



# *From the Raven's Nest...*

for Friday, June 21, 2024

**Lots of lasts...** It is hard to believe that we are entering the last week of the school year and we know that this has been a long year and as we check off the list of “things to do before the summer” the days are flying by. This week we really get to celebrate the accomplishments of our students and play together as a school. On Monday we have our Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony. Thank you to those parents that have volunteered to help with the decorations and the BBQ that is taking place on the Monday afternoon. We have the decorating committee ready to go and we will be decorating on Sunday (June 23) from 12-3pm in the gym.

The ceremony itself will be on Monday June 24 starting at 10:15 in the morning. Parents and guests are welcome to start arriving at 10am. Parking at the school is limited so carpooling or walking is encouraged.

Next week we also have our annual year end celebration that we call the “Rock Royale” in which students will be on either team red or team Black and will take part in a series of challenges to earn points for their teams. **Students will find out on Monday which team they are on so if you could help your child find potential red or black clothing that they will be able to wear on Tuesday and Wednesday for these events.**

## What's happening next week at Rockheights:

### **Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> –**

- Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony at 10:15am

### **Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> -**

- **NO MORE PIZZA** until the Fall – **Please be sure to pack a lunch**
- *Rock Royale! Be sure to dress in your assigned colours*

### **Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

- *Rock Royale! Be sure to dress in your assigned colours*
- Summary Reports available through Parent Connect

### **Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

- **Last Day of School for the year.**

### **Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

- Administrative Day – No School for students

### **Looking Further Ahead:**

**Summer Break!**

**Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony:** Thank you to those parents that have volunteered to help with the Grade 8 recognition ceremony on Monday June 24. **We have the decorating committee ready to go and we will be decorating on Sunday June 23 from 12-3pm in the gym.** We really appreciate all of the support from the parent community and the commitment from the PAC to fund this great event. The ceremony itself will be on Monday June 24 starting at 10:15 in the morning. Parents and guests are welcome to start arriving at 10am. Parking at the school is limited so carpooling or walking is encouraged.

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The ceremony will last about an hour and there will be time for photos afterwards. For the afternoon the grade eight students will be having a BBQ at Memorial Park and a chance to socialize and celebrate their completion of middle school.

We really appreciate all of the support from the parent community with the bottle drive earlier this year and the commitment from the PAC to fund this great event.

**End of Year procedures...** – We really appreciate all of the support as we wrap up the school year and hope that the summer brings time for rest and relaxation. Students will be bringing home their materials this week and cleaning up their areas in their class.

**Library:** Thank you to everyone for their help with returning the various resources to the school. We have had many books and other resources returned and I know that Ms. Hutchinson and Ms. Peters have been working hard to connect with those students/families that still have overdue books.

**Athletics:** Can you please have a look to ensure that your child is not in possession of any Rockheights uniforms or school equipment. We are still missing some uniforms and would appreciate any being returned to the school so they can be washed and put away for next year.

**Lost and Found:** Please encourage your child to check out the Lost and Found at the School to ensure that they do not have any belongings in there. There is not a lot in there but any belongings will be on display in the main corridor that runs from the office to the gym.

**Textbook deposit for leaving Grade 8 students:** For those Grade eight student families that paid their textbook deposit in grade 6, and have ensured that ALL books and resources have been returned to the school, are entitled to ask for your \$20 deposit back. If you do not have it returned, that money will be used to purchase other resources for students. Families requesting the return of their deposit can please do so by emailing me at [amaxwell@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:amaxwell@sd61.bc.ca) and I can check with our accounts clerk to arrange for the reimbursement to you over the summer. This is done through the district so it can take a few weeks to process and mail you a cheque. Please ensure you send me your current mailing address so we can ensure it gets sent to the correct place.-

### **Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils needs your feedback!**

The Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils (VCPAC), the official parent voice to the School Board, is seeking input to help improve the educational experiences of our students and their families within the school district. To provide input and for further details, please click here:

<https://forms.gle/Yn5WgF9TTZwZAPjR7>

Thank you for your time and valuable input. Together, we can work towards creating a better educational experience for our children.

Warm regards,  
The VCPAC Executive

We hope you all have a great weekend!

Sincerely, *Mr Maxwell and Ms. Singh*

**RMS PAC News** – Once again we have arranged with Monk Office supply to be able to pre-order your school supplies for the next school year. These supplies can be delivered to the school so they are waiting for your child or you can choose to pick them up from your local store. Please see the attached letter for details as the orders need to be in by the end of July.

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