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.)

"Happy Tuesday! May the positivity of this day radiate through your smile."

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Jan. 22 Winter Carnival
- Jan. 24 Sec. 5 Museum Trip
- Jan. 27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- Jan. 29 Action against Islamophobia Day
- Jan. 31 -Feb. 2 Sec. 4 Ski Trip
- Jan. 31 Feb. 2 Sec. 2 Ski Trip
- Feb. 1 Grad Photos
- Feb. 2 Grad Photos
- Feb. 2 Term 2 Ends
- Feb. 5 Term 3 begins

#### NEWI

## MAKEUP CREW (ALL GRADE LEVELS WELCOME)

Would you like to become a makeup artist to the stars of RWA?! For all those interested in joining the makeup crew for this year's musical, there will be an important information session after school on **Thursday**, **January 25**<sup>th</sup> in room **209**.

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**Sec. 4 and 5:** Students who signed up to go to the Opera, must bring back the parental permission form signed. The first show will take place on February 1<sup>st</sup> at Place des Arts. **Without a written authorization you cannot take part in this event.** If you did not sign up and would like to experience a night out at the Opera, there are still a few tickets available. See Mrs. Benamron in room 112 at lunch or after school to get the parental authorization. See you at the Opera!

### NEW

### **Math Competition Club**

Today (Tuesday) at lunch in room 201!

### NEW!

## Basketball -girls (all levels)

Next basketball practice will be held Friday January 26<sup>th</sup> during lunch in the boy's gym (memorial gym).

### NEW!

# Tyndale Week Fundraiser

Congratulations to all the RWA students and staff involved in the Tyndale Week Fundraiser held before the holidays. RWA raised a total of **\$8,251** this year for the Tyndale St-Georges Community Center. This increases our total amount raised since 2007 to an incredible **\$133,171**.

Since 1927, Tyndale ST-Georges Community Center has provided empowering educational programming for residents of Little Burgundy from birth through adulthood!

### NEW!

# BADMINTON ROBOTICS PROJECT

Interested in robotics, coding, badminton, engineering, or computers?

We are looking for volunteers to help set up our badminton machine!

Community or sport credits are on offer.

Please speak with either Mr. Aiken or Coach Isaac if you are interested or for more information.

# To all Artists at Royal West!

This is your chance to have your art featured in the yearbook. We're collecting mini-Phoenix drawings. Send in your work to the yearbook committee's Instagram or the yearbook committee's email:

rwayearbook2024@gmail.com before February 5th.

Yearbook Committee

# Battle of the Books 2024

There are 3 available places left on the 2024 Battle of the Books team! If this activity interests you, sign up will be on a first come, first serve basis. See Ms. Germain at the library ASAP if you are interested in representing RWA in this incredibly fur and exciting competitive reading activity!

## **Library Hours**

Please note that the library will once again be open 5 days a week! Come by and welcome our temporary library technician **Ms. Lukic**, who will be with us on Mondays and Tuesdays from 8 AM to 4 PM for the next month. Our librarian, Ms. Germain, will continue to be available 7:30AM - 4 PM for the remainder of the week.

### Track and Field

Next practice is Tuesday during lunch in the boy's gym for long jump and triple jump. Thursday after school in the boy's gym for general fitness.

### 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