



From the Raven's Nest...

for Friday, April 10, 2026

Well my eyelids are heavy, but my heart is full... As I write this, I have just returned from two days in Vancouver with about 60 of our grade 7 and 8 music students. It was a long couple of days including Indigenous teachings and learning on Grouse Mountain, meals out with the entire group, a musical theatre workshop at The Arts Club Theatre on Granville Island including a tour of their entire facility (including the prop department which was one of my personal highlights), and the exploration of the culture and markets in Gastown and on Granville Island. It was a whirlwind couple of days that could not have been possible without the parents and staff that volunteered to chaperone this trip, and specifically our musical “wizard”, Ms. McDonell. Her planning and attention to detail was the key to the success of this experience. It truly was an incredible trip!

That being said, the most incredible aspect of the trip was not the absence of cell phones (although that was pretty magical), but it was the spirit, leadership and comradery of the students. Students consistently stepped up to help each other out, to take care of the various places we visited, and to challenge themselves to take risks to sing, dance and have fun with each other. Were there hiccups and some students that made mistakes- of course, but all and all it was a pleasure to witness and made me proud to tell all of the places that we visited that I was part of a school that had such great kids attending it. Thanks to everyone that participated and thanks again to the adults that made it happen!

Also, as the weather continues to improve, we have classes that regularly visit natural areas such as Highrock and Memorial parks, and some classes will start activities such as bike trips into our greater community and stewardship work removing invasive species on our school grounds and nearby parks. We really appreciate your reminders to your children to dress for the weather and to bring a water bottle as this will help them be prepared for the various outdoor activities that are planned. Thanks for your continued support with this request.

Sincerely, *Mr Maxwell and Ms. Richardson*

What's happening in a few weeks at Rockheights:

Monday, April 13th

Tuesday, April 14th

- Grade 6 Badminton practice at lunchtime
- Pizza days return!- Preorder using www.schoolcashonline.com
- 6:30pm RMS PAC Meeting – special focus on Gr 8 Recognition planning

Wednesday, April 15th

- Division 6 to UVic
- Div 11 to Highrock for Earth Day activities
- Grade 7 Badminton practice at lunchtime
- Select student headed to Royal Oak Middle School to represent the school in Badminton

Thursday, April 16th

- Battle of the Books at Lambrick Park Secondary
- Grade 8 Badminton practice at lunchtime

Friday, April 17th


Looking Further Ahead:

Wednesday April 22 – Earth Day

Tuesday April 28 – Class Photos

Pizza Note: We have weekly order options available online right now through www.schoolcashionline.com ALL ORDERS FOR THIS WEEK MUST BE SUBMITTED BY SUNDAY AT MIDNIGHT! Thanks!



Last Call for  Orders —Orders can be placed through www.schoolcashionline.com. **ALL ORDERS MUST BE INTO THE SYSTEM BY SUNDAY APRIL 12.** We hope that this helps relieve some of the lunch pressure in your homes and we know this is a favourite for students.

RMS PAC News!

1. Calling Grade 8 Parents! - Grade 8 Recognition Ceremony planning session – Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 6:30 in the Library. - We hope you can join us for this PAC meeting as we will be looking at our monthly PAC business but will also be having a focussed discussion about the Grade 8 recognition activities that are taking place on Monday June 22.

2. PAC Fundrasier – Spring Planter baskets from Hilltop Greenhouses.

If you are interested in ordering hanging baskets or planters, this is your chance. All orders can be placed at

<https://hilltopgreenhouses.com/pages/fundlet/I6BEWAHZ>

The link is accessible by anyone who clicks on it so please feel free to send it to family and friends that may be interested. Orders must be placed by Wednesday April 22 and baskets will be available for pick up on Thursday April 30 between 2pm and 4pm.

3. MyEducation BC Parent Engagement Session

Hello Parents and Caregivers,

The Ministry is inviting parents and caregivers to participate in a one time engagement session to share their experiences accessing information from their child's school. The session will take place on April 22, 2026, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, and will be hosted via Zoom.

Families rely on information from schools that is clear, timely, and easy to find. This includes things like teacher communications, report cards, attendance, course selections, and school updates, to support their child's learning. The Ministry wants to better understand what is working well today, where challenges exist, and what families need from the digital tools and processes that schools use to share information.

Your insights will help the Province design better digital tools that can support districts and schools in providing clear, timely, and easy to find information to parents and guardians across B.C.

More information can be found here: [Parent Engagement Session - Designing Better Digital Tools for Families](#)

If you're interested in participating, please reach out to the Ministry team at myedbc@gov.bc.ca with your name, e-mail address, and school district. They'll confirm your participation, arrange a calendar hold, and send the Zoom link closer to the session. Participant selection will be on a first come, first served basis.

If you have any questions, you can also contact myedbc@gov.bc.ca.

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