

# This week in The Raven's Nest



## École Royal Bay Secondary School

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## February 10-14, 2025

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



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### Calendar of Events for the WEEK

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| Monday    | • Healthy Relationship/GR 9                              |
| Tuesday   | • Healthy Relationship/GR 10                             |
| Wednesday |  |
| Thursday  |  |
| Friday    | • Non Instructional —No School<br>• Happy Valentines Day |



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## Important dates to Remember

February 11	Fire Drill #4 @ 9:20 am— <b>CANCELLED</b>
February 10	Healthy Relationships /GR9/A Block
February 11	Healthy Relationships?GR10/B Block
February 14	Non Instructional Day—No School
February 17	Family Day—No School
February 19-20	GR 11 & 12 Immunizations Clinic
February 20	Music Department Jazz Night @ 7pm in Theatre
February 21	last Day to Purchase a Yearbook
February 21	GRAD Bottle Drive
February 26	Pink Shirt Day
March 5	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
March 6	Volunteer Victoria Fair (9-12 pm)
March 6	Music Dept Presents Forte @ 7 pm in Theatre
March 10	Lock Down Drill @ 11 am
March 14	Last Day of School before Springbreak
March 17—28	Springbreak—No School
March 31	School Reopens
April 2	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
April 8/9	Provincial Assessments
April 10	Early Dismissal
April 10	Parent Teacher Conferences
April 11	Non Instructional Day—No School
April 17	Fire Drill #5 @ 2:15 pm
April 18	Good Friday—No School
April 21	Easter Monday—No School
April 22	Term 3 Ends
April 23	Term 4 Begins
April 25	Term 3 Report Cards Published
May 3	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 7	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
May 12	Non Instructional Day—No School
May 15	Fire Drill #6 @ 9:20 am

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# ÉRBSS PAC Corner!

## Meetings!

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

### Upcoming PAC meetings for 2024-2025:

- March 5
- May 7
- June 4

## 2024-25 Executives!

President:	Caroline Aked
Vice President:	Mary-Anne Showers
Treasurer:	Melissa Da Silva
Secretary:	Tara Campbell
SPEAC Rep	Allison Hyatt
Communications Officer:	Sahye Cummings

PAC email: [royalbaypac@gmail.com](mailto:royalbaypac@gmail.com)

## Dry GRAD Carnival Committee!

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

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|--------------------|-----------|------------|
| Upcoming Meetings: | • March 4 | • April 15 |
|                    | • April 1 | • April 22 |



PAC's Peninsula Co-op number  
134056

If you are interested, please email:

[rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com)

**February 10 - 13, 2025**



	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
<b>HOT SIDE</b>	<b>Hot Main</b>	<b>Closed</b>	Burrito	Spaghetti and Meat Sauce with Garlic Bread	Grilled Ham and Cheese with Potato Soup
	<b>Vegetarian</b>		Burrito	Spaghetti and Tomato Sauce with Garlic Bread	Grilled Caramelized Onions and Cheese with Potato Soup
<b>COLD SIDE</b>	<b>Wrap</b>		Turkey	Salami	Chicken
	<b>Appie</b>		Potato Skins/ Chicken Wings	Potato Skins/ Chicken Wings	Potato Skins/ Chicken Wings
<b>BAKING</b>	<b>Desserts</b>		Apple Crumble/ Chocolate Cupcakes	Apple Crumble/ Chocolate Cupcakes	Apple Crumble/ Chocolate Cupcakes

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## Healthy Relationships—GR 9 & 10!



3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way, Victoria, BC V9C 0J6  
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February 5, 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Re: Healthy Relationships Presentation

As an integral part of the Provincial Health Education Curriculum, ÉRBSS is looking forward to welcoming Mia Golden and Gord McGee from the Mobile Youth Service Team (MYST). MYST has been identified as the most important “Prevention and Intervention” team in Greater Victoria that focuses on Youth Exploitation.

Mia Golden has been a Youth and Family Counsellor for over 30 years and is the backbone of MYST. Her current partner is Cst. Gord Magee, bringing 26 years of policing experience to the team. On Monday and Tuesday Feb 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, Mia and Gord will be presenting a 60-minute workshop covering the following topics: Consent, Exploitation, The Impact of Pornography on the Brain, Online Safety, in addition to Safety Strategies and Resources for our students.

We feel fortunate to welcome Mia and Gord to facilitate these workshops. Our school counsellors will be available, after the sessions, should students need access to additional supports.

The assemblies will focus on our grade 9’s during A Block and grade 10’s B Block Monday and Tuesday.

Should you feel that this is not an assembly that you want your student to attend, we can excuse and have workspace provided in the school Learning Commons.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out.

Respectfully,

ÉRBSS Admin & Counselling Team



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## Grade 11 & 12 Immunizations!

### School Newsletter Grade 11 & 12



Public Health will be providing an opportunity for grade 11 and 12 students who remain eligible for childhood & school-age immunizations (excluding COVID-19 and influenza vaccines) to be immunized at an upcoming school-based immunization clinic. Certain vaccines are not publicly funded after the age of 18. **A letter with more information will be sent home with Grade 11 and 12 students shortly.**

B.C. has launched a Cancer Care Action Plan to better prevent, detect, and treat cancers. As part of the prevention strategy, Island Health students in grade 11 and 12 will be offered an additional opportunity to catch up on HPV vaccination, a safe and effective way to prevent a variety of cancers.

Please discuss the information in this letter with your child, as students in grade 11 and 12 will be offered the opportunity to consent to or refuse immunizations on their own behalf through the mature minor consent process. Children under the age of 19, who can understand the benefits of getting immunized, possible side effects after receiving the immunization, and the risk of not getting immunized, can legally consent to getting the immunization or refuse it.

**The school-based immunization clinic will be held February 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at Royal Bay Secondary.**

For more information visit HealthLinkBC: [The Infants Act, Mature Minor Consent and Immunization](https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/infants-act-mature-minor-consent-and-immunization) (<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/infants-act-mature-minor-consent-and-immunization>)

Please contact the Westshore Health Unit at 250-519-3490 if you have any questions.

## Congratulation's Max!

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Last weekend Max travelled to University of Washington with his running club 'Prairie Inn Harriers' to compete in the Mile City track meet. He won his section of 20 runners with a personal best of 4 minutes 54 seconds.



# Around the Raven's Nest

## Hockey 4Youth Program



ERBSS students participating in the Hockey4Youth program.

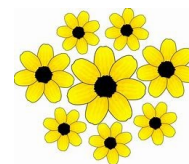
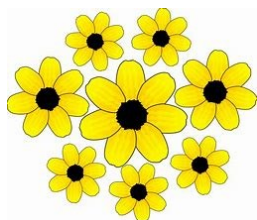
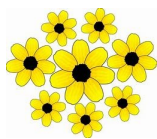


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## A Night Out at the Theatre

	<p>Pacific Opera Victoria Presents <b>The Little Prince</b> an opera sung in English</p> <p>\$15/ticket Mon. 17 Feb. 7:00pm The Royal Theatre Promocode B612School</p>		<p>Ballet Victoria with The Victoria Choral Society Presents</p> <p><b>Carmina Burana</b></p> <p>\$20/ticket</p> <p>Fri. 21 Mar. 7:30pm Sun. 23 Mar. 2:00pm The Royal Theatre</p> <p>Tickets through Cash online available until 6 March</p>
	<p>Victoria Symphony Presents</p> <p><b>The Princess Bride</b> with the original film</p> <p>\$25/ticket</p> <p>Sun. 30 March 2:30pm The Royal Theatre</p> <p>Tickets through Cash online available until 21 February</p>		<p>VOS Musical Theatre Presents</p> <p><b>Legally Blonde</b></p> <p>\$25/ticket</p> <p>1 May 7:30pm</p> <p>McPherson Playhouse</p> <p>Tickets through Cash online available until 10 April</p>
	<p>Coming Soon...</p>		<p>Cirque du Soleil Invites us to Crystal</p> <p>Sat. 10 May 7pm Sun. 11 May 5pm Save-On-Foods Arena</p> <p>Discount Code: VGROUP</p>

Any Questions Contact: [nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca)

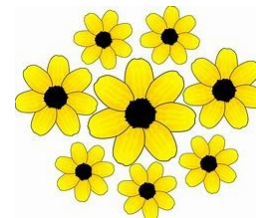
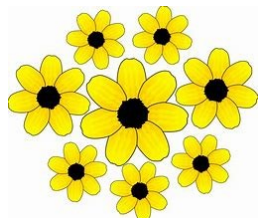
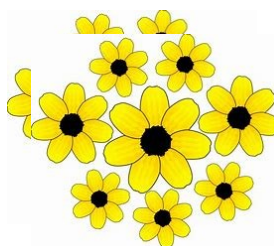


**FEBRUARY 1 - MARCH 12**



**RBSS STUDENT ART EXHIBITION**  
@ METCHOSIN POINT OF VIEW GALLERY

4495 HAPPY VALLEY RD, METCHOSIN, BC V9C 3Z3  
GALLERY HOURS: FRI - SUN 11AM- 4PM





# 2025 GRAD Important Dates/Deadlines

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November 8	Winter Formal Form Handed Out
November 13	Winter Formal Registration — OPENS
November 27	Winter Formal Fee Due no later than this Date—LIMITED SPACE
December 5	Butchart Gardens
December 10-22	GRAD Photos
December 19	Winter Formal
January 17	GRAD Ski Trip to Mt. Washington
January 28	GRAD Friendship Group Photos
January 29	GRAD Photo Retakes
February 3	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Form Handed Out
February 21	GRAD Bottle Drive
February 21	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Due no later than this date
March 3	Valedictorian Nominations Packages Due by Noon
March 3	Dry Grad Carnival Form Handed Out
March 10	Short List Announced for Valedictorian
March 31	PROM Consent Form Handed Out
March 31	GRAD Ceremony Ticket Request Form Handed Out
April 3	Submit Valedictorian Videos
April 11	GRAD Ceremony Ticket Request Form Due no later than this date
April 11-15	Online Voting for Valedictorian
April 16	Valedictorian Announced
April 17	Dry Grad Carnival Form and Payment Due no later than this date
May 3	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 23	PROM Consent Form & Payment Due no later than this date
TBD	GRAD Rehearsals @UVic
June 8	GRAD Ceremony @UVic 11 & 3 pm
June 12	FRIMM GRAD Celebration @ Royal Bay
June 20	PROM @Crystal Gardens

# Royal Bay Grad Class of 2025

# Bottle Drive



**Drop-off Location:**  
*Royal Bay Secondary*

Please drop off your  
bottles in front of the  
school between  
8:15am -1:30pm

**Feb. 21,  
2025**



We also can pick up your  
bottles for you.  
Please email Marc  
Burgess for a pick up  
time at:  
[mburgess@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:mburgess@sd62.bc.ca)

Thank you for  
supporting the Grad  
class of 2025!



### Ravens Jr Basketball

This week, the Junior Boys hosted a play-in game versus SMU for the last berth in the Lower Island Championships. The boys were clinical and dominated from the early onset. Daniel led all scorers with 27 points and 6 rebounds. The Ravens took a 14-point lead into the half. The second half saw the Ravens continue their pressure with Dax dropping 14 on the night while Jacob added 7. Huge defensive efforts from Carter and Justin on the night helped propel the Ravens to a 66-43 victory.

### Ravens Sr Basketball

The senior girls opened their RCMP tournament with a huge opening win vs Brentwood 68-54. The girls continued their success by winning the 2025 Moutie Cup. Players of the games went to Sharon, Maika, Avery and Palesa with Maika getting the Moutie Cup MVP.



### Rugby Tryouts

Jr. Boys Tuesday and Thursday

Sr. Boys Wednesday

Girls Rugby Friday

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# Scholarship Information!

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Click [HERE](#) to access the *École 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.

[HERE](#) is another useful link to the *ÉRBSS 2024/25 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.

Please email [scholarshiprbss@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:scholarshiprbss@sd62.bc.ca) for any scholarship assistance.

## Scholarship Awards Currently Open!

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### February-

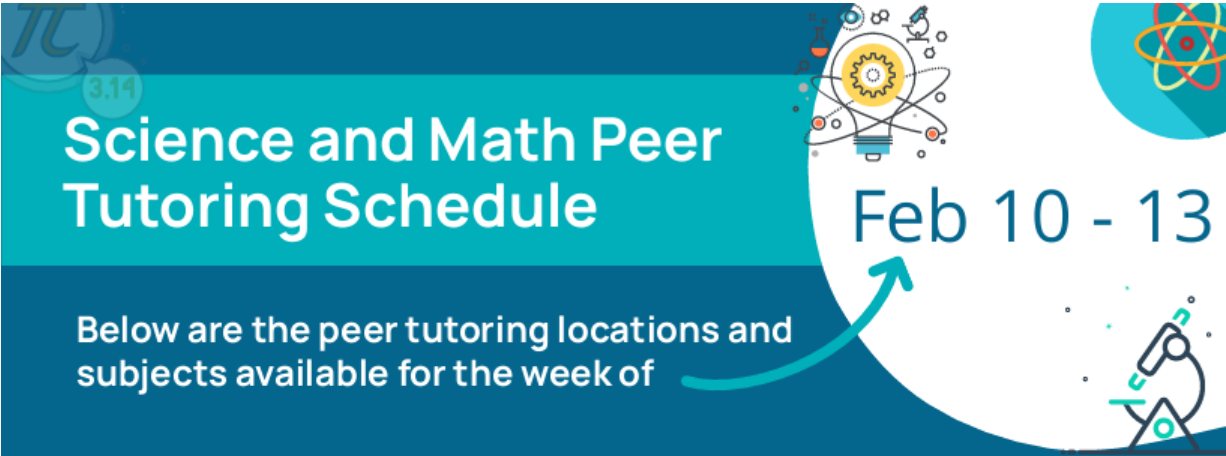
Kin Canada Foundation Scholarship	Deadline: February 1 2025
Omolk Foundation Scholarships	Deadline for application: February 7 2025
BC Excellence Scholarships	Deadline: February 10 2025
BOGEU (BC General Employees Union) Scholarships	Deadline: February 17 2025
Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship BC Ministry of Education	Deadline: February 17 2025
Indspire	Deadline: February 1 Aug 1 Nov 1 (annually)

### March-

SEG Scholarship	Deadline: March 1 2025
Lionel High School Chemistry Scholarship	Deadline: March 1 2025
British Columbia School Trustees Association	Deadline: March 2 2025
BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA)	Deadline: March 3 2025
Women's Cyber Security Scholarships	Deadline: March 3 2025
Sooke Teachers' Association Scholarship	Deadline: March 7, 2025
The Horatio Alger Scholarships	Deadline March 15 2025
Dr. Donald Rix Inspiring Business Excellence Scholarship	Deadline: March 15 2025
RE/MAX 2025 Quest for Excellence	Deadline: March 19 2025
VIU President's Entrance Scholarship for High School Students	Deadline: March 30 2025 at midnight
VIU Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship for Aboriginal Students	Deadline: March 30 2025 at midnight
The John Cunningham Program	Deadline: March 30 2025
Mott Electric Women in Electrical Training Fund	Deadline: March 30 2025
The Timber Wolf Legacy Fund	Deadline: March 30 2025
Leonard Foundation Scholarship	Deadline: March 31 2025
Freda Smith Memorial Bursary	Deadline: March 31 2025

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# This and That!



## Science and Math Peer Tutoring Schedule

### Feb 10 - 13


Below are the peer tutoring locations and subjects available for the week of

 <p><b>Monday @ LUNCH</b></p>	<p><b>Location: 3143</b></p> <p><b>Teacher Supervisor: BALDWIN</b></p>	<p><b>Subjects Available</b></p> <p>Math 9/10; Science 9/10 Chem 11 Physics 11 FRIMM 9 - 11</p>
 <p><b>Tuesday* AFTER School</b></p>	<p><b>Location: 3127</b></p> <p><b>Teacher Supervisor: VINK</b></p>	<p><b>Subjects Available</b></p> <p>Science 9/10; Math 9/10 Chem 11 Math 9 - 12</p>
 <p><b>Wednesday @ lunch</b></p>	<p><b>Location: 3142</b></p> <p><b>Teacher Supervisor: TORBOHM</b></p>	<p><b>Subjects Available</b></p> <p>Math 9/10; Science 9/10 Chem 11 Physics 11 FRIMM 9 - 11</p>
 <p><b>Thursday* AFTER School</b></p>	<p><b>Location: 3127</b></p> <p><b>Teacher Supervisor: VINK</b></p>	<p><b>Subjects Available</b></p> <p>Math 9/10; Science 9/10 FRIMM Science Chem 11/Physics 11 French 9 - 11</p>

**\*After school is from 3:30 - 4:30. Students will need to be picked up or make their own way home promptly, as teacher supervisors have outside school commitments.**

**\*\*\*Students who wish to be tutored in Science and Math (English and French) subjects are welcome to attend at any time. The focus will be on offering help to those in Grade 9 and 10 with some availability for upper-level classes. Students need to be prepared and well behaved. Poor behaviour or pressuring tutors to do the work for the student may result in being asked to leave (frank conversations will happen first, of course)\*\*\***

For more information, please email Mrs. Vink:  
[svink@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:svink@sd62.bc.ca)



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# Careers Department

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**CANADIAN COAST GUARD DAYS!**

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**Venue:** Chiefs and Petty Officers Mess  
**Address:** 1575 Lyall Street in Esquimalt

**Register now at:**  
<https://forms.gle/9SjJFekFgzbBR5C6>  
Please note: Registration will close on Friday, February 28th at 5pm.

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 Madeleine Bouvier-Brown Marine Operations Lead	 Cynthia Johnston Civil Engineering Technologist/ UVic Engineering student	 Jena Wheelodon Hardware Developer

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# Wellness Centre Schedule!

## Royal Bay Wellness Centre

Clinics Hours  
January 7<sup>th</sup> to June 26<sup>th</sup> 2025

<b>Monday</b>	Discovery Counselling appointment only
<b>Tuesday</b>	Physician 9:30- 2:00
<b>Wednesday</b>	Discovery Counselling appointment only
<b>Thursdays</b>	Public Health Nurse 9:30-11:00
<b>Friday</b>	CLOSED

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