

# The Raven's Nest



## École Royal Bay Secondary School

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## March 2-13, 2026

With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that we live, learn, and work on the traditional territories of the SĆIĀNEW Nation and the Lək̓ʷəŋən peoples of Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, specifically the Teechamista village site. We also recognize that our district's schools also sit on the traditional territories of the T'Sou-ke Nation and the Nuu-chah-nulth: Paaʔčiidʔaṭh (Pacheedaht) Nation, and that some are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEXEĒ (Malahat) Nation.



### Outstanding Fees:

Please check your school Cash  
Online account

pay your outstanding  
school fees

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# From the ADMIN

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Dear Students, Families, and Caregivers,

It is hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of February. Despite some challenging moments over the past month, we have been heartened to see our school community come together with care and kindness.

February was filled with wonderful events at Royal Bay, and we are grateful for the engagement and support of our entire community. Throughout the month, students and staff recognized and learned about Black Excellence and Black History. We also enjoyed Valentine's Day activities, including Lyric Trivia and Candy Grams, and ended the month with a vibrant Lunar New Year celebration.

Congratulations to Ms. Ruff's class, winners of the Lyric Trivia competition, who celebrated with a delicious box of cupcakes from Royal Bay Bakery. Our Leadership students did a wonderful job preparing Candy Grams, delivering them across the school and spreading smiles. During the Lunar New Year celebration, students enjoyed delicious food, tried their hand at calligraphy, and participated in a variety of games. It is inspiring to see our students working together in so many ways to bring us together.

As we look ahead to March, many of us are excited for the upcoming Spring Break. A reminder that the last day of classes before the break is Friday, March 13th. We encourage students to stay focused and up to date with their coursework so they can fully enjoy a well-deserved and relaxing holiday.

We hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Warm wishes,  
ÉRBSS Admin Team



# ÉRBSS PAC Corner

Meetings will be held on the  
**1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm**  
in the Learning Commons. All parents are welcome!

## Upcoming PAC meetings for 2025-26:

### 2026:

		Mar 4
Apr 1	May 6	June 3

### 2025-26 PAC Executives!

**President:** Sahye Guandique Cummings

**Vice President:** Kristen Manieri

**Treasurer:** Melissa Da Silva

**Secretary:** Tara Campbell

### UPCOMING:

March 6, 2026 Bake Sale Fundraiser for Grade 12 Bursaries

March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Dry Grad Consent forms

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

**Supporting a Cause Never Tasted So Good!**

Buy your favourite chocolates to support **RBSS Italy 2027 Spring Break**

**Purdys**  
CHOCOLATIER

Go to [fundraising.purdys.com](https://fundraising.purdys.com) or Scan QR

Enter campaign ID **000025598** to shop & support.

Place your order by **March 11th 2026**

Contact **Mme Jovelle Brick** at [jbrick@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:jbrick@sd62.bc.ca) for more details.

CANADA'S CHOCOLATIER SINCE 1907





PAC's Peninsula Co-op number  
134056

## Dry GRAD Carnival—Volunteers Needed!

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 **SAVE THE DATE: Dry Grad Carnival May 23, 2026** 

Help Make Dry Grad Amazing!

We're planning this year's Dry Grad carnival and welcome parents from **any grade** to join us! Whether it's planning, setting up, running a booth, or cleanup, your help makes a big impact. Interested? Come to our first meeting, we'd love to have you!

Meetings will be held at the **Leaning Commons at 7pm** on:

**March 10, 2026**

May 5, 2026

April 7

April 21, 2026

Hope to see you there!

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  Support Needed for the Dry Grad Carnival – Class of 2026!  

From the Dry Grad Committee

### **Consent Forms – Important Date**

Consent forms for the Dry Grad Carnival will be **distributed to all Grade 12 students on March 9.**

Please return completed forms as soon as possible so we can finalize planning and attendance.

### **How You Can Help**

#### **Donate unused Gift Cards**

Suitable for Grade 12 students (any amount appreciated!)

Place in an envelope with your name and contact information. Drop it in the Dry Grad box at the school office



#### **Cash Donations**

E-transfer to: [royalbaypac@gmail.com](mailto:royalbaypac@gmail.com) Include the message: “Dry Grad Carnival”

#### **Business & Community Support**

We are also looking for businesses or organizations willing to donate prizes, gift cards, or financial support.

 If you know of a company that may be interested in contributing, please reach out!

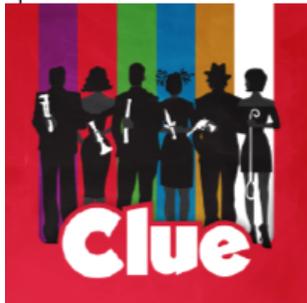
Contact: [rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com)

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# Arts in the Community

Questions? email [nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca)

Broadway Across Canada - VANCOUVER



Sat. 1 Aug. 2pm  
\$60/ticket - balcony)

Queen Elizabeth Theatre  
Hamilton St., Vancouver  
Tickets:

School cash online  
Avail until 30 April

Students must arrive with an adult. Adult and students are responsible for their own transportation. Please email for any additional information.

Dance Victoria & GALLIM



from NEW YORK  
contemporary dance

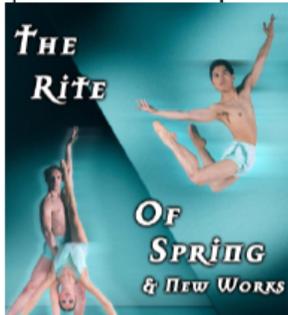
12-29 Pay Your Age Tickets  
(plus fees)

Other ticket prices available  
6 and 7 March

7:30pm



Ballet Victoria presents



**The Rite of Spring  
and other New Works**

\$20/ticket

Fri. 20 Mar. 7:30pm  
Sun. 22 Mar. 2:00pm

The Royal Theatre  
Avail. until 6 March

Tickets school cash online: available for students, families, and friends. If your ticket needs exceed the limit, please contact the school to adjust the limit.

VOS Musical Theatre



Joseph...

\$25/ticket

Thurs. 30 April 7:30pm

McPherson Playhouse

Tickets through School Cash online  
avail. Until 2 April.  
Open to all students and parent chaperones.

**Orpheus and Eurydice**



**Pacific Opera Victoria  
Composer: C. Gluck**

opera sung in French  
with English surtitles  
\$15/ticket

Mon. 20 April. 7:00pm  
The Royal Theatre

Tickets through Cash online available until 8 Aprt.

Open to all students 14-19 years old and parent chaperones.

**Coming Up:**

March 14 - Walk Right Back Royal Theatre \$65. No discount. Purchase through the RMTS box office.

April: NEWSIES - CCPA

May: Alice in Wonderland - Ballet Victoria

Boca Tuyo - Dance Victoria

**NEW: Join us on the  
Google Classroom  
Code: tr5iigh**



# 2026 GRAD Important Dates/Deadlines

DATES	ITEM
Jan 21 - Feb 1, 2026	GRAD Photos
February 6, 2026	GRAD Ski Trip to Mt. Washington
February 12-13, 2026	GRAD Photo Retakes
February 9, 2026	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Form Handed Out
February 19, 2026	GRAD Photo for Yearbook and Composite Only
February 20, 2026	GRAD Comment & Ceremony Fee Due no later than this date
February 20, 2026	Valedictorian Nominations Packages Due by Noon
February 24, 2026	Short List Announced for Valedictorian
March 4, 2026	Submit Valedictorian Videos Due by Noon
March 6, 2026	GRAD Bowling @ Langford Lanes
March 9, 2026	Dry Grad Carnival Form Handed Out
March 12, 2026	Online Voting for Valedictorian
March 13, 2026	Valedictorian Announced
March 30, 2026	PROM Consent Form Handed Out
April 23, 2026	Dry Grad Carnival Form and Payment Due no later than this date
May 23, 2025	Dry GRAD Carnival
May 25, 2026	PROM Consent Form & Payment Due no later than this date
May 26, 2026	GRAD Rehearsals @UVic
June 7, 2026	GRAD Ceremony @UVic 11 & 3 pm
June 11, 2026	FRIMM GRAD Celebration @ Royal Bay
June 19, 2026	PROM @Crystal Gardens



**GRAD 2026**  
**Bowling**  
**NIGHT**  
**@ LANGFORD LANES**  
**DATE: MARCH 6TH**  
**ITINERARY**  
**5:15PM – MEET AT RBSS**  
**5:30PM – LEAVE RBSS**  
**5:45PM – ARRIVE LANGFORD LANES**  
**6:00–8:00PM – BOWLING**  
**8:15PM – LOAD BUSES**  
**8:30PM – ARRIVE BACK AT RBSS**

# Summer Learning



**SOOKE  
SCHOOLS 62**  
Shaping Tomorrow Today

## **SD62 Gr. 9-12 Full Credit Summer Learning July 6 - Aug 6, 2026 Monday - Friday at Belmont Secondary School**

### **Registration free of charge for:**

- SD62 students entering grade 10-12 in Sept 2026
- current & recent grade 12 students who live within SD62
- recently graduated students (Math/Science/English only)

**ISP Students - contact ISP office for fee information**

### **Benefits of Summer Learning:**

- creates flexibility in your Sept-June schedule allowing more room for electives
- supports possible early graduation
- allows for focused learning in 1 or 2 subjects
- opportunity to improve course mark or GPA
- fewer people in the building creates a 'small school' environment that many students enjoy

## **CLASS SCHEDULE \***

### **MORNING: 9AM - 11:30AM**

SCIENCE 10  
SOCIAL STUDIES 10  
WORKPLACE MATH 10  
PRE-CALCULUS MATH 11  
WORKPLACE MATH 11  
FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 12  
SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 (SS)

### **AFTERNOON: 12PM - 2:30PM**

ENGLISH 10  
FOUNDATIONS & PRE-CALCULUS 10  
FIRST PEOPLES ENGLISH 11  
LIFE SCIENCES 11  
PHYSICS 11  
BC FIRST PEOPLES 12 (SS)  
PRE-CALCULUS MATH 12

**\*All classes are offered subject to enrolment. Classes with insufficient enrolment will be cancelled and students will be offered the chance to select an alternate course.**

### **REGISTRATION LINK**

**Register Online: <https://sd62online.web.sd62.bc.ca>**

**phone: 250-391-9002      email: [online@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:online@sd62.bc.ca)**



# Careers Department

The Construction TASK cohort at RBSS has several 8 x 8 sheds for sale!

**\$2750.00 +GST**

INCLUDES DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION TO AN EASY ACCESS AND LEVEL LOCATION



For information please email  
Connor O'Neill  
[coneill@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:coneill@sd62.bc.ca)

*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  
**Start Dates:** Fall Session (Sept 19 to Dec 12, 2025)  
 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!



## Calling All Young Changemakers

ARE YOU UNDER 19 AND WORKING ON PROJECTS TO REDUCE HARM FROM SUBSTANCE USE?

Your work could be recognized with Island Health's *Youth Harm Reduction Award* and \$1,000 in prize money! This award celebrates youth who educate others, reduce stigma, share knowledge and help save lives.

📅 APPLICATIONS OPEN MARCH 1, 2026



LEARN MORE:  
[islandhealth.ca/yhra](http://islandhealth.ca/yhra)



**RB 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.

# Careers Department



**SD62 CAREER EDUCATION**  
Employment | Post-Secondary | Skilled Trades

**SKILLED TRADES BC**

**CAMOSUN** **SOUTH ISLAND**

## YOUTH EXPLORE THE TRADES SAMPLER (TASK)

The TASK program introduces students to a range of construction and mechanical trades through hands-on learning in construction, automotive, and metal trades. A key component of TASK is Work Experience, where students develop employability skills that may lead to paid employment and/or an apprenticeship.

**TRY DIFFERENT TRADES. BUILD REAL-WORLD SKILLS.**

- Full-time, semester-long program
- Earn up to 24 credits towards graduation
- Includes entry level industry certifications

**Belmont - Automotive TASK**  
**Royal Bay - Construction TASK**  
**Edward Milne - Metal TASK**

Visit Our Website: 

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



**FMF** FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY  
**IMF** INSTALLATION OF MAINTENANCE DE LA FLOTTE  
**CAPE BRETON**  
Esquimalt, BC

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

APPLY TO THE FEDERAL STUDENT WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (FSWEP) AT FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY CAPE BRETON

**COME JOIN OUR FAMILY!**

*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 2 - August 26, 2026**
- Unique Trades work on Royal Canadian Navy (RCN)
- Potential for future apprenticeship opportunities

**AVAILABLE TRADES\***

- Metal Fabrication
- Welder
- Shipwright
- Joiner
- Painter
- Pipefitter
- Lagger/Insulator
- Machinist
- Millwright
- Sheet Metal
- Rigger
- Refrigeration
- Electrician

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

**Application Deadline**  
April 6, 2026

**WE SERVE THE FLEET**  
Please see your Career Counsellor for an application. Once complete, please return to your counsellor for submission or email it on your own to [esqtmfapprentices.gc.ca](mailto:esqtmfapprentices.gc.ca)

Canada  Nation  Province  City



Member of JA Canada



Explore a variety of Trades & Technology areas through fun, hands-on activities.

Career areas explored

- Carpentry
- Electrical Pipe
- Trades Sheet
- Metal
- Electronics
- Automotive
- Fine Furniture
- Culinary

**Thursday May 28th**  
**9:30 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**Camosun College, Interurban Campus**  
**4461 Interurban Rd, Victoria**

Thank you to our program supporters!

Provincial Partner



National Community Partner



National Supporting Partners



Sign up with your school career team!



# Costumes Needed



Do you have any old, gently used costumes laying around taking up space? We could use them in the Languages Department to help us get into character and make our presentations fantastique/fantástico. Drop off at the office.

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Merci et gracias!

# This & That

## HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU SPEND THINKING ABOUT THE ROMAN EMPIRE?

**PLOT TWIST!**

**You could be standing in it! See Mme. Brick in 3136 for details.**



*Rome, Palermo, Taormina region, Salerno, Florence – 14 Days*

## WANT TO BE VERY POPULAR?

Get the **Great Little Coupon Book for \$15** and prepare for a suspicious number of friends at lunch. Use it once and the book pays for a year of **2-for-1 deals** at local businesses such as :

- **Quality Foods**
- **900°**
- **Wildplay**
- **Noodlebox**
- **Dairy Queen**
- **Flying Squirrel**
- **MOD Pizza**
- **McDonalds**
- **Victoria Grizzlies**

It's basically **FREE MONEY.**

Your math teacher approves!

All proceeds go towards the Italy 2027 Trip

See [Mme. Brick](#) in room 3136



## Science and Math Peer Tutoring Schedule

Below are the peer tutoring locations and times for the REST of the YEAR.

Peer tutoring will focus on help with Math and Science classes. Grade 12 class help may be limited due to students taking those course themselves. FRIMM Math and Science help may also be available.

If no peer tutors are available; sessions will be cancelled

**Monday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Tuesday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Wednesday**

**LUNCH**

In room 3143 (thats the last classroom at the end of the hall in the new wing by the turf gym window)

**Thursday**

**3:30 - 4:30**

Room 3127 (last room by the hot green stairwell, with the pillar with stickers on it).

\*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)



# Wellness Centre Schedule

## Royal Bay Wellness Centre

Appointments call: 250-519-3580  
or drop-in

January to June 2026

|                                                               |                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>                                                 | Discovery Counselling                   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>                                                | Physician<br>9:30 to 2:00pm             |
| <b>Wednesday</b>                                              | Discovery Counselling                   |
| <b>Thursdays</b><br>(2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> weeks) | Public Health Nurse<br>9:00-12:00pm     |
| <b>Friday</b>                                                 | Immunization Clinic<br>January to March |

Closed for Spring Break

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 12 2025





# Important dates to Remember

|                   |                                    |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| March 5, 2026     | ERBSS Music Performance @7 PM      |
| March 6, 2026     | PAC Bake Sale (10-1 PM)            |
| March 10, 2026    | PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM         |
| March 13, 2026    | Last Day before Spring Break       |
| March 16—27, 2026 | Spring Break—No School             |
| March 30, 2026    | School Reopens                     |
| April 3, 2026     | Good Friday                        |
| April 6, 2026     | Easter Monday                      |
| April 17, 2026    | Early Dismissal/Parent Conferences |
| April 17, 2026    | Term 3 Ends                        |
| April 20, 2026    | Term 4 Begins                      |
| April 20, 2026    | Non Instructional Day—No School    |
| April 20—24, 2026 | GRAD Assessments                   |
| April 24, 2026    | Report Cards Published             |
| April 7, 2026     | PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM         |
| April 21, 2026    | PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM         |
| May 5, 2026       | PAC Dry GRAD Meeting @7 PM         |
| May 5—9, 2026     | ERBSS Musical Theatre Shows @7 PM  |
| May 11, 2026      | Non Instruction Day—No School      |
| May 18, 2026      | Victoria Day—No School             |
| May 23, 2026      | GRAD Carnival                      |
| May 29, 2026      | PAC Bake Sale (10-1 PM)            |
| May 29, 2026      | ERBSS Music Performance @7 PM      |
| May 29, 2026      | School Art Show @7 PM              |
| June 3, 2026      | Athletic Banquet                   |
| June 4, 2026      | ERBSS Music Performance @6:30 PM   |
| June 9-10, 2026   | Dance Academy Year End Shows       |
| June 8-12, 2026   | GRAD Assessments                   |
| June 24, 2026     | Course Completion Day              |
| June 25, 2026     | Course Completion Day              |
| June 25, 2026     | Last Day of School                 |
| June 25, 2026     | Semester 2/Term 4 Ends             |
| June 25, 2026     | Report Cards Published             |