

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.)

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If you want the cooperation of humans around you, you must make them feel they are important — and you do that by **being genuine and humble.**

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Nelson Mandela



POPSUGAR.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Feb. 13 – Calculus competition**
- **Feb. 14 – Invention Convention**
- **Feb. 15 – Science Fair**
- **Feb 16 – Ped Day**
- **Feb. 19 – 23 – MindPoP French**
- **Feb. 19-22 – Musical Production**
- **Feb. 21 – Computer Science Competition**
- **Feb. 23 – RWA Spirit Day**
- **Feb. 27 – Report Card posted**
- **Feb. 28 – Math Competition**
- **Feb. 28 – Pink Shirt Day**



NEW!

Black Canadian Trailblazers and Changemakers

Did you know?

Anne Clare Cools, originally from Barbados, moved to Montreal when she was 13 years old. She went on to become the first Black senator in Canada and the first Black female senator in North America. Ms Cools was also a social worker, passionate about supporting women who experienced domestic abuse. She opened one of Canada's first women's shelters and co-founded Canada's first domestic violence conference.

Sign Up for the RWA Variety Show 2024

Last call for students wanting to share their talent on RWA's stage – the RWA Variety Show is happening on April 12th! Auditions are taking place between Wednesday, February 21st and Friday, February 23rd in the new music room. (Room 106) Please come prepared to perform your act. If you are a musician, please bring any instruments/props you may need (including amplifiers) and a digital copy of back-up music, if required. The grand piano will be available for those who wish to use it. We are looking for a variety of acts of course, so if you have a special talent, bring it to us! Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board in the first-floor stairwell to the west wing. See members of the SLA, Ms Gagliano or Ms. Macleod if you have any questions.

- Ms Gagliano, Ms. MacLeod and the Variety Show Execs

Congratulations to RWA Swimmers

Our RWA swimmers did us proud at the GMAA Swim Championships last week! Congratulations to Arsham Mohammadalizadeh who won a bronze medal for his 100m free and a silver medal in the 50m free race. Kieran Smalley won the bronze medal in that same 50m free category while Oliver Blanchard won a silver medal in both the cadet 50m free and 50m back category. Bringing in the gold medal in the bantam 50m breast category is William Benzacar, bravo! Both our Bantam boys and Cadet boys won bronze and silver medals respectively in the 4 x 50m medley relay. Shout outs to those 8 swimmers: Arsham M, William Benzacar, Kieran Smalley, Sparsh Shah, Oliver Blanchard, Aristotle Semergian, Justin Rodger and Jacob Van Rootselaar.

On the girl's side, grade 7 Avery Mark brought home the bronze medal while Lucy Convié won a Silver medal in the 100m IM category.

Shout out to all of those who also won ribbons and did some personal best times. Great season and we'll see you all next year!

- Mrs. Kissin and Mr. Rafael

EMS

EMSB Leadership Camp 2024

This is a last call to students who are signed up for this year’s EMSB Leadership Camp. Registration forms are due soon and of the 22 people on my list, only 5 have submitted their signed forms and cheques to date. If you are hoping to attend, whether you are on the waiting list or not, please check our Teams group page for information updates and bring me your completed registrations ASAP. You can either download the forms from Teams or see me for printed copies. -Ms MacLeod

BLACK HISTORY MONTH and SOCIAL JUSTICE CLUB Film Festival:

Tuesday February 13 and Tuesday February 20, Tuesday February 27, the SJC will be showing the award-winning films that teach and entertain.

" 13th" which highlights Black American history, racism and the profit driven mass incarceration of African Americans.

Selma - a feature film about Martin Luther King's courageous march on Selma.

All are welcome. Discussion will follow later.



Musical Ticket Sales.

Tickets for the RWA Musical 'Lucky Stiff' (Feb. 19th to 22nd) will be on sale starting Thursday, Feb. 8th at lunch outside room 216. (Cash or cheque).

Student tickets are \$10.00 EXCEPT for Feb. 19th (\$5 for students only)

Adults \$15.00 all performances

FRONT OF HOUSE ECA:

Front of House volunteers needed. If you are interested with helping the musical outside the performing and production aspect, please see Mr. Bateman to sign up. You will be awarded a full or half community or cultural credit depending on the number of hours you help. The majority of the time will be during the performances (at the door sales, ushering, food sales, etc.), but some ticket sale time and closing/set deconstruction will be needed.

ROYAL WEST ACADEMY PRESENTS

A PRODUCTION OF:

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BOOK AND LYRICS BY:
LYNN AHRENS

MUSIC BY:
STEPHEN FLAHERTY

BASED ON "THE MAN WHO BROKE THE BANK AT MONTE CARLO"
BY MICHAEL BUTTERWORTH

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED BY PLAYWRIGHTS HORIZONS INC.
OFF-BROADWAY IN 1988

FEB. 19TH (STUDENTS \$5) 7:30 P.M

DIRECTOR: JORDAN GASPARIK

FEB. 20TH 7:30 P.M

MUSICAL DIRECTOR: CHRIS BARILLARO

FEB. 21ST 7:30 P.M

CHOREOGRAPHER: JONATHAN PATTERSON

FEB. 22ND 7:30 P.M

PRODUCER: ERIKA KUCH

STUDENTS \$10, ADULTS \$15

AT THE DOOR OR ROOM 216

CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY

ROYAL WEST ACADEMY

