

This week in The Raven's Nest



École Royal Bay Secondary School

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Summer Edition 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 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



Calendar of Events for the WEEK

Monday	• Labour Day
Tuesday	• School Starts - GR9 Only—1/2 Day
Wednesday	• School for All Grades—Full Day
Thursday	•
Friday	•
Saturday	•

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Important dates to Remember

September 1	Labour Day
September 2	School Reopens - half day grade 9 only
September 3	School for all students - full day
September 8	School Photos
September 10	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
September 16	Fire Drill #1 @ 9:20 am
September 22	District School Planning Day—no school
September 29	Kings University Visit
September 30	National Day of Truth & Reconciliation—no school
October 1	PAC meeting @ 6:30 pm
October 2	Royal Roads University Visit
October 8	Victoria University Visit
October 13	Thanksgiving—no school
October 16	Great BC Shake Out @ 10:17 am
October 14	Retakes for School Photos
October 21	Fire Drill #2 @ 2:15 pm
October 24	NID - Provincial Pro- D no school
November 5	Take your Kids to Work Day—Grade 9
November 5	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
November 7	University of Calgary Visit
November 6	Hold and Secure Drill @ 9:30 am
November 11	Remembrance Day—no school
November 18	Fire Drill # 3 @ 9:20 am
November 20	Early Dismissal 3 Hrs—Learning Conferences
November 21	NID—Pro-D—no school
November 24-28	Career Education Week (BC Wide)
December 3	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
December 18	Winter Formal
December 19	Santa Breakfast
December 19	Last Day before Winter Break
Dec 22– Jan 2	Winter Break
January 5, 2026	School Reopens

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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

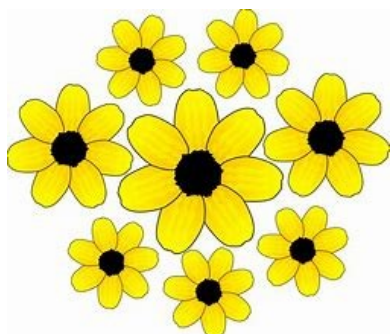
Upcoming PAC meetings for 2025-26:

Sept 10	Jan 7	May 6
Oct 1	Feb 4	June 3
Nov 5	Mar 4	
Dec 3	Apr 1	

2025-26 Executives!

President:	Sahye Guandique Cummings
Vice President:	Mary-Anne Showers
Treasurer:	Melissa Da Silva
Secretary:	Tara Campbell
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*PAC's Peninsula Co-op number
134056*

June 23-27, 2025



RBSS September Start Up!



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Welcome/Bienvenue to École Royal Bay Secondary

Dear Royal Bay Families,

Welcome 2025-26 Ravens!

The school year begins on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, for all grade 9's (9:00 am -12:25 pm) and for all grades 9-12 on Wednesday, September 3, 2025 (all students full day). The information included in this package will assist you and your family in preparing for the 2025/26 school year. Remember to check our [École Royal Bay Secondary School](#) Website regularly for more information and updates. We will also send out more information during the last week of August through our RBSS App RBSS APP, and the August issue of the Raven's Nest.

Student Course Schedule:

Grade 9's – Students will receive their schedules on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, in their period A classes. We also strongly encourage our in-coming grade 9's to access their schedules Monday after 6pm on September 1 before arriving at school on September 2, 2025.

Grade 10-12's – Grade 10-12 students will be able to access their schedule via the student/family portal on Monday, August 25, 2025. Please also double check schedules again on Tuesday, September 2nd after 6 pm. A reminder, the MyEd instructions can be found on our web page [RBSS Family Portal Instructions](#). Counsellors will be available on August 27 & 28, 2025 (9:30 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 3 pm) to meet with only grade 12s for the following reasons:

- Incomplete schedule (less than 8 courses)
- Grad credit concerns

Counsellors will also meet with students in grades 10 & 11 who have incomplete schedules (less than 8 courses). All other questions will be addressed after school starts. A reminder, we do not accommodate "teacher shopping" for students who want a certain teacher or to be in a class with their friends. New registrations who are in catchment will be contacted by their alpha VP, Counsellor or a clerical staff member regarding course selection or incomplete registration information.

Opening Week:

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 – Opening Day (Grade 9's only)

French Immersion and English Stream Inclusive – BLOCK ORDER ABCD

Morning Schedule (9:00 am – 12:25 pm)



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- 9:00-9:15 Students will gather in the Aviary and find their names on Block A class lists which will be posted in the Aviary. Staff will be there to help students find their Block A teacher.
- 9:15-9:45 Grade 9 Student Assembly in the large gym. - Teacher Guided Entrance and Exit for all grade 9's
- 9:50 – 10:00 – Grade 9 students will locate their teachers (teachers will be at marked areas around the gym – explained assembly). Block A Teachers will walk the students out of the gym to their classrooms.
- 10:00 – 10:20 Block A
- 10:25 – 10:45 Block B
- 10:50 – 11:10 Block C
- 11:15 – 11:35 Block D
- 11:40 – 12:25 Scavenger Hunt
- 12:25 Dismissal Bell
- 12:35 Buses will start picking up students signed up for Bus Services

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Regular School Day (all students full day)

Block order ABCD (regular bell schedule)

School begins at 9:00 am, lunch from 11:50 am – 12:30 pm, school ends at 3:20 pm

Thursday, September 4, 2025

Block order BADC

School begins at 9:00 am, lunch from 11:50 am – 12:30 pm, school ends at 3:20 pm

Friday, September 5, 2025

Block order ABCD

School begins at 9:00 am, lunch from 11:22 am – 12:00 pm, school ends at 2:23 pm

Transport

Students who have registered with transportation should have received an email outlining their route, bus number and estimated times by the end of July. If you believe the information is incorrect or you did not receive the information, please contact the School District Transportation Department at bussing@sd62.bc.ca.



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Lockers

Lockers will be made available via an app starting in September. Detailed instructions will be provided once students are in session.

Code of Conduct

The Sooke School District Secondary School Code of Conduct can be found here [Code of Conduct | Royal Bay](#). Please review this with your child. Please note that smoking and vaping are not permitted anywhere on school district property and students are also expected to respect bylaws and neighbours.

Resolving Concerns

Guidelines for resolving concerns can be found on the school district website [Royal Bay | Secondary School – École Secondaire](#). As a general guideline, communication should remain as close to the 'source' as possible. For example, if the topic pertains to something within the classroom, speak to the classroom teacher.

Please note that we require parents to pre-arrange phone or in person appointments with staff. Teachers, Counsellors and Vice Principals have busy schedules, and we want to make sure they can set aside the time needed to meet with you.

Important Dates for September 2025 School Start-Up

- August 27 & 28 – RBSS open for Counselling appointments for Grade 12 course changes only
- Counselling Team is unable to meeting with students on August 29, 2025.
- September 1 – Labour Day (no school)
- September 2 – First day of school – ½ day for all Grades 9's ONLY (9:00 to 12:25 pm)
- September 3 – Full day – All Grades 9 - 12
- September 8 – Picture Day (retakes TBD)
- September 16 – Fire Drill #1 @ 9:20 am
- September 22 – Indigenous Learning Day (School not in session)
- September 30 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Have a wonderful and safe summer. We are looking forward to welcoming back our wonderful students in September!

Mike Huck
Principal, École Royal Bay Secondary School
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Textbooks, Library Books & Chromebooks!

Please help us get our **textbooks, library books and chromebooks** back! While most have been returned to the school, there is still a substantial amount of school resources at students' homes and unaccounted for. We count on having these back so that we can support next year's students with appropriate texts and technology. It is prohibitively costly to the school to have to replace these items.

As a parent of 15 - 17 year old teenagers, I know that things tend to get lost under piles of stuff... Please take a moment to look around and see if you can find any of the school's resources lying about your students room.

Students who have texts or tech outstanding in September will not be able to access some school resources until these items are returned or accounted for.

We will have a drop off box located at the front of the school starting **Monday, June 30** from 7:30 am until 2:45 pm.

Thanks so much for your cooperation,

Mike Huck

Principal, École Royal Bay Secondary School



New Registrations over the Summer!

(After June 27, 2025)

As we get set to close down the school for the summer break, please know that we will not be processing new registrations over the summer.

Our staff are not in the building and are off on summer break. Our Clerical, Counsellor and Administration teams will be returning to the building August 25, 2025. Any new registrations being submitted for École Royal Bay Secondary School after June 27, 2025 will be addressed as soon as we return to the building in late August.

Have a great summer.

ÉRBSS Admin Team

GRAD 2026 PINNIES

You can now purchase your Pinnie on-line in 3 easy steps:

1. Scan the QR code below or go online to
<https://royalbaygrad2025.itemorder.com/>
2. Choose your item/size and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card

Online Store Deadline: Friday July 11th, 2025 (11:59pm PDT)

Questions?

Go see
Burgess

Sizing
Samples in
Rm 2115



Pinnies will
be available
at RBSS last
week of
August



Scholarship Awards Currently Open!

June-

Western Inspirational Bursary Award - Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Royal Canadian Legion Prince Edward Branch 91 Bursary - Deadline: June 30th, 2024

Association of School Transportation Services of British Columbia Commercial Heavy-Duty Mechanic Scholarship - Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Team West Coast Triathlon Society Annual Scholarship - Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Engineers and Geoscientists BC Scholarships - Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Alpha Chi Theta Orchid Bursary - Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Summer-

Canadian Mental Health Association of BC – Scholarships and Bursaries Program - Deadline: July 9th, 2025

CUPE BC AUBREY BURTON/REG FORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Deadline: July 1st, 2025

Reflections Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Bill Freding Memorial Entrance Award - Agriculture Award - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Cariboo Chevrolet Buick GMC Award - Agriculture Award - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Reflections Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Brian Fudge Memorial Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

The Looking Glass Foundation Scholarships - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Scholarship for Students of Colour - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Tommy Douglas Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

NUPGE Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

LGBTQ2S Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Young Worker Scholarship - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Scholarship for Indigenous Students - Deadline: July 15th, 2025

Terry Fox Memorial Scholarship (NUPGE) - Deadline: July 15th, 2025



Wellness Centre Schedule!

Belmont Wellness Centre
July & August 2025
Appointment & Drop-in Welcome
250-519-3580

Monday	Nurse Practitioner 9:00-3:00	Public Health Nurse 9:00-10:30
Tuesday	Nurse Practitioner 9:00-3:00	Public Health Nurse 1:30-3:00
Wednesday	CLOSED	CLOSED
Thursday	No appointments	No appointments
Friday	Nurse Practitioner 9:00-3:00	Public Health Nurse 9:00-10:30

Youth Services provided through 25 years of age

Physician & Nurse Practitioner Services:

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

Public Health Nurse Services:

- ✓ Birth Control
- ✓ STI testing & treatment (all ages)
- ✓ Sexual decision making & relationships.
- ✓ Pregnancy testing & options
- ✓ Healthy lifestyle

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June 23 2025

