

The Raven's Nest



École Royal Bay Secondary School

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Summer Edition 2026

With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that we live, learn, and work on the traditional territories of the SCÍX̱NEW 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: Paaʔčiidʔath̓ (Pacheedaht) Nation, and that some are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEX̱E̱ (Malahat) Nation.



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From the ADMIN

As we wrap up another incredible year at École Royal Bay Secondary, June brings with it many meaningful moments of celebration and reflection. We are proud to recognize our graduating class as they mark the culmination of their hard work and achievements—congratulations to all of our Graduates!

This month also provides important opportunities to honor and celebrate National Indigenous History Month and Pride Month. These observances remind us of the value of learning, respect, inclusion, and community, which are at the heart of who we are as a school. Thank you to our student drumming club and student GSA group who shared their gifts with us this month.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our students, staff, and families for contributing to a successful and memorable school year. Your commitment, resilience, and spirit have made our school a wonderful place to learn and grow.

We wish everyone a safe, restful, and joyful summer and look forward to welcoming you back in September!

Key information

- * June 22 and 23 - Yearbook pick up in the Learning Commons
- * June 23 - Last day of classes
- * June 24 and 25 - Completion/Extension days, attendance by arrangement with classroom Teacher
- * June 25 - Report cards published

Summer:

Office staff do not process new registrations over the summer. Our Clerical, Counsellor and Administration teams will be returning to the building August 31, 2026. Counsellors will see Grade 12s, by appointment only, from Sept 1-3.

September 8 - First day for Grade 9s only, morning only

September 9 - First day for Grade 10-12s, all day



Locker Clean Out



As we transition into our June 2026 shutdown, we have to ensure all lockers are emptied and personal items are taken home by students.

On **Thursday 18th** and **Friday 19th of June**, students will be permitted time at the end of the school day to empty their lockers of school resources for return to the Learning Commons and personal items to be transported home.

The following week, locks will be removed and any contents remaining in lockers will be emptied in order to begin the summer locker cleaning process and subsequent re-assignment procedures for September.

Any personal items left in school lockers after **Wednesday June 24th** will be donated to a local charity.

Please ensure lockers are emptied as Royal Bay will not be responsible for items left for donation.

With thanks for your support and attention,

Your Royal Bay Team

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!



New Registrations over the Summer!

(After June 26, 2026)

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 31, 2026. Any new registrations being submitted for École Royal Bay Secondary School after June 26, 2026 will be addressed as soon as we return to the building in late August.

Have a great summer.

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!

PAC email: royalbaypac@gmail.com



PAC's Peninsula Co-op number
134056

Upcoming PAC Meetings for 2026-27

Sept 15*	Feb 3
Oct 7	March 3
Nov 4	April 7
Dec 2	May 5
Jan 13*	June 2

*Moved to 2nd week due to first day back from summer/winter break

2026-2027 PAC Executives!

President: Sahye Guandique Cummings

Vice President: Kristen Manieri

Treasurer: Melissa Da Silva

Secretary: Tara Campbell

SPEAC Rep: Allison Hyatt

A Heart felt Thank You to Our Community

As we wrap up another wonderful year, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude to our school administration and to every parent and guardian who supported the PAC in any way, whether by attending events, volunteering your time, sharing ideas, or offering encouragement.

Your involvement, no matter how big or small, makes a meaningful difference. The programs, events, and opportunities we are able to provide for our students simply would not be possible without the continued support of our parent community.

We are incredibly thankful for your partnership, your generosity, and your commitment to making our school such a positive and vibrant place for all.

PAC email: royalbaypac@gmail.com

Dry Grad Carnival 2026

Thank You for Making Dry Grad So Special!

To Our Incredible Volunteers,

We are filled with gratitude as we reflect on what an amazing success this year's Dry Grad Celebration was and it's all thanks to you.

Your generosity, time, and dedication truly made the night unforgettable. From setting up behind the scenes, to supervising activities, to helping with cleanup and everything in between, you stepped in wherever needed and made it all come together seamlessly.

Because of your efforts, our graduates enjoyed a safe, fun, and memorable celebration, one they will carry with them for years to come.

Thank you once again, 2026 Dry Grad Executive Committee.

Email: rbparentgradcommittee@gmail.com



PIPE TRADES ACADEMY

HANDS-ON. REAL SKILLS.
REAL OPPORTUNITIES.

Explore the pipe trades in a safe, hands-on learning environment. This 4-day program introduces essential tools, techniques, and safety practices used in the plumbing and pipefitting industry.



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PROGRAM
DATES

JUNE 29, 30 & JULY 2, 3, 2026
(CLOSED WEDNESDAY, JULY 1 FOR CANADA DAY)



TIME
8:45 AM – 2:30 PM
DAILY



LUNCH
LUNCH WILL BE
PROVIDED EACH DAY
(30-MINUTE LUNCH BREAK)



LOCATION
UA LOCAL 324
TRAINING CENTRE
2759 LEIGH ROAD
LANGFORD, BC



CAPACITY
MAXIMUM
12 STUDENTS

STUDENTS WILL EXPERIENCE:

- ✓ Basic hand and power tool instruction
- ✓ Pipe trade safety practices
- ✓ Hands-on shop projects
- ✓ Pipe threading and grooving demonstrations
- ✓ Introduction to trade equipment and materials
- ✓ Career pathway discussions within the unionized Pipe Trades industry



STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:



Full shirts required



Jeans or pants required
(no shorts)



Steel-toed boots required



Safety glasses and gloves
will be provided

INTERESTED?
PLEASE CONTACT
KAREN McNEILL
IF INTERESTED



KAREN@UALOCAL324.COM



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Open to high school students curious about the pipe trades.
No experience needed — just a great attitude and
a willingness to learn!

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SEND US YOUR GRAD PHOTO!!

*Let's celebrate our local 2026 graduates of
Royal Bay and Belmont 2026*

in the Goldstream Gazette on June 24th 2026.



**email a grad photo, name and brief
message of congratulations to be in
our section for FREE by June 17 to
publisher@goldstreamgazette.com**

**GOLDSTREAM
GAZETTE.com**

250-478-9552

#1-847 Goldstream Ave

Arts in the Community

Questions? email nkaludjer@sd62.bc.ca

Due to High Demand, please note the changes for these three upcoming shows.

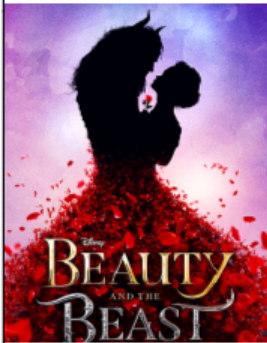


HOKUS POKUS - Fruit Wine Productions

Mon., 21 Sept. 2026 8pm

Selling out FAST

Please contact the theatre directly for tickets.



Sat. 28 Nov.
single seats only
Sun. 29 Nov.
Single seats only
Tue - Fri 24-27
Evening seats only

Due to ferry schedule, we are unable to offer group tickets for an evening show. Please contact the theatre directly for tickets.



DATE CHANGE:

Sat. 12 June 1pm

Queen Elizabeth Theatre
Hamilton St., Vancouver
Tickets:

School cash online
Avail only 10-30 Sept.

Balcony - \$77
Main floor - \$TBA

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.

Coming up:2026/27

Broadway Vancouver:

Beauty and the Beast Nov. 2026

HAMILTON - May/June 2027

(balcony and main floor)

Pacific Opera Victoria:

Il Trovatori

Hansel & Gretel

The Magic Flute

Film in Symphony

Home Alone

Star Wars: A New Hope

How to Train your Dragon

Ballet Victoria

TBA

Victoria On Stage

Into the Woods

Frozen

And much much more...



FAMILY MARKET



SUMMER 2026
11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (or while supplies last)

Sooke Elementary School	Mondays July - 6, 13, 20, 27 August - 10, 17, 24
Spencer Middle School	Tuesdays July - 7, 14, 21, 28 August - 4, 11, 18, 25
Belmont Secondary School	Wednesdays July - 8, 15, 22, 29 August - 5, 12, 19, 26
Westshore Secondary School	Thursdays July - 9, 16, 23, 30 August - 6, 13, 20, 27



This & That



Community Potluck Social

FREE • Local Ingredients • World Flavours • Family-Friendly • LIVE Music
Saturday, August 1, 2026 | 5 to 8pm

St. Mary's Church, 4125 Metchosin Road, Metchosin, B.C.

Bring a dish to share and come celebrate **Food Day Canada** together with neighbours, friends, and new faces at a warm, family-friendly potluck where we turn local ingredients into a sharing table of flavourful international dishes. Live entertainment from the BC Youth Fiddlers. Space is limited. Sign-up online.

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**Farm
TO
Fork**

*Metchosin &
West Shore*

Connecting folks with
local food, flavours
and experiences on the
growing West Shore.

2026

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local farms, farm
stands, eateries,
and flavourful
experiences on
the growing
West Shore.

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discover our **Farm to
Fork Map** online!



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**SOOKE YOUTH THEATRE COMPANY
PRESENTS**

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN JR.

Director and Choreographer: Sage Easton-Levy
Music Director: Marian Schols

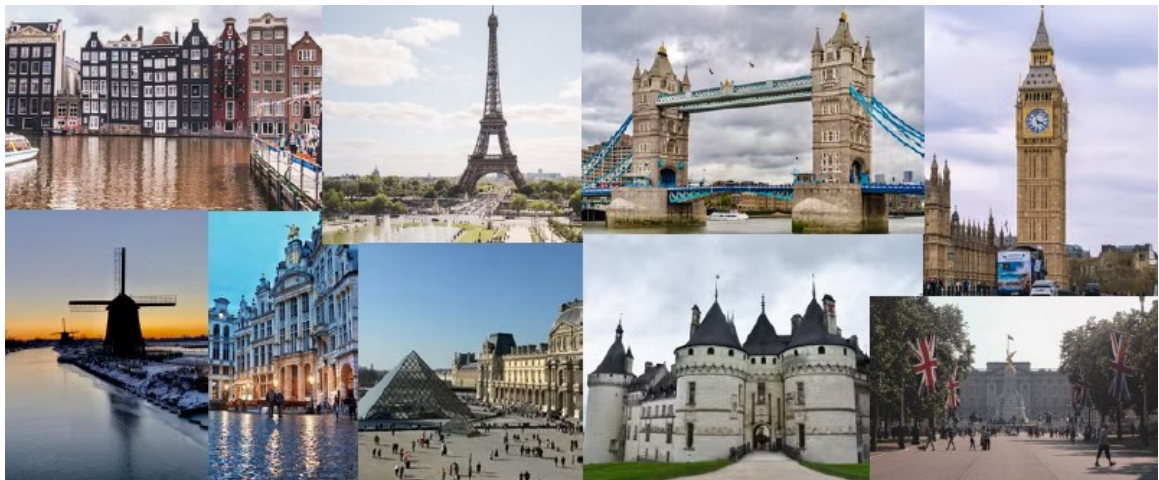
Sooke Community Theatre at EMCS: June 26-28

Tickets available at SookeYouthTheatreCompany.com and the door

General (ages 16-64)	\$25	Seniors (ages 65+)	\$20
Youth (ages 5-15)	\$15	Children (under 5)	Free
Family (2 general and 3 youths)	\$65		

Screenplay by Betty Comden and Adolph Green Songs by Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed
Based on the classic Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film, by special arrangement with Warner Bros. Theatre Ventures, Inc.
Music published by EMI, all rights administered by SONY/ATV Music Publishing LLC
Produced by arrangement with Maurice Rosenfield, Lois F. Rosenfield and Cindy Pritzker, Inc.
"Singin' in the Rain JR." is presented by special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTL www.MTIShow.com

Student Trip — SpringBreak 2028!



European Tour Spring Break 2028

RBSS and EMCS's Europe Trip (Amsterdam, Brussels, Paris and London) is now School Board Approved! Scan the QR code below for more info / to sign up. Save \$200 if you sign up by the end of June.

Scan the QR
code for full
trip details:



Wellness Centre Schedule

SUMMER HOURS @ Belmont Wellness Centre

Youth Health Services

Provided by Island Health

**Our Public Health
Nurses can help with a
variety of health needs**

Free and confidential services

- Birth control and condoms
- Emergency contraception
- STI testing and treatment
- HIV testing and education
- Pregnancy testing and counselling
- Immunizations
- Health and wellness support
- Naloxone kit and harm reduction information
- Vaping and smoking cessation
- Referrals as needed



SUMMER SERVICE HOURS

Monday 8:30 to 4:00

Tuesday 8:30 to 4:00

Friday 8:30 to 4:00

Please call: 250-519-3580



*Scan the QR code for
more information on
youth services*

Belmont Wellness Centre 250-519-3580
Appointments Recommended during Summer Hours
3041 Langford Lake Road, Victoria BC V9B 0L9





Important dates to Remember



June 23, 2026	Last Day of Classes
June 24, 2026	Course Completion "I" Day
June 25, 2026	Course Completion "I" Day
June 25, 2026	Last Day of School
June 25, 2026	Semester 2/Term 4 Ends
June 25, 2026	Report Cards Published

2026-2027

September 7, 2026	Labour Day
September 8, 2026	School Reopens - half day grade 9 only
September 9, 2026	School for all students - full day
September 11, 2026	Locker Selections Open - All Grades
September 14, 2026	School Photos
September 15, 2026	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
September 21, 2026	District School Planning Day—no school
September 30, 2026	National Day of Truth & Reconciliation—no school
October 7, 2026	PAC meeting @ 6:30 pm
October 12, 2026	Thanksgiving—no school
October 13, 2026	Report Cards Published
October 21, 2026	Retakes for School Photos
October 23, 2026	NID - Provincial Pro—D no school
November 4, 2026	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
November 9, 2026	Post Secondary Event
November 10, 2026	Remembrance Day Assembly
November 11, 2026	Remembrance Day (No School)
November 26, 2026	Early Dismissal Day (3 hrs for all schools)
November 27, 2026	NON Instructional Day - No School
December 2, 2026	PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
December 3, 2026	RBSS Winter Music Concert
December 10, 2026	Winter Formal
December 12 - 18, 2026	GRAD Photo's
December 15 & 16, 2026	RBSS Dance Academy Winter Performance
December 18, 2026	Last day Before Winter Break