

This week in The Raven's Nest



École Royal Bay Secondary School

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September 8-12, 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



Student Emergency Release Form

Students were given a salmon color student emergency release form to bring home. Please take a few minutes to fill this form out and return it to the school as soon as possible. This form is NOT used to update contact information. Students can hand the completed form to their Block A teacher.

Calendar of Events for the WEEK

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| Monday | • Photo Day |
| Tuesday | • |
| Wednesday | • PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm |
| Thursday | • |
| Friday | • |
| Saturday | • |

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Important dates to Remember

September 8	Photo Day
September 10	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
September 16	Grade 10 Assembly—Group 1
September 17	Grade 10 Assembly—Group 2
September 18	Grade 11 Assembly—Group 1
September 22	District School Planning Day—no school
September 23	Grade 11 Assembly—Group 3
September 24	Grade 12 Assembly—Group 1
September 25	Grade 12 Assembly—Group 2
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 14	Retakes for School Photos
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 11	Remembrance Day—no school
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
February 13, 2026	NID - Provincial Pro- D no school
February 16, 2026	Family Day—No School
March 13, 2026	Last Day before Spring Break
March 16—27, 2026	Spring Break—No School

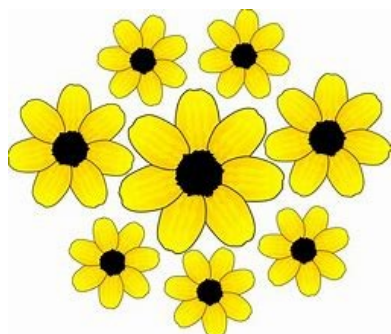
ÉRBSS PAC Corner!

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	To be Elected
Treasurer	Melissa Da Silva
Secretary	To be Elected
SEPEAC Rep	To be Elected
Communications	Sahye Guandique Cummings

PAC email: royalbaypac@gmail.com



*PAC's Peninsula Co-op number
134056*

September 8—12, 2025



From the ADMIN

Dear Royal Bay Students, Families, and Caregivers,

Thank you for everything you have done this week to get us all off to a strong start to the school year! September is always a month of excitement - for students and staff alike.

We were all very impressed that the majority of our students were prepared on their first day with their schedules, and that they were able to adapt quickly and book online appointments with their Counsellors, if needed.

During the month of September, we will be having grade level assemblies to introduce students to our new administrative team and to all of the supports available at Royal Bay to help this year be a successful one for them. Staff will also be focusing on building relationships and community, and we will also be setting out academic and behaviour expectations.

Included in The Raven's Nest is some key information and reminders. For this year, we will be sending out The Raven's Nest every other week - our next edition will come out on Friday, September 19th.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Your Team at École Royal Bay Secondary School

Parking

With the addition of more portables over the summer and an increase in our student population, parking is more limited than in previous years. The front parking lots are for staff and visitors only, and the back lot is open for students, staff, and members of the community. We strongly encourage students to walk, ride, or take the bus to school, and ask that drop offs take place away from the school, or as quickly and safely as possible at the drop off zone (marked by red paint in front of the school).

Being Good Neighbours

It is very important to us that our Ravens maintain a reputation in the community for being kind and considerate, and we ask that students use main roads and paths and do not trespass on private property. We are also including information at the September assemblies about maintaining positive relationships with our neighbouring businesses.

Lockers

Students register for lockers at the beginning of each school year.

Locker Registration Opens:

Grade 9s: 8 AM on Friday September 12, 2025

Grade 10 – 12s: 8 AM on Monday, September 15, 2025



Access Links can be found on the Ravens App or on the ERBSS Website

GRAD Corner 2025-26!

GRAD 2026 CLOTHING

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

1. Scan the QR code on the right or go online to
<https://royalbaysecondary.itemorder.com/>
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card



Online Store Deadline: Sept 24th. at 11:59 PM (11:59pm PDT)

Sizing
Samples in
Rm 2115
Questions?
Go see
Burgess



Clothing
will be
devivered
end of
October

Careers Department

Calling All Technology & Engineering Enthusiasts...

TEAC 105 - EXPLORATIONS IN TECHNOLOGY



EXPLORES FOUR TECHNOLOGIES THROUGH INQUIRY, PROBLEM SOLVING & PROJECT-BASED LEARNING!

Civil Engineering Electronics Mechanical Engineering Computer Science

WHAT WOULD YOU LEARN?

Civil Eng.	Identify various civil engineering projects and the role that civil engineering plays in each. Apply civil engineering methods and calculations to a simple design and civil engineering project
Mechanical Eng.	Demonstrate simple 3D CAD modeling skills, basic shop skills and safety techniques, and identify the design elements associated with the completion of a small mechanical engineering project
Electronics	Create a simple electronics circuit, describe simple micro-controller programming concepts, and list the elements of and build a small electronics project
Computer Sci.	Use a programming language to examine the fundamentals of software design and development



Course Details

Structure: 3 hours per week, for 12 weeks
 Fall Session (Sept 19 to Dec 12, 2025)
Start Dates: Winter Session (Jan 30 to May 15, 2026)
Time: Fridays: 3:00 – 5:50pm
Delivery: On Campus, Face to Face Classes
Cost: Students are responsible for paying the registration (EPBC) fee –\$47
Eligibility: Open to students in Gr 11–12 from our partnership school districts
Prerequisites: None



To apply or receive more information, see your high school careers team!



NOW RECRUITING!

POLICE CAMP 2026

This is an eight-day leadership program for Grades 10, 11 and 12.

- Leadership, teamwork and resilience
- Police training and simulations
- Unique experiences
- New friends and perspectives
- Social responsibility and life skills

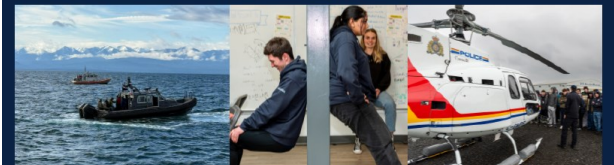


Overnight camp March 14 – 21, 2026 at St. Margaret's School.

No fees to attend.

Application deadline is November 14, 2025.

Discuss with your school counsellor today.



DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN GET SCHOOL CREDITS FOR PAID OR VOLUNTEER WORK

100 HOURS OF PAID OR VOLUNTEER WORK

WORK EXPERIENCE 12A AND 12B (4 CREDITS EACH)

ELIGIBLE STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED GRADE 10

STUDENTS MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE LOGGING HOURS

SEE YOUR SCHOOL CAREER COMMONS TO SIGN UP

Scan to show expression of interest.



Work Experience 12A & 12B are Ministry recognized electives.

a reporting tool for students

erase.gov.bc.ca

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.



Wellness Centre Schedule!

Royal Bay Wellness Centre

Appointments call: 250-519-3580

Sept to Dec 2025

Monday	Discovery Counselling
Tuesday	Physician 9:30 to 2:00pm (start Sept 23)
Wednesday	Discovery Counselling
Thursdays	Public Health Nurse 9:30-11:00am
Friday	CLOSED

Clients provided through 25 years of age

Physician Service:

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

Public Health Nurse Service:

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

'Excellent care-for everyone, everywhere, every time'

Sept 2025

