

# This week in The Raven's Nest



## École Royal Bay Secondary School

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## Week of April 8—12 2024

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 Nuuchahnulth 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 – Nuuchahnulth



### Student Learning Confer- ences April 18th !!!

See inside for details

### WEEK of:

April 8 —12, 2024

- Monday • Grade 12 Assembly B Block
- Tuesday • Grade 11 Assembly
- Wednesday •
- Thursday • Wellness Centre (9:30—3:30 pm)
- Friday •

### Grad Information!

This Wednesday, our grade 12's received the following on Wednesday to take home!

- PROM Consent Form
- Dry Grad Carnival Form
- GRAD Ceremony Ticket Request Form

... If you haven't seen these yet, PLEASE reach out the front office.

## Important dates to Remember

April 8	Grade 12 Assembly B Block
April 9	Grade 11 Assembly B Block
April 15	Grade 10 Assembly B Block
April 16	Grade 9 Assembly B Block
April 15—19	Graduation Assessments
April 18	Term 3 Ends & 3hr Early Dismissal
April 18	Student Learning Conferences
April 18	School Reports published via MyEd
April 19	PRO D—No School
April 22	Term 4 Begins
April 25	Fire Drill #5 @ 2:15 pm
April 25	Grade 11 Careers Event @ Archie Browning
April 25	PAC Burger and Beverage Fundraiser
May 1	PAC Meeting @ 630 pm
May 4	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 8—11	RBSS Musical in Theatre
May 16	Fire Drill #6 @ 9:20 am
May 17	Pro D - NO School
May 20	Victoria Day - NO School
May 28	GRAD Rehearsals @ UVic
June 2	GRAD Ceremony @ UVic
June 5	PAC Meeting @ 6:20 pm
June 11	RBSS Dance Performance @ 7 pm
June 12	RBSS Dance Performance @ 7 pm
June 13	RBSS Music Concert @ 7 pm
June 14	PROM @ Crystal Gardens
June 24	Last Day of Classes
June 25-27	"I" Days
June 27	Last Day of School

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## The Mighty Jr. Boys Ravens Rugby Report

Thursday, the junior boys, rugby team took on Port Alberni Armada in the first home game this season of the year.



The Ravens came out flying to take an early 5-0 lead with a try from Vaan.

But Port responded quickly with two scores of their own taking a 10 to 5 lead. Just before half Keane sliced through the Armada defence making a 40-meter run to level the score into half 10-10.

Quickly after the break the mighty Ravens came out with 2 quick tries from Edward and Howie, with both conversions made by Vaan, to take a 24-10 lead.

The Ravens added one more converted try by Vaan who had a game-high 14 points.

Huge contribution from all the boys and in particular the FAB 3 of Sydney, Tito and James. With big defensive games from Alex, Jack and Gavin.

Boys take on Brentwood on the 18th at the Birds Nest! TICKETS AVAILABLE



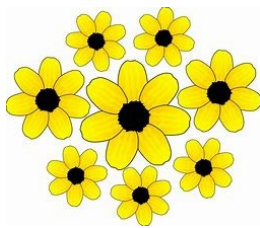
## RBSS PAC Corner

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

*PAC meetings for 2023-2024:*

May 1, 2024

June 5, 2024



**April 8 –12, 2024**

# Café is open again!



The Ravenous Café is back open for business. Come to the café for some healthy, delicious food made by our

## 2023-2024 PAC

### **Executive Members**

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](mailto:royalbaypac@gmail.com)



*PAC's Peninsula Co-op number 134056*





## From the Admin con't

### **RBSS's Inaugural Spring Fling Dance**

A huge shout out to Mr. McElroy, Mr. Cook and our fantastic leadership students for putting on a very successful school dance.

It was great to see so many students arrive, in formal wear, and have fun. Students danced until the very last song was played.





# Belize Trip 2024

Over Spring Break, 24 students & 4 teacher chaperones from RBSS & EMCS travelled to Belize with EF Tours. It was an amazing experience for everyone involved. We climbed Mayan ruins, went snorkeling, cave tubing and ziplining, visited a school and endured a 40C heat wave. We learned about tropical rainforest and reef ecosystems and the plant & animal species that live there. Below are a few of the highlights!



Top-Bottom, L-R: The group at the beach; May in snorkel gear; visiting a school; cave tubing; climbing Xunantunich; Lily tasting termites – they are minty!





## Carpentras 2024!

A number of our Grade 11 French Immersion students have embarked on a month long cultural and language exchange with a high school, Lycee Marie Pila in Carpentras, France. The students participated in a reciprocal exchange and are attending a French Lycée for the month of March. Students fully participated in the day to day activities of the school and had an amazing time traveling and experiencing life in Southern France. Students were introduced to French culture, immersed themselves in French language and spent time learning about the richness of French history. Mlle. Berteau (French Immersion teacher, and Mr. Lait, VP) traveled with the students to act as chaperons. This is the second year of this program, and it has quickly become a highlight of the ÉRBSS French Immersion Program. We are excited to welcome the French students to Ecole Royal Bay Secondary School next October so that we can introduce them to the incredible West Coast and life in a Canadian High School.

# Mark your Calendars!

## Student Learning Conferences and Early Dismissal

**April 18, 2024**

On April 3rd, more information will be sent home to families and will include the link to book student learning conferences



## Graduation Ceremony Ticket Requests

On April 3rd, Ticket Request Forms will be handed out to Grad Students

Cost Per Ticket is \$6

Payments Due no later than Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Due to the venue capacity there will only be a maximum of 5 tickets per graduating student

Availability of extra tickets will be announced later in May



## Prom Consent Forms

On April 3rd, Prom Consent Forms will be handed out to Grad Students

Cost Per Person is \$150

Payment Due no later than Wednesday, May 1, 2024



## Dry Grad Carnival

On April 3rd, Dry Grad Carnival Forms will be handed out to Grad Students

Cost Per Person is \$50

Payment Due no later than Thursday, April 18, 2024







# 2024 GRAD

## Important Dates/Deadlines

February 26	GRAD Comment & Fee Forms Handed Out
March 13	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Due
April 3	PROM Consent Form Handed Out
April 3	Dry Grad Carnival Form Handed Out
April 3	GRAD Ceremony Ticket Request Form Handed Out
April 18	Dry Grad Carnival Payment Due
April 24	GRAD Ceremony Ticket Request Form Due
April 24	Yearbook Quotes are Due
April 30	GRAD Ceremony Stage Comments are Due
May 1	PROM Consent Form & Payment Due
May 4	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 28	GRAD Rehearsals @UVic
June 2	GRAD Ceremony @UVic 11 am & 3 pm
June 14	PROM @Crystal Gardens

### 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”

# Grad Corner



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Firstly, congratulations! We couldn't be prouder of our 2024 graduating class and the impact they've had on our learning community. As we enter the graduation season, we want to highlight a few important matters.

**Attendance and maintaining focus until the end of June are crucial.** This time is pivotal for our students as they wrap up their studies and prepare for the next chapter of their lives. Your support in encouraging them to stay committed to their studies until the very end is greatly appreciated.

As spring break approaches, we encourage you and your child to take some time to review the **scholarship website** (<https://royalbay.web.sd62.bc.ca/students/scholarships/>). Being aware of upcoming deadlines for scholarship applications can significantly benefit their future academic pursuits.

Additionally, we want to remind you of the importance of staying informed about upcoming events and deadlines. Please make note of the deadlines for forms and payments related to the Carnival, Graduation Ceremony, and Prom:

**Carnival:** May 4, 2024 7:00pm-1:00am (doors open at 6:45pm)  
Cost: \$50 [Forms & Payment Due: April 18, 2024](#)

**Graduation Ceremony at Farquar Auditorium, UVic:** June 2, 2024 11 am and 2 pm  
Cost: \$50 [Forms & Payment Due: March 13, 2024](#)

**Graduation Ceremony Guest Tickets:** June 2, 2024  
Cost: \$6 per ticket [Forms & Payment Due: April 24, 2024](#)

**Prom at Crystal Garden:** June 14, 2024 (doors open at 5:30 pm)  
Group photo at Parliament Buildings at 5:00 pm  
Cost: \$150 [Forms & Payment Due: April 24, 2024](#)

Additional due dates:

Yearbook quotes - due **April 24th**

Stage Comments - due **April 30th**

All forms are under the **Classwork** tab in the Google Classroom.

Grad season can be a financial strain. If your family requires support with the cost of purchasing tickets to attend these events, please contact your child's counsellor or vice principal.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our students' education. Together, we can make this graduation season memorable and successful for all involved.

~RBSS Admin Team



## Grad Corner con't

# Magic Wand

Why buy a grad tux or dress when you can borrow one?

**Complete Outfits Including:**

**Like new dresses, suits, tuxedos, shoes, and accessories.**

- Thanks to Magic Wand, I had an unforgettable grad
- I had an awesome grad with your beautiful dress
- My son looked spectacular!
- Thanks for a 'magical' graduation – you made my prom the best



To book an appointment, contact:  
**Elizabeth: [esurerus@telus.net](mailto:esurerus@telus.net)**

The **Magic Wand** is a non-profit organization that offers an eco-friendly and inexpensive alternative to prom outfits for boys and girls. A small fee for cleaning will be charged.

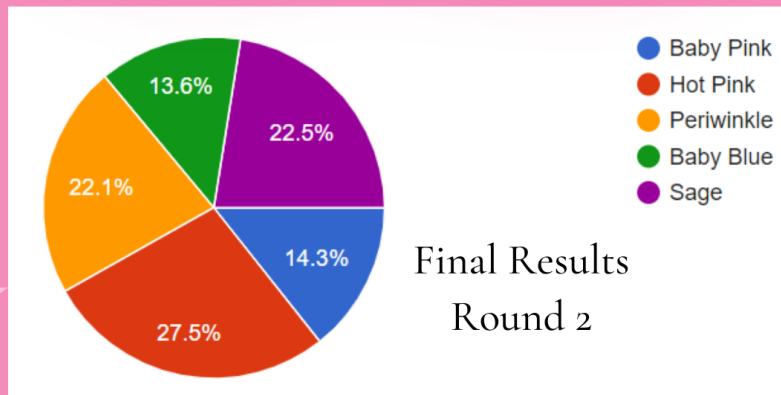
[www.themagicwandproject.com](http://www.themagicwandproject.com)



**OVER THE LAST WEEK,  
★ THE GRADE 11'S ★  
HAVE BEEN VOTING FOR THEIR  
GRAD 2025 COLOUR.  
IT HAS BEEN AN EXCITING AND  
EMOTIONAL TIME!  
BUT, THE STUDENTS HAVE  
SPOKEN!**

The Official Grad 2025 colour is

★ **HOT PINK** ★





# CALLING ALL PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, TEACHERS ETC

ROYAL BAY

DRY GRAD CARNIVAL

Saturday, May 4th 6:15pm-1:00am

## REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

In order for Royal Bay's Eighth Annual Dry Grad Carnival to be successful, we need approximately **100** volunteers to work a variety of stations throughout the evening. The shifts are from **6:15pm - 8:30pm** and **8:30pm - 10:45pm**. We are looking for parents, grandparents, etc... from **ANY** grade willing to volunteer their time to ensure the Carnival runs safely & smoothly. Let's give the grads of 2024 an amazing and memorable event!!

To sign up go online to <https://volunteersignup.org/ET8T8>.

For more information about volunteering, please email [RBSSdrygradvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:RBSSdrygradvolunteer@gmail.com)

Don't miss out on being a part of this awesome event!

Thank you in advance for your support!

Parent Grad Committee



## UPCOMING Scholarship Opportunities

February & Early March

### SCHOLARSHIPS

For more Scholarships and the links for criteria and applications visit:

[Ecole Royal Bay Secondary School Scholarship Website](#)

#### **MARCH**

##### **Peninsula CO-OP Scholarships**

UVIC Students = Apply between February 15th - May 1st, yearly

##### **BC Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association (BCPVPA) Scholarship**

Deadline: March 18, 2024

##### **Girl Guides of Canada**

Deadline: March 24, 2024

##### **The Co-operative Housing Federation of BC Scholarship**

Deadline: March 29, 2024 at 4:30pm

##### **VIU President's Entrance Scholarship for High School Students**

Deadline: March 30th

##### **VIU Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship for Aboriginal Students**

Deadline: March 30th

##### **Construction Foundation of BC Grants and Funding**

*\*The John Cunningham Program Deadline: March 30th (annually)*

*\*Mott Electric Women in Electrical Training Fund Deadline: March 30th (annually)*

*\*The Timber Wolf Legacy Fund Deadline: March 30th (annually)*

##### **Leonard Foundation Scholarship**

Deadline: March 31, 2024

##### **Freda Smith Memorial Bursary**

Deadline: March 31 (annually)

##### **Power Pioneers Community Service Award**

Due: March 31st (annually) *Applications are to be mailed in, so must be sent at least one week prior to the deadline.*

##### **BC Retired Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association (BCRPVPA) Awards**

Deadline: March 31st (annually)

##### **Kochhar & Co. Chartered Professional Accountants Scholarship**

Deadline: March 31, 2024





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#### **APRIL**

##### **District Authority Scholarships**

These scholarships recognize graduating B.C. students for excellence in their chosen area of interest. Winners receive a \$1250 voucher (valid up to 5 years) to use towards their post-secondary tuition.

There are seven categories to apply to:

*Applied Design, Community Service, Fine Arts, Indigenous Language & Culture, International Languages, Physical Activity, and Technical & Trades Training.*

**Deadline: April 17th, 2024 at 3:30pm**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Ed MacGregor Memorial Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17th, 2024 at 3:30 pm**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Nils Jensen Memorial Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17th, 2024 at 12:00 (noon)**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Monk Office Supply Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17, 2024 at 3:30**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Mosaic Forest Management Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17, 2024 at 3:30 pm**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Ron Warder Memorial Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17, 2024 at 3:30 pm**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Victor Chen Memorial Engineering Scholarship***

**Deadline: April 17, 2024 at 3:30 pm**

To Apply - Join the District Scholarship Google Classroom: Code [g7hof2s](#)

##### ***Sooke District Elementary, Middle and Secondary School PAC Bursaries***

The following applications are sponsored by the Parent Advisory Committee at each school. You can apply to all schools for which you were a member of the student body in your education pathway.

Please, visit the Scholarship Website to see individual schools and application criteria.

##### ***The West Shore RCMP Community Policing Advisory Committee Scholarships***

**Deadline: April 1st (annually)**

##### ***Colwood Volunteer Firefighter's Association Scholarship***

Please plan ahead for submission as you will need to mail your application through Canada Post - ideally, the application package should be mailed a week before the due date of April 1st.

**Deadline: April 1, 2024**

##### ***Ian Ford Trust Fund Bursary***

**Deadline: April 1st**



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**The Gaulin Foundation Memorial Scholarship**

**Deadline: April 1st (annually)**

**Coastal Community Credit Union's Scholarship Program**

**Deadline: April 1st, 2024**

**Catholic Health Association of BC Bursary**

**Deadline: early April 2024**

**Canadian Hard of Hearing Association Scholarship Program**

**Deadline: April 12, 2024**

**Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation**

**Deadline: April 14, 2023**

**ZONTA - Women in STEM Award**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**4-H British Columbia Provincial Scholarships**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**Ian Paton Sr. Memorial Scholarships**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**10 Words or Less Scholarship**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**Personal Guardian and Trustee Educational Assistance Fund**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**BCIT Entrance Scholarships**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**Jaymie-Lynn Memorial Bursary**

**Deadline: April 15, 2024**

**Victoria Diocesan Catholic Women's League Bursary**

**Deadline: April 15th**

**BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA)**

**Deadline: noon on April 16, 2024**

**West Shore RCMP Community Policing Advisory Committee Sarah Beckett Scholarship**

**Deadline: the last Friday of April each year**





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**BC Tech Scholarship Program**

Deadline: Late April (\*\*check the website for updated information)

**BC Soccer Association Scholarship**

Deadline: April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**The Educational Facility Managers Association of British Columbia Bursaries**

Deadline: April 30th, 2024

**Rocky Point Bird Observatory Award**

Deadline: April 30, 2024

**BC Lower Island Soccer Association Scholarships**

Deadline: April 30th

**BC Housing – Education Awards Program**

Deadline: 2:00pm, April 30th

**BC Hockey Scholarships**

Deadline: tba

**Pat Fletcher Scholarship Foundation - Golf Scholarship**

Deadline: April 30th

**Juan de Fuca Minor Hockey Association Scholarship**

Deadline: April 30th, 2024

**West Shore Community Response Network Award**

Due: April 30th

**Canadian Agri-Business Education Foundation**

Deadline: April 30th, 2024

# Careers Department

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SUMMER EMPLOYMENT IN THE TRADES?**

APPLY TO THE FEDERAL STUDENT WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (FSWEP) AT THE NAVY'S FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY LOCATED IN ESQUIMALT, BC.

**WE ARE CIVILIANS PROVIDING QUALITY, TECHNICAL SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY FLEET**

**WE OFFER:**

- 8 weeks of paid work experience from July 4 - August 23, 2024
- Unique Trades work on Royal Canadian Navy (RCN)
- Various trades experience available: Machinist, Millwright, Various Hull Trades: (Shipwright, Joiner, Painter, Lagger, Electroplater & Rigger), Various Metal Trades: (Metal Fabrication, Sheet Metal & Welder)

*If you are unsure which trade you are interested in we request that you narrow your choices to two.*

- Potential for future apprenticeship opportunities

Please see your Career Counsellor for further details on how to apply for this program.

*Application deadline to apply is April 4, 2024*

**COME JOIN OUR FAMILY!**

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**We Serve the Fleet**

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**CAMOSUN COLLEGE**

Camosun College will be hosting campus tours during Spring Break!

Scan the QR code to sign up:

**SD62 CAREER EDUCATION**  
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**2024/2025 TASK EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

Please submit this form if you are a student interested in participating in a district TASK program.  
C-TASK is at Royal Bay; A-TASK is at Belmont; M-TASK is at Edward Milne.

By completing this form, you are indicating that you would like to be contacted when application packages are available. The due date for applications will be May 15, 2024. Application packages will be emailed out to the email addresses provided below (student & parent/guardian).

This does not guarantee you a spot in a TASK program. Potential candidates are required to submit a full application and participate in an interview process.

USE THE QR CODE BELOW TO FILL OUT AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

District Career Education Leads, Secondary:  
Brian Holcovy [bholcovy@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:bholcovy@sd62.bc.ca)    Natalie Keitt [nkeitt@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:nkeitt@sd62.bc.ca)

For more information, please contact the Career Centre at your home school.

## From the Learning Commons

**Book Club Dates for March & April**

**Friday, March 8th**

**Fri. Apr. 5 and Fri. Apr. 26**

**At lunch in the Learning Commons!**