

RWA Student Bulletin

DAY 1 – THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2017

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WELCOME BACK NEW!

A **warm welcome** back to all our returning students and an **equally warm** welcome to our many new students as they prepare to begin a new school year with us here at RWA. We look forward not only to meeting all our new students and helping them settle in as soon and as possible, but also to seeing their parents at the many events that take place at RWA!

– Administration 9/8

SCHOOL STORE HOURS NEW!

- Aug. 31 = 8:00 to 8:45 a.m.
- Sept. 1-9 = 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. & 12:15 to 13:15 p.m.
- Sept. 12 – End of Year = 12:15 to 13:15 p.m.

CAFETERIA NEW!

The EMSB cafeteria and nutrition education services offers *delicious* and affordable nutritionally balanced meals. Please see the cafeteria menu 2017-18 on our website. Full cafeteria service begins September 5, 2017.

– Administration 9/8

WELCOME BACK BBQ NEW!

The RWA Welcome Back BBQ is taking place on **Friday, Sept 8**, on the RWA Back Field! Buy your food & drink tickets **early** to avoid long lineups on the Big Day! They are on sale all week! Ask your SLA rep in Homeroom! All students will have **early dismissals** for the Welcome Back BBQ as follows:

Secondary 1: 12:00 p.m.

Secondary 2 - 5: 12:05 p.m.

– Administration 9/8

FALL SPORTS SIGN UP NEW!

Sign up lists for fall sports are posted in the new gym area. Please sign up ASAP. Try-out/practice dates will be posted here and listed in the bulletin in the next couple of days. Hockey & Basketball sign-up lists are also posted. Try-outs for winter sports will not conflict with RWA fall sport commitments.

– Mr. Bateman 9/6

SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB NEW!

A new school year begins with the same social justice issues that we faced last year – only more pronounced and important!! Join The Social Justice Club and make sure your voice is heard! All are welcome. There is a sign up paper outside of room 212. Juniors and seniors alike are asked to participate. More information will follow.

– T. Smiley 9/5

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING NEW!

Are you interested in joining the x-country running team and competing in 2 races this fall? Yes, you will also receive a sports credit upon completion of the season. Please come to a meeting on Tuesday September 5th at 12:30 in the New Gym for info.

– Ms. O'Neil 9/5

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Aug. 30-Sept. 1** School Store Open 8:00-8:45
- **Aug. 30-Sept. 8** Extended Homeroom
- **Aug. 31** Term I Begins
- **Sept. 5-8** School Store Open 8:00-8:45 & 12:15-13:15
- **Sept. 1** Student Activity Fees Due
- **Sept. 4** Labour Day
- **Sept. 5** Full Cafeteria Services Begins
- **Sept. 6** Meet the Sec I Teacher 19:00
- **Sept. 6** Parent Involvement Form 2017-2018 Due
- **Sept. 8** ID Photos
- **Sept. 8** Course Change Ends
- **Sept. 8** Welcome Back BBQ
- **Sept. 9** Outdoor Pursuits
- **Sept. 11** Awards Assembly Sec I-V (P. 2-6)
- **Sept. 11** Foundation AGM 19:00
- **Sept. 12** Home & School Meeting 19:30
- **Sept. 12** ECA Fair (Auditions)
- **Sept. 13** Outdoor Pursuits 14:00-16:00
- **Sept. 14-15** Secondary I Trip
- **Sept. 15** Habs Raffle Draw
- **Sept. 18** [Open House 17:00-20:00](#)
- **Sept. 19** Late Start 10:30 a.m.
- **Sept. 20** Outdoor Pursuits 14:00-16:00
- **Sept. 20** Application Deadline 19:00
- **Sept. 20** [Grade 6 Orientation 19:00](#)
- **Sept. 22-24** Canoe Camping Trip
- **Sept. 23** [Qualifying Exams A-L](#) – 8:30-12:00
- **Sept. 24** [Qualifying Exams M-Z](#) – 8:30-12:00
- **Sept. 25-29** Mindpop French
- **Sept. 26** ID Photo Retakes
- **Sept. 27** STM OPUS Card Photos
- **Sept. 27** Outdoor Pursuits 14:00-16:00
- **Sept. 28** Governing Board AGM 19:00
- **Sept. 29** MELS Attestation Day

HOPS (GRADE 11) **NEW!**

The Hospital Opportunity Program for students is once again being offered. HOPS is an opportunity for students who are interested in, or who are considering a career in the field of medicine (doctor, nurse, specialist, technician) to observe and assist medical personnel in various departments within the Jewish General Hospital. The program consists of two 5-week sessions during which the selected students will spend 1/2 a day per week at the hospital, as well as attend four mandatory evening lectures. This is a very serious, yet rewarding program. To be considered for the program, students must be in grade 11, have an 85% average or above (on both report card and the relevés de notes), and be taking Sciences courses. Please see Ms. Di Pietro or Ms. Wineberg in room 225 (West Wing) by Friday, September 1, 2017 for an application or more information.

– Ms. Di Pietro and Ms. Wineberg 9/1

BARDOLATORS **NEW!**

If you are interested in auditioning for this year's Bardolator group and did not sign up in June, please come to a brief meeting today after school in room 214 at 12:30 to sign up. Auditions will take place on September 7th from 3-5:30 by order of sign up. You will need to present 10 lines from *Midsummer Night's Dream*.

– Ms. Koyounian 9/7

MUSICAL **NEW!**

ATTENTION MUSICAL THEATRE CAST OF PANDORA! Please come to a **VERY IMPORTANT** meeting after school in room 216 on Friday, September 1, 2017. We will be handing out rehearsal schedules, info letters for your parents, and scripts! See you soon!

– Ms. Kuch 9/1

HONOUR BAND **NEW!**

Welcome back! Our first rehearsal is Thursday, August 31, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. See you then! – Ms. Purdy 8/31

JAZZ BAND **NEW!**

Welcome back! We will have a meeting Thursday, August 31st at 3:15 for all those who are interested in being in this year's jazz band. You must be an advanced player on the following instruments: saxophones, trumpets, trombones, euphoniums, drums, piano, electric guitar and electric bass. Guitar players must be able to read music (not tabs) and be familiar with jazz chords.

– Ms. Purdy 8/31

ATTENTION, CREATIVE WRITERS! **NEW!**

Attention all writers and cartoonists and artists of every stripe! Royal West has a Literary Magazine and this year we hope to publish two issues! We need material and we know you are up for the challenge. Meeting for interested students at Lunch on Wednesday, September 6th in room 21 – Ms. Holloway and Mr. Northey 9/6

CANOE CAMPING TRIP **NEW!**

To all grade 11 students interested in participating on the trip, there will be a meeting Tuesday, September 5, 2017, in room 306 at 12:30 pm.

– J. Zigby 9/5

RECYCLING **NEW!**

Please make sure that all recycling is brought down to the area near rm.103 during homeroom (same place as last year). Please reduce, reuse, and recycle!

– Caretaker

RWA STUDENTS **NEW!**

RWA Rugby Teammates **Brad Hunger & Thomas Otto Artmann-Sherren** made the Quebec Rugby Team this summer and have also received *Man of the Game* recognition! Out of six games, Mr. Artmann-Sherren has received it twice and Mr. Hunger has received it three times! Great job by two awesome students!

– Administration 9/1

MESSAGE FROM SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY ANIMATOR **NEW!**

A Warm Welcome Back from your SCA! Welcome back to yet another exciting school year! Please allow me to introduce myself, my name is **Ms. Trehin** and I am your *Spiritual Community Animator* at RWA. I am at RWA on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and my office can be found on the first floor west wing. Please feel free to drop by and say hello! September is **International Peace Month**. Look for more updates coming your way. Looking forward to meeting you soon!

– Ms. Trehin 9/5