

From the Raven's Nest...

for Friday, April 22, 2022

Dear Families,

What a busy week!

Well it has been a very busy week with our Grade eight students heading off to Galiano for continued marine studies, all of our classes involved in the Township of Esquimalt Earth Day celebration at Highrock park, our "80's spirit day" on Friday and a staff versus student game on Friday at lunch. It is amazing how many events can be fit into a short week!

This week we continue to have a variety of events

As you can see in the calendar below there are many events that are happening this week and beyond. We hope that you can add these to your family's organizational system and help remind your child of the events as they arise. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

What's happening at Rockheights next week:

Monday, Apr 25th

Grade 7 and 8 Band students to Esquimalt High

Tuesday, Apr 26th

• RMS PAC Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, Apr 27th

Noon - Music Pizza sales

Thursday, Apr 28th

- Chess Club at lunch in the LLC
- Badminton Tournament at Rockheights

Friday, Apr 29th

Looking Further Ahead:

May 4th – Showcase of Learning and Young Entrepreneur Fair

<u>May 5th</u> – Beginner Band to Spectrum Community School

<u>May 13th</u>— Grade 7 and 8 Band students to Camp Pringle

RMS PAC News: PAC Meeting is this week on Tuesday April 26

We will be meeting, via Zoom on Tuesday April 26 and hope you can join us at the following link: https://gvsd61.zoom.us/j/67088204741?pwd=eDhDd2w0Z2tWVVBjeDdIYUJBMUpNUT09

Order deadline extended to Tuesday April 26th at NOON!



YES, we have extended the deadline for orders to Tuesday at NOON. A big thank you to the PAC for organizing this as we know it is a welcome relief to families to not have to worry about lunches on Thursdays between May 6 and June 9. If you have not already submitted your order, please check your child's backpack or they are attached to this update.

<u>Country Grocer receipts</u> — Yes, the PAC is still collecting your Country Grocer receipts. Country grocer provides a percentage of all sales back to the school and this credit is used to support families within our community and to provide some of the materials for our food programs here at the school. We hope that if you support Country Grocer that you will please send you receipts to school with your child. They can be dropped off in the office and will be sent to our PAC who submit them to Country Grocer for the credit they provide.

Parents of grade eight students needed to plan the

Year End Celebration — If you have a child in grade eight or really like planning celebrations, we hope you can join us for Tuesday's PAC meeting as this will be one of the topics of discussion. We are looking at planning a fundraising bottle drive (Saturday June 4), and also a few activities for our grade eight students as they transition to high school. We hope to see you at the PAC meeting!

SAVE THE DATE!!! You are invited on May 4th to our "Showcase

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of Learning" — We are very happy to welcome families back into the school to celebrate the work that your child(ren) have been doing. On the afternoon of May 4, we hope that you will be able to join us between 1pm and 3pm to visit your child's class, see artifacts of their learning, and even take the opportunity to visit our Young Entrepreneur Fair (which will be taking place in the gym) as well as other areas of the school. We realize this may be difficult timing with work schedules, but feel free to pass the date on to grandparents if they have more flexible schedules.

We will have more details, as well as a schedule of events, in next Friday's update as a couple of our music ensembles will also be playing and we realize that if you child is involved in these ensembles, you will likely want to see them perform.

We also understand that people's comfort levels will vary with coming into the school and I wanted to remind you that masks are optional for everyone but we do ask that you continue to use additional layers of protection such as regular handwashing/sanitizing and staying at home if you are feeling sick. We also ask that you support each other's personal choice as to whether or not they wear a mask.

All and all, it is a very busy time of year and we appreciate your support and continued communication if you have concerns about your child's progress. We wish you all the best for the weekend and look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday morning.

Sincerely, Mr. Maxwell