

# Royal West Academy

## Student Bulletin

We would like to acknowledge that Royal West Academy is located on unceded Indigenous lands. The Kanien'kehá:ka\* Nation is recognized as the traditional custodians of Tiohtià:ke/Montréal\*, which has long been a site of meeting and exchange for many First Nations and is currently home to diverse groups of Indigenous and other peoples. We are grateful to live, work, and learn here and recognize the important role of education in reconciliation. (and in maintaining connections between the past, present, and future.)

Dont wish for it  
Work for it

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 12 – Course Change Deadline
- Sept 12 – Virtual Meet the Sec. 1 Teacher
- Sept 13 – Welcome Back Assemblies
- Sept 14 – STM Opus Photos
- Sept 19 – 21 – Guidance Visits to Sec. 1
- Sept 21 – International Peace Day
- Sept 21 – Open House
- Sept 22 – Car Free Day
- Sept 22 – Ped Day

#### NEW!

#### Breakfast Program

Royal West is happy to announce that our subsidized **Breakfast Program** is back!!!

A Healthy and tasty breakfast will be sold in the RWA Cafeteria between at 8:00 and 8:25 am each morning. A full breakfast will be sold for just **\$1 (exact change please)**. The Breakfast Program is open to all RWA students. Tasty choices include:

- Bagel with cream cheese/butter/cheddar cheese and a juice or milk
- Pizza Bagel with a juice or milk
- Muffin and yogurt with juice or milk

Come check us out and start your school day off right with a balance breakfast at a reduced cost!

#### NEW!

#### Diversity Caravan

Looking for something to do in a ped day and want to earn an ECA credit? Well then join us for our first trip on September 22!

**Brief meeting this Wednesday Sept.13 @lunch in room 111. All are Welcome!**

**Trip 1: Tour of Kahnawake - Friday September 22nd** (spaces are limited) –**Sign up outside room 111. Please come to the meeting to pick up permission forms and for more information. "Let's Discover Together!"**

#### NEW!

#### Synchronized swimming SIGNUPS

If you love to swim but want to try something new, sign up for synchronized swimming! Sign ups are outside Room 305. When you sign up, make sure to come to the information meeting at the **beginning of lunch Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> in Room 305.**

#### NEW!

#### Water polo SIGNUPS

Hi RWA, are you interested in a fun way to stay active? Come join the first ever water polo team at RWA. The more people interested the better since we will only be able to make this happen with a high number of willing players! Please sign up outside of Room 305 and come to 104 during homeroom if you have questions.

#### NEW!

#### Juvenile Boys Flag Football

Practice today (Tuesday Sept 12) has been moved to the front field afterschool.

#### NEW!

#### Bantam Soccer Try-outs:

Bantam Boys Try-out is Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> on the front field starting at 3:10pm

The Bantam Girls next try-out will be Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:10 on the front field.

**NEW!**

### **Display Club**

For those who signed up for Display Club (or those who are still interested in joining!) there will be a meeting in the Library after school (3:00 PM) on Wednesday! – Ms. Germain & Ms. Trehin

**NEW!**

### **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Vous aimez bricoler, dessiner et vous voulez sauver la planète en recevant un crédit environnemental?! OUI!? Et bien joignez-vous à l'**équipe de publicité** du E.C.. Nous ferons des affiches pour le tri des déchets (recyclage, poubelle et compost) et d'autres pour conscientiser notre communauté scolaire aux enjeux de la crise climatique. Nous ferons également une corvée de nettoyage dans le quartier et construirons des boîtes pour la collecte de crayons, stylos et surligneurs usagés. Nous réaliserons nos projets les **mardis après l'école, de 15h10 à 16h00**. VENEZ VOUS INSCRIRE AUJOURD'HUI OU DEMAIN DANS LA SALLE 109. Mme Deschênes

**NEW!**

### **Bantam boys flag football (Sec 1 and Sec 2)**

The second tryouts will be held Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> after school in the back field. Bring your cleats!

**NEW!**

### **Course Change**

Just a reminder that today is the deadline for all course change forms to be submitted.

**NEW!**

### **Swim team SIGNUPS!**

It's now time to sign up if you are interested in joining the RWA Swim Team. Signups will be posted outside of the Foundation gym. Once you've signed up, please be prepared to come to a **mandatory** meeting **Wednesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at lunch in Room 305**. Please bring your lunch with you as the meeting will take around 30 min.

### **Grade 7 Walk & Talk Groups**

The response has been overwhelming and all the places to sign up have been filled (and then some!). The groups will begin the week of Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> and run for 10 consecutive weeks at lunch time. Watch for an announcement in next week's student bulletin for all the exciting details of where and when we meet. See you then! H. Held - Student Services

### **Cross-Country Running**

Please make sure to come pick up a form (room 226) if you were not at last practice. Next practice will be held Thursday September 14<sup>th</sup> afterschool. We will meet near the Foundation Gym doors. Just a reminder that forms are due at the latest September 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB**

We are meeting on Tuesday in Room 215. All are welcome!

### **Math Competition Club**

"It is impossible to separate a cube into two cubes, or a fourth power into two fourth powers, or in general, any power higher than the second, into two like powers. I have discovered a truly marvelous proof of this, which this margin is too narrow to contain."

Fermat was almost certainly wrong when he wrote this in 1637. It took until 1995 for a real proof to be proposed by Andrew Wiles.

Be Wiles, not Fermat. Math Competition Club meets for the first time on Tues in 201 at lunch.

### **Swim Team Coaches**

The list of all those who have been selected as a swim team coach is UP outside Room 305. If your name is on the list, please come to a meeting Thursday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at lunch in Room 305. The meeting will take about 20 min. so please come right at the beginning of lunch.

### **GMAA Golf Tournament:**

Please see Mr. Aiken on Friday, at lunch, on the back field, during the Welcome Back BBQ, if you are interested in participating in a best ball golf tournament, at Caughnawaga golf course, on Sept. 20. Each golfer will be responsible for a 70\$ green fee and providing their own equipment. Space will be limited. Thank you. Mr. Aiken

### **Photography Club**

Hey all you budding photographers, Photography Club is back! If you are an experienced photographer or have been part of the club before, meetings will be at lunch in Room 206 on Day 5 from 12:30-1:00. For people who have never done photography and would like to learn more about it, a Beginners Group will meet on Days 2 at the same time. Hope to see you there!

- Mr. Chen

### **ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Create an account at [mylifetouch.ca](http://mylifetouch.ca) using your **student ID number** (found in Mozaik or on your schedule). Orders will be delivered directly to your house.

For any students or staff who missed photo day, please note that re-take day is Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>. More information to come as we approach the date.

### **Voices of Olympia Canada School Competition**

"Voices of Olympia Canada (VOOC) is a global citizenship learning-based initiative that offers a School Competition open to secondary school girls in Canada. It uses a human rights approach to reflect on the central theme of gender inequalities and its impact on the empowerment of girls and women. This competition involves: collaborative and teamwork, use of diverse sources of information, critical thinking, public speaking, writing, innovation, parental and community participation" (Voices of Olympia, 2023).

**Open to all Sec 4 and 5 girls! (Cultural and Community credits)**

**Want to know more? Come to the Information meeting in room 211 on Wednesday, September 13th**

-Ms. Bateman

### **Bike to school and floor hockey**

Bike to school and floor hockey activities now available. Registration is in the science room (between rooms 302 and 304).

### **Dance Show**

Hey RWA! Are you interested in joining a fun, social and active ECA? Join Dance Show 2024!! RWA Dance Show is a dynamic ECA where you can meet new people and get involved in many styles of dance! Sign-up sheets for dancers as well as choreographers will be posted on the door of room 313 and should be filled out for your tryout day.

Tryouts will take place in room 102

Tryout dates:

Grade 9: September 12th

Grade 10: September 13th

Grade 11: September 14th

Contemporary: September 18th

### **ASL Club**

Have you been wanting to learn a new language with others and increase your communication skills?

This is not just any old spoken language... This is American Sign Language. Hurray! This brand new club will be an interactive student driven club which will allow you to learn a great new language which only a select few people know today. It is also a great way to make new friends and have fun during lunch. The club will take place on every Day 6 at Lunch in room 210 with Mr. Rafael and Ms. Gagliano.

Looking forward to seeing you there. All are welcome anytime, but space is limited! First meeting will be on Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup> at lunch!

### **Uber deliveries**

You are reminded that you can not have food delivered to the school. You will have to meet your delivery person outside and off school premises. It is forbidden to use the school's address for personal deliveries.

### **HOPS (GRADE 11)**

HOPS is an opportunity for students who are interested in, or who are considering a career in the field of medicine (doctor, nurse, specialist, and technician). This year due to restrictions, students will not be permitted to enter the hospital. The Jewish General Hospital Auxiliary has created projects for students that are related to the medical field. Students will spend once a week, (half day) working on the project in their respective school. Students will have to attend four mandatory evening lectures (virtually). 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, and be taking Sciences courses. Please see Ms. Di Pietro in room 226 (west wing), for an application or more information. Forms must be received no later than September 13th to Ms. Di Pietro (226 west wing office).

### **Club de thé**

Le club de thé est de retour! Venez vous joindre à nous les mardi midi dans le local 108. Apportez votre diner. Nous débutons le 12 septembre et le club est réservé aux 4e et 5e secondaires. Limite de 20 personnes par session.

David H. et Fred C.

### **OPEN HOUSE - Volunteers needed!**

Please contact Ms Macleod if you would like to volunteer as a tour guide (sec 2-5) or extra helper (sec 1-5) at the RWA Open House this year. You can send me your name by email at [smacleod2@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:smacleod2@emsb.qc.ca) or see me in the music department to be added to the Open House group on Teams. Thank you!