

# 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.)



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 15-19 – MindPOP History
- Jan. 17 – Winter Concert
- Jan. 18 – Semester 1 Ends
- Jan. 19 – RWA Spirit Day
- Jan. 19 – Semester 2 begins
- Jan. 22 – Winter Carnival
- Jan. 24 – Sec. 5 Museum Trip
- Jan. 27 – International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- Jan. 29 – Action against Islamophobia Day

**NEW!**

#### Grad Apparel

Reminder that grad apparel is on sale Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week in room 102 in the morning and at lunch. Please bring your order form and payment.

**NEW!**

#### Air pods left in room 209

If you left your air pods in Ms. Amro's class, come to see her today (Wednesday, Jan.17) at lunch.  
- Ms. Amro

**NEW!**

#### BOYS BADMINTON TRYOUTS

Reminder that 3<sup>rd</sup> tryout for bantams AND cadets AND juveniles is today, Wednesday January 17<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the New Gym. Call back list is posted outside New Gym. If your name isn't on the list but you have missed both tryouts so far, you may come to this one as a make-up. If you have any questions, please see Isaac.

**NEW!**

#### Science Presentation board

Science presentation boards are available at the school store 15\$

**NEW!**

#### GRAD PHOTOS

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> in room 102. Gown, sash, and white scarf or mock shirt/tie supplied. Ask your homeroom teacher for the detailed schedule

**NEW!**

**Science Games Club:** We meet Thursday, January 18 at 12:30 Rm 307. New members welcome!

**NEW!**

#### Lost Green Sec. 4 History Textbook

Textbook belonging to Tallis Leblanc (name in cover). Please check if you have a second textbook in your possession, or if you accidentally have the book. If found, please bring to the office.

**NEW!**

#### Lost and Found

OYE OYE... Lost anything? The Lost and Found bins are quickly piling up, need to empty space to accommodate more of your lost water bottles and uniforms?! Please pass by to retrieve any lost items. Bins will be cleared and cleaned by the 31st of January, 2024 All items will be donated for a good cause. Don't wait!!!

#### Grad Photos

Grad photos will take place at RWA on Feb 1 & 2. Sec 5 students with last names A-L will be given a time slot on Feb 1 and those with last names M-Z will have their photo taken on Feb 2. More details will follow in the coming days. If you already know of a conflict, please email Ms. Lumsden.

**Opéra de Montréal**

Every year, the Opéra de Montréal presents a program to schools that encourages students from **secondary 4 and 5** to attend several shows from the annual Opera repertoire at Place des Arts. This is a unique chance to see these masterpieces as part of the ECA program. It is also a great way to enjoy an evening out with friends, outside of school. Over the years, students from different schools have had outstanding opportunities to see famous opera performances. If you want to enjoy a multi-sensory experience, to see flamboyant costumes, listen to powerful voices and dramatic stories, why not try the Opera?

This activity is absolutely **FREE of charge**. The only thing that is required is a LOVE for music...

The first show is called **La Reine Garçon**. It is coming very soon, on **Thursday February 1st**. I am sorry for the late announcement, but I just received confirmation from the Opera de Montréal.

Although it is a free activity, seats must be reserved in advance and there are a limited number of tickets that will be granted on a **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS**.

If you are interested in taking part in this ECA, please drop by to Mme Benamron’s room: Room 112 where you can sign up at the door and also pick up a parental permission form.

**Club de BD et chocolat chaud**

Notre prochaine rencontre sera le mercredi 17 janvier au lunch dans le local 207. Nous acceptons de nouveaux élèves pour la session d'hiver (sec. 3-4-5 seulement).

- Madame Gouin

**Winter Concert - Music Department**

The music department is proud to present TWO concerts this week!

Wednesday - features the sec. 2 and 3 instrumental music classes, senior music class chamber music and the Honour Band.

Thursday - features senior music chamber ensembles, the A Capella Choir, the Jazz Band, The Honour Band and the Quebec Youth Wind Ensemble

Tickets are \$5/ student and senior and \$10/ adult each night.

**Computer Science Competition - Grade 11**

If you were in Mr. Nemeth's Computer Science class last year and are interested in doing the University of Waterloo Computer Science competition, there will be a short meeting on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> in room 208 at 12:30pm.

- Mr. Nemeth

**Track and Field**

If you did not attend last practice, make sure to come pick up your parental permission form ASAP with Ms. Di Pietro (226 west wing).

If you will NOT be participating in track please let Mr. Rafael or Ms. Di Pietro know ASAP.

Next track practice will take place Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> during lunch for high jump, shot put, and long jump (Memorial Gym) and afterschool for general fitness (Memorial Gym).

**Samosas** will be sold on FRIDAY this week

**Green Bean Cuisine/Café**

Do you enjoy cooking and baking or want to learn? Anyone interested in participating in Green Bean this year for an Environment or Community credit should come to an info session on Wednesday, January 17th at 12:30pm in room 104. You must participate 4 times during the year for the full credit (Thursday after school AND Friday at lunch).

- Green Bean Cuisine/Café (01/17)

**GIRLS BADMINTON TRYOUTS**

Tryouts for the cadet and juvenile girls badminton teams will be on Wednesday the 17th and Wednesday the 24th of January at 4:30pm in the New Gym.

Bantam girls tryouts will be at 3pm on Thursday the 18th and Wednesday the 24th in the New Gym.

Please bring appropriate footwear, your phys ed uniform, and your racket if you have one!

Sign-up sheets are still posted outside the New Gym.

Talk to Isaac in the New Gym office if you have any questions.

**Recycling Photo for Yearbook**

All homeroom reps that take care of the recycling, please go to the cafeteria Wednesday, Jan 17, during homeroom for your yearbook photo. Empty your bin at the usual spot and then make your way to the cafeteria.

- Environment Committee

**Environment Committee Photo for Yearbook**

All students involved in the Environment Committee, the group photo for the yearbook will be taken at next week's meeting on Thursday, Jan 18, in room 104 at lunch.

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