

This week in The Raven's Nest



École Royal Bay Secondary School

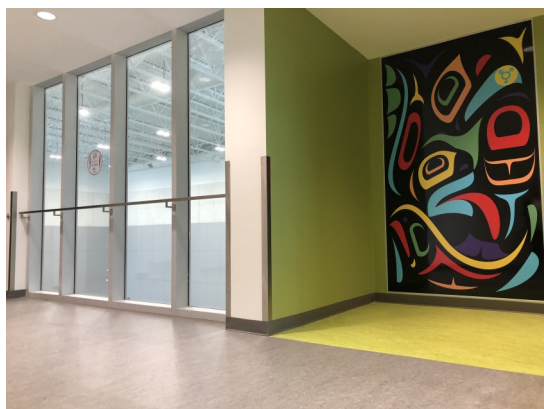
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February 24-28, 2025

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 Nuu-chah-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 – Nuu-chah-nulth

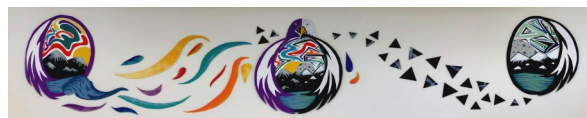


Calendar of Events for the WEEK

- Monday •
- Tuesday
- Wednesday • Pink Shirt Day
- Thursday •
- Friday •

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Important dates to Remember

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
May 19	Victoria Day—No School
May 26	NIE GRAD Ceremony @ RBSS Theatre
May 27	GRAD Rehearsals at UVic
June 4	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
June 8	GRAD Commencement Ceremony @ UVic
June 11—12	Copernican Days
June 12	FRIMM GRAD Ceremony @ RBSS Theatre
June 20	PROM at Crystal Gardens
June 24	Last Day of Classes

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ÉRBSS PAC Corner!

Meetings!

Meetings will be held the 1st 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

Dry GRAD Carnival Committee!

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

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|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| <i>Upcoming Meetings:</i> | • March 4 | • April 15 |
| | • April 1 | • April 22 |



*PAC's Peninsula Co-op number
134056*

If you are interested, please email:

rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com

February 24-28, 2025



	<u>Item</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
HOT SIDE	Hot Main	Spaghetti and Meatballs	BLT with Tomato Veg Soup	Sushi Bowl	Goulash with Dumplings
	Vegetarian	Spaghetti and Tomato Sauce	Toasted Tomato Cucumber Lettuce Sando with Soup	Sushi Bowl	Ratatouille
COLD SIDE	Wrap	Pastrami	Salami	Turkey	Steak
	Appie	Pizza Pull Apart/Deep Fried Pickles	Pizza Pull Apart/Deep Fried Pickles	Pizza Pull Apart/Deep Fried Pickles	Pizza Pull Apart/Deep Fried Pickles
BAKING	Desserts	Cheesecake/ Brownie blondies	Cheesecake/ Brownie blondies	Cheesecake/ Brownie blondies	Cheesecake/ Brownie blondies

From the ADMIN

This week we welcomed the public health nurses to provide voluntary vaccine boosters to our Grade 11 and 12 students. This is the first time we have hosted a clinic for grade 11 and 12 students, and they served over 200 students.

The Grade 12's collected approximately \$800 worth of bottles during their Friday bottle drive. Proceeds will go to help cover graduation events.

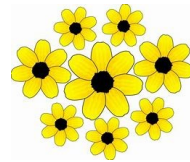
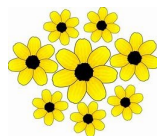
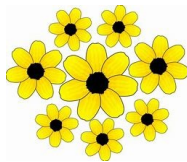
Next week we will be sending 17 ERBSS students to France on our annual cultural exchange. We look forward to hearing about their adventure.

Arts in the Community



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



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A Night Out at the Theatre

Arts in the Community

Questions? email nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca

 <p>Victoria Symphony Presents</p> <p>The Princess Bride 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>Ballet Victoria with The Victoria Choral Society Presents</p> <p>Carmina Burana</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>Pacific Opera Victoria Presents</p> <p>Rigoletto an opera sung in Italian with English subtitles</p> <p>\$15/ticket</p> <p>Mon. 21 Apr. 7:00pm The Royal Theatre</p> <p>Tickets payment option TBD</p>	 <p>VOS Musical Theatre Presents</p> <p>Legally Blonde</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>Ballet Victoria Presents</p> <p>A Midsummer Night's Dream</p> <p>\$20/ticket</p> <p>Fri. 16 May 7:30pm Sat. 17 May 2:00pm The Royal Theatre</p> <p>Tickets through Cash online available until 29 April</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

2025 GRAD Important Dates/Deadlines

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 10	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



Ravens Sr Girls Basketball

The Royal Bay Ravens senior girls’ basketball team suffered a heartbreaking defeat to Claremont, losing by just two points in a thrilling provincial qualifier matchup. The closely contested game saw both teams battle fiercely, with the Ravens showcasing resilience and determination until the final buzzer.

Royal Bay started strong, with standout performances from Sharon with 14 points and Aya with 13 on the night. Both girls played pivotal roles in keeping the Ravens in contention. Sharon dominated in the paint, scoring crucial baskets and grabbing key rebounds, while Aya’s defensive hustle and playmaking kept the Ravens in the game into the final minutes.



Rugby Practices

- Jr. Boys Tuesday and Thursday
- Sr. Boys Monday-Wednesday
- Girls Rugby Wednesday and Friday



Athlete of the Month

An overdue and apologetic congratulations to Miguel V. on being awarded Athlete of the Month for January. We accidentally did not include his photo in last week’s recognition. Miguel was a key member of both the Jr. Boys Volleyball and Basketball teams this year. His hard work, dedication, and positive attitude were noted by his coaches. Congratulations Miguel! #rollravens

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Scholarship Information!

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 for any scholarship assistance.

Scholarship Awards Currently Open!

March-

Jake Weitz Memorial Scholarship- Deadline: March 1st, 2025

SEG Scholarship- Deadline: March 1, 2025

Lionel High School Chemistry Scholarship- Deadline: March 1st, 2025

British Columbia School Trustees Association - Deadline: March 2nd, 2025

BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA)- Deadline: March 3rd, 2025

Women's Cyber Security Scholarships- Deadline: March 3rd, 2025

The Horatio Alger Scholarships- Deadline March 15th, 2025

Dr. Donald Rix Inspiring Business Excellence Scholarship- Deadline: March 15th, 2025

RE/MAX 2025 Quest for Excellence- Deadline: March 19th, 2025

VIU President's Entrance Scholarship for High School Students- Deadline: March 30th 2025 at midnight

VIU Chancellor's Entrance Scholarship for Aboriginal Students- Deadline: March 30th 2025 at midnight

The John Cunningham Program – Deadline: March 30th, 2025

Mott Electric Women in Electrical Training Fund- Deadline: March 30th, 2025

The Timber Wolf Legacy Fund- Deadline: March 30th, 2025

Leonard Foundation Scholarship- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

Freda Smith Memorial Bursary- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

BC Retired Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association Awards- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

Kochhar & Co. Chartered Professional Accountants Scholarship- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

Victoria Diocesan Catholic Women's League Bursary- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

Horatio Alger Scholarship- Deadline: March 31st, 2025

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- 2 Click "TC10K", & then "Students & Teachers on TC10K School Teams".



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in the Learning Commons
11:30am – 1:30pm
free pizza lunch provided

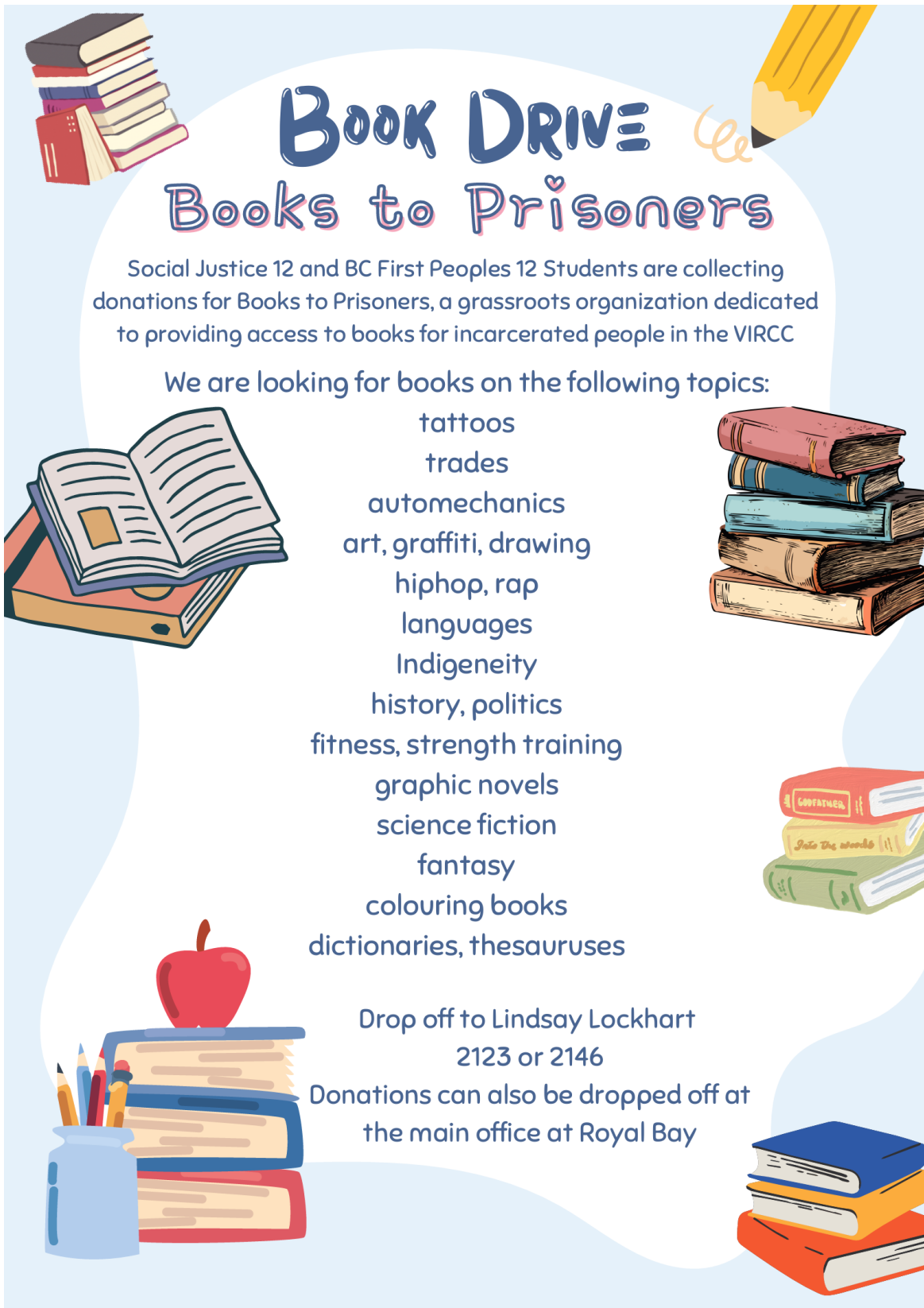
This and That!


Help 84 RBSS and EMCS students go to Greece! This online auction runs from Feb 24th to March 7th with pick up of items the week before spring break.

The banner features a blue and white striped border. At the top left is the Ravens logo, and at the top right is the Loyal Verines logo. The central text reads "RBSS/EMCS Greece Trip Fundraiser" in large blue letters. Below this is a photograph of a Greek town. To the right of the photo is the Educational Tours logo. Below the photo, it says "Online Silent Auction with:" followed by the 32auctions logo. At the bottom, the URL <https://www.32auctions.com/GREECE2026> is displayed in white text on a blue background.



The advertisement features a smartphone on the left displaying the "erase Report It" app interface with a QR code. Next to it is a cartoon character of a student wearing a headset. Text boxes describe it as "a reporting tool for students" and provide the website erase.gov.bc.ca. To the right, a bold message states: "If something feels wrong at school or online, or if you need help, you can anonymously report it to your school safety team using the erase Report It tool." The Sooke Schools 62 logo is in the bottom right corner.



BOOK DRIVE 

Books to Prisoners







Social Justice 12 and BC First Peoples 12 Students are collecting donations for Books to Prisoners, a grassroots organization dedicated to providing access to books for incarcerated people in the VIRCC

We are looking for books on the following topics:

- tattoos
- trades
- automechanics
- art, graffiti, drawing
- hiphop, rap
- languages
- Indigeneity
- history, politics
- fitness, strength training
- graphic novels
- science fiction
- fantasy
- colouring books
- dictionaries, thesauruses

Drop off to Lindsay Lockhart
2123 or 2146





Donations can also be dropped off at
the main office at Royal Bay



Science and Math Peer Tutoring Schedule

Feb24 -28






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

 <p style="margin: 0;">Monday @ LUNCH</p>	<p>Location: 3143</p> <p>Teacher Supervisor: BALDWIN</p>	<p>Subjects Available Math 9/10; Science 9/10 Precalc 10 -12 Chem 11 Physics 11 FRIMM 9 - 11</p>
 <p style="margin: 0;">Tuesday* AFTER School</p>	<p>Location: 3127 (MAY CHANGE)</p> <p>Teacher Supervisor: VINK</p>	<p>Subjects Available Science 9/10; Math 9/10</p>
 <p style="margin: 0;">Wednesday @ lunch</p>	<p>Location: 3124</p> <p>Teacher Supervisor: ANDERSEN</p>	<p>Subjects Available Math 9/10; Science 9/10 Precalc 10 -12 Chem 11 Physics 11 FRIMM 9 - 11</p>
 <p style="margin: 0;">Thursday* AFTER School</p>	<p>Location: 3127</p> <p>Teacher Supervisor: VINK</p>	<p>Subjects Available Math 9/10; Science 9/10 Chem 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

Careers Department

SAVE THE DATE

CANADIAN COAST GUARD DAYS!

JUNE 5-6 2025
25 HURON ST. VICTORIA

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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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**Future Innovators:
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Monday, April 7th 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Royal Bay Secondary School

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Join us for an inspiring evening as we explore STEM careers with our panelists followed by a mini career fair. All are welcome.

 Rasha Maal-Bared Principal Environmental Scientist	 Karin Skapski Senior Cloud Solutions Architect	 Michelle Mahovich P.Eng, P.Geo Engineering Consultant
 Madeleine Bouvier-Brown Marine Operations Lead	 Cynthia Johnston Civil Engineering Technologist/ UVic Engineering student	 Jena Wheelodon Hardware Developer

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Royal Roads University Open House – Saturday, March 1, 2025

Explore Royal Roads University’s innovative programs launching Sept. 2025

- Chat with faculty, staff, and alumni about career pathways and student life
- Experience RRU’s unique learning approach in interactive breakout sessions

Enjoy free lunch, fun activities, and a guided tour of Hatley Castle

Join us at the Royal Roads University Open House for your chance to win one of **two exclusive RRU Starter Packs** valued at \$2000 —each packed with top-tier tech, RRU swag and unforgettable experiences!

Here’s what’s inside:

- **Apple MacBook Air 15.3”** (16GB RAM) – Power up your studies with sleek performance.
- **RRU Swag** – Stay stylish with an **Oakley backpack, sweatshirt, and coffee mug.**

Experience Passes – Explore and adventure with passes to **Boulder House, WildPlay, and Malahat Skywalk.**

Plus, all prospective student attendees will receive an **exclusive code** to apply to RRU **for free!**

What’s happening at the Open House?

9 - 11:30 a.m.: Registration and Fair

Check in and explore our fair! Meet our team, discover student services, and snap a pic at the free photo booth.

10 - 10:30 a.m.: Discover RRU’s New Undergraduate Programs

Get a first look at the exciting programs launching at our Langford campus.

10:40 - 11:20 a.m.: Alumni Panel

Hear real stories from RRU grads, learn how RRU shaped their careers, and get **insider tips** to maximize your experience.

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. | Breakout Sessions – Choose Your Path!

[Applied Environmental Sciences](#) with Dr. [Mickie Noble](#)

[Social Sciences](#) with Dr. [Shelley Jones](#)

[Business & Sustainability](#) with Dr. [Robert Mittelman](#)

Parents’ Session: Learn how our student-centered approach supports success

12:45 - 2 pm: Lunch

Enjoy a complimentary meal, connect with students and faculty, and join in fun games!

2 - 3 pm: Free Castle and Garden Tours

End your day with a **free guided tour** of our breathtaking Hatley Castle and it’s surrounding gardens.

To sign up, click on the link below:

<https://www.royalroads.ca/events/open-house-undergraduate-studies-rru>

Wellness Centre Schedule!

Royal Bay Wellness Centre

Clinics Hours
January 7th to June 26th 2025

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

Call: 250-519-3580
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