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.)

Thursday

is the perfect day to show gratitude for all the blessings in your life.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 15-19 MindPOP History
- 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

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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.

Science Presentation board

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

GRAD PHOTOS

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

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

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 accidently have the book. If found, please bring to the office.

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!!!

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.

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 18th in room 208 at 12:30pm.

- Mr. Nemeth

Samosas will be sold on FRIDAY this week

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.

Environment Committee