is staffed by police officers, reserve officers of the local municipal police services (Victoria, Saanich, Central Saanich and Oak Bay) as well as the RCMP.

Contact your Career Centre for more information.




September 2023

RAISING DIGITALLY RESPONSIBLE YOUTH

a guide for parents and caregivers

Safer Schools Together International Centre for Digital Threat Assessment

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Wellness Centre @ Royal Bay

Youth Health Clinics Hours
September 7th to December 21st 2023
appointments & drop-in available
call: 250-519-3580

Monday	Discovery Counselling by appointment only: Theresa Kauffman
Tuesday	Physician: Dr. Corene Boe 9:30 to 3:30pm (Sept 19 th start)
Wednesday	Discovery Counselling by appointment only: Theresa Kauffman
Alternating Thursdays	Public Health Nurse 9:00 to 11:00am (Sept 7 th start)
Friday	CLOSED

Clients up to 25 years of age:

Physician Services:

- ✓ Mental health & wellness
- ✓ Illness
- ✓ Sports Injury

Public Health Nurse Services:

- ✓ Birth Control
- ✓ STI testing & treatment
- ✓ Sexual decision making and relationships
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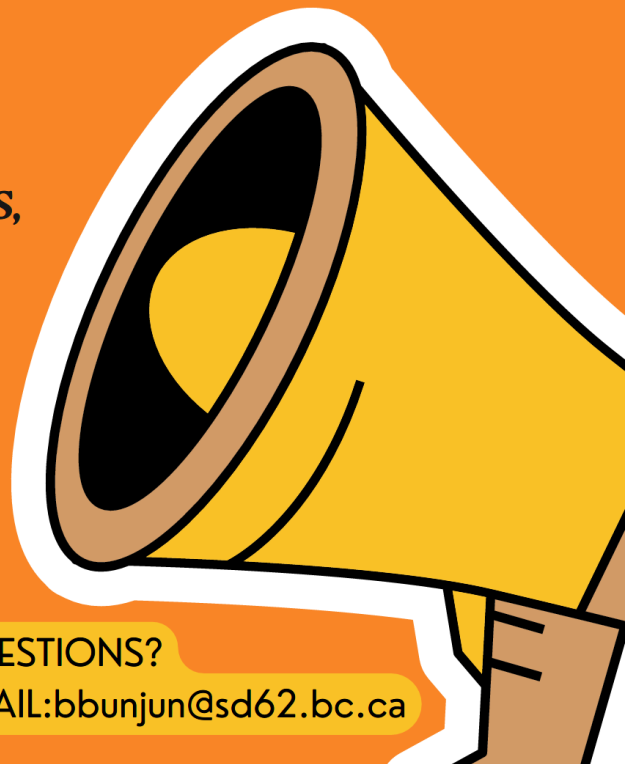
WE ARE LOOKING TO COLLECT:

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- **SOCKS, TUQUES, SCARVES, MITTENS, GLOVES).**
- **TOILET PAPER, PADS, TAMPONS.**
- **GENTLY USED PURSES**

**DONATE
IN THE OFFICE
TODAY!**

**Donation Deadline
17 NOVEMBER, 2023**

**QUESTIONS?
EMAIL: bbunjun@sd62.bc.ca**



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HALLOWEEN FUN

International students, English Language Learners, and newcomers carved pumpkins (some for the first time!) and shared treats and laughs with our amazing Ambassadors.

*Thank
you!*



Pumpkins donated by:
Thrifty Foods



Legion 91 Connection



PLEASE SUPPORT THE 2023 POPPY CAMPAIGN

OCTOBER 27th – NOVEMBER 11th

Our Silent Reminder
The Reminder of Sacrifice

The 2023 Poppy Campaign for the West Shore community will be officially launched on Friday, October 27th with an important traditional Poppy flag raising ceremony marking the opening of the annual Campaign at 11:00 a.m. at our newly renovated Legion in Langford. Norm Scott, President of the Branch, will present Ravi Parmar, MLA for Langford-Juan de Fuca with the symbolic first Poppy. The public is kindly invited to attend. Following the opening ceremony, the Legion COLOUR PARTY will visit Langford City Hall, Highlands Municipal Hall, and Colwood City Hall for the raising of the flag at these locations. Contact your community hall for confirmation of times.

We are always getting financial requests for assistance and support. There will be countless ways to give back to Canada's Veterans. Whether it is volunteering, donating to the Campaign or raise awareness about Veterans' needs, there's something everyone can contribute.

The only way we can achieve the goals we set forth every year is to get as much help from **Our Community** and of course, **Our Legion Membership**. So, when a Legion Volunteer arrives at your business, or you see them offering poppies at various West Shore locations, **Please Give Them Your**

Support. It is a known fact, that there are many Westshore residents who want to donate, but don't carry cash anymore. A number of businesses who have donation trays, have posted notices advising the "without cash" customers, that they can donate using a credit or debit card by way of their POS (Point of Sales) system. And, at the end of the Campaign, the business sends a cheque to the Poppy Fund for the donations received. To those businesses we send a huge "Thank You" for being so considerate!

Donation trays can be requested by contacting the **Legion Poppy Office (250-478-1828)**.

We Need You to Help Us Help Others. The Langford Legion Branch No.91 and the West Shore Poppy Committee Society would like to invite You to step forward and Volunteer for this year's campaign. As every year we desperately need your help manning various locations. We ask for two-hour shifts. The more volunteers we have the less for multiple shifts. If you want to **VOLUNTEER**, leave your name, and phone number at the **Branch Office at 250-478-1828 or call Nola @ 250-882-0031**.

Remember, You Do Not Have to Be a Legion Member to Volunteer.

PLEASE CUT OUT the DONATION REQUEST below

Unless requested, receipts issued only for donations of \$25.00 and over. Enclosed donation: \$.....By cheque ____By Cash____ Receipt Y/N	
OR, by Credit Card and through our website, www.RCL91.ca	
Please make cheque payable to WEST SHORE POPPY FUND COMMITTEE SOCIETY , And mail or drop off with this form to: West Shore Poppy Fund Committee Society, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 91 Langford 761 Station Avenue, Victoria, B.C. V9B 2S1 CHARITY REGISTRATION NO. 89129 7343 RR 0001	
DO IT TODAY	
From:.....	
Name:..... (Please Print)	
Address:.....	
City:..... Postal Code:.....	
"Thank you and please continue to support our Veterans and their dependents that are in need"	
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Legion 91 Connection, con't



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 91 Langford, BC Youth Connections 2023-24 Calendar of Events



June & Sept. 2023

*Share Calendar with Schools in Westshore Area

October

*National Youth Remembrance Contests Promotion
(formerly Remembrance Poster/Literary Contests)

for more information visit

<https://legionbcyukon.ca/remembrance/youth-remembrance-contest/>

and

<https://www.legion.ca/communities-youth/youth-education/remembrance-contests>

October

***October 24 – Remembrance Resources Sharing Session 4-6 pm**
Hosted by Branch 91 – RSVP by October 18

***Oct. 25 – Legion Poppy Campaign begins – Volunteers wanted** (Community Service)

***Oct. 25 - Raising of Poppy Flag** at City Halls in Westshore (times TBA)

November

***National Youth remembrance Contests Deadlines** (TBA)
Contact Legion Branch 91 for details

***Nov. 5-11 – Veterans' Week**

***Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day** Parade & Ceremony – Veterans' Memorial Park

***Nov. 13 – Valentines for Veterans (V 4 V)** Project begins – notices to teachers

***Nov. 30 – Deadline for Registration for Valentines for Veterans** (see poster info)

December

***Dec. 1 – Deadline for V 4 V registration forms** to Legion or Youth Coordinator

January 2023

***Week of Jan. 15 – Pick up date for V 4 V** from participating schools

February

***Feb. 14 – Valentines Day**

April

***Apr. 1 – Legion Branch 91 Bursary Application Deadline for Grads** (see Branch 91 Website)

***April 9 - Vimy Ridge Candlelight Vigil** – Veterans Memorial Park – dusk –
(specific time TBA)

August

Royal Canadian Legion Nation Youth Track & Field Championships (dates TBA)

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE AND OTHER YOUTH CONNECTIONS OPPORTUNITIES

call (250)-478-1828

or email Gerry Brennan - legion91youthcoordinator@gmail.com