



ROYAL WEST ACADEMY
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
November 22, 2021

1. RENOVATION PROJECTS

- **Auditorium:** Scheduled to start in the Spring
Start of work has been delayed significantly due to the ongoing use of the auditorium space. COVID regulations require that music students are distanced (2m apart) while playing their wind instruments. Unfortunately, the existing space in the music room (rm 118) is insufficient to accommodate this directive, so the music class has had to move to the auditorium. Should the directives change, and we are permitted to return our students to the music room, we will be able to ask contractors to begin their work in March instead of in May. Conversely, if the directives do not change, we may have to delay the project further.
- **Remaining washrooms (other than Boys 2nd floor + 3rd floor)**
Full renovation of remaining bathrooms is scheduled to begin at the end of June 2022.
- **Science labs**
Partial renovation of science labs is scheduled to begin at the end of June 2022.

2. INSTALLATION OF CO2 DEVICES

As part of a MEQ initiative, CO2 devices are in the process of being installed in each classroom.

3. AIR PURIFIER FILTERS

As you will recall, air purifiers were installed in our classrooms last January (2021). As the first year of use is concluding, our school will receive replacement filters to be installed in the coming weeks.

4. UPDATE: ADMISSIONS 2022-2023

We have completed the process of admissions for the 2022-2023 school year, having offered early admission to 55 students and interviewed another 430 applicants. From the list of interviewed students, an additional 137 were offered admission, and approximately 75 students were placed on a waitlist.

5. NEW ETHICS COURSE (ETHICS AND QUEBEC CULTURE)

A few weeks ago, the MEQ announced the revamping of the Ethics and Religious Culture course. It will be known as the Ethics and Quebec Culture course. Details will be forthcoming.

6. VIRTUAL PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

On Thursday we held our first parent-teacher interviews virtually. There was some concern over the fact that not all parents were able to book an appointment with teachers, due to insufficient time slots to choose from. It is important to note that like the in-person event, it is impossible to guarantee a meeting for each parent. For every parent to have access to all of their child's teachers, it would require between 12 and 23 hours to complete the interviews, which is more than is allotted time of the event (5.5 hours). We greatly appreciate parents' understanding.