

# 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

- ❖ Sep. 3 – I.D. Photos
- ❖ Sep. 5 – Sep. 10 – MindPoP Homeroom
- ❖ Sep. 11 – Course Change Deadline
- ❖ Sep. 11 – Welcome Back Assemblies
- ❖ Sep. 12 – STM OPUS Photos
- ❖ Sep. 12 – Meet the Teacher Sec.1 (7PM)
- ❖ Sep. 13 – Welcome Back BBQ
- ❖ Sep. 16 – 18 – Sec. 1 Guidance visit
- ❖ Sep. 19 – Open House
- ❖ Sep. 20 – Ped Day
- ❖ Sep. 21 – International Day of Peace
- ❖ Sep. 22 – Car Free Day



#### **Device Tips**

Want to be less bored? When engaging with your favorite app, spend more time in one article or one song or one video rather than changing quickly between many.

#### **NEW!**

#### **HOPS (Grade 11)**

The Hospital Opportunity Program for students is once again being offered. HOPS is an opportunity for students who are interested in, or who are considering a career in the field of medicine (doctor, nurse, specialist, technician) to observe and assist medical personnel in various departments within the Jewish General Hospital. The program consists of two 5-week sessions during which the selected students will spend 1/2 a day a week at the hospital as well as attend 4 mandatory evening lectures. 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) by Friday September 6th, for an application form or for more information. Forms are due no later than Monday, September 9th.

- Ms. Wineberg and Ms. di Pietro

#### **NEW!**

#### **BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER PROGRAM (SEC I)**

Would you like to come chat with a RWA student and share experiences of growing up? Discussions will take place once a week during lunch. If interested, please see Ms. Di Pietro in room 226-west wing office or email at [sdipietro@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:sdipietro@emsb.qc.ca) ECA credits offered.

#### **NEW!**

#### **BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER PROGRAM (SEC 4 AND 5)**

The mentoring program provides boys and girls with a role model and friend they can talk to and share their experiences of growing up. If you are in grade 10-11 and interested in participating in the big brother/big sister program, please see Ms. Di Pietro or email at [sdipietro@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:sdipietro@emsb.qc.ca). Students will meet once a week during lunch. Make a difference in someone's life today! Ms. Di Pietro -226 west wing office –ECA credits offered

#### **NEW!**

#### **Popsicle Sales**

Grad Committee will be selling popsicles at lunch in the foyer for \$1 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

#### **NEW!**

#### **ATTENTION ALL GRADE 7 STUDENTS**

Are you interested in an enjoyable way to meet new people, have fun, and earn an extra-curricular credit as well? If so then this is your lucky day! Simply sign up for the 30th annual RWA "Walk & Talk" group. This group will meet for 10 consecutive weeks, have lunch together outside and then go for a brisk walk in the community during the lunch hour. Games will be played and yes, there will even be prizes awarded as well. All this and you will also earn a

cultural or community ECA credit!

In order to join in the fun all you have to do is sign up on the sheets on the bulletin board on the main floor outside room 208 (right above the water fountain). You can choose whether you want to participate on either Tuesday or Wednesday, however space is limited to the first 40 students who sign up for each day - so don't delay!

H. Held - Student Services

**NEW!**

**Cross-Country Running**

If interested in participating in cross-country running, please sign-up outside the New Gym (Foundation Gym). First practice will be held Thursday September 5th after school. We will meet near the New Gym. The race will take place October 10th at Mont Royal. If you have any questions, please see Mr. Rafael (210) or Ms. Di Pietro (226)

**NEW!**

**PEER TUTORS NEEDED (GRADE 9-10-11)**

The Peer Tutoring program is once again being offered at RWA. If you are in grade 9-10-11 and interested in being a peer tutor for the 2024-2025 academic year, please see Ms. Di Pietro. The cost is \$15.00 an hour and students may be tutored either once or twice a week during lunch or after school. Students may pick up forms which are available in Ms. Di Pietro's office, in room 226 (west wing office).

**NEW!**

**Power-Walking**

With fall right around the corner, come enjoy the outdoors by walking through the Montreal West neighborhood. Sessions will take place every Tuesday after school from 3:10 to 4:00. ECA credits offered (community or sport). Sign-up sheet outside room 224 -near bulletin board/water fountain. The first session begins on Tuesday September 10th. We will meet near the New Gym doors at 3:10.

**NEW!**

**Swim team COACHES**

Are you a student in grade 10 or 11 and interested in being a Swim Team coach? Please come to Room 305 to pick up an application form.

- Ms. Kissin

**NEW!**

**ID PHOTOS**

Please head to **Memorial Gym** according to the following schedule for ID photos today. Students who are absent will have their photo taken at a later date.

PERIOD 1 8:44-9:34			
TIME	SEC.	LAST NAME	# OF STUDENTS
8:40	5	A-Ca	28
8:50	5	Ch-F	30
9:00	5	G-K	32
9:10	5	L-Pe	30
9:15	5	Po-Si	28
9:25	5	Sk-Z	23

PERIOD 4 11:36-12:26			
TIME	SEC.	LAST NAME	# OF STUDENTS
11:36	2	A-Ca	30
11:45	2	Ch-He	30
11:54	2	Hu-L	28
12:00	2	M-Ra	33
12:08	2	Re-Ta	31
12:15	2	Th-Z	27

PERIOD 2 9:38-10:28			
TIME	SEC.	LAST NAME	# OF STUDENTS
9:38	4	A-B	28
9:45	4	C-F	29
9:55	4	G-L	29
10:05	4	M-Ph	28
10:13	4	Pi-Si	26
10:20	4	So-Z	27

PERIOD 5 1:16-2:06			
TIME	SEC.	LAST NAME	# OF STUDENTS
1:16	1	A-Ch	30
1:25	1	Co-Gu	34
1:32	1	H-Lu	34
1:40	1	M-P	35
1:45	1	Q-St	32
1:55	1	Su-Z	26

PERIOD 3 10:42-11:32			
TIME	SEC.	LAST NAME	# OF STUDENTS
10:42	3	A-Ch	30
10:50	3	Co-Fu	31
11:00	3	Ge-La	27
11:08	3	Le-O	26
11:14	3	P-Sc	26
11:23	3	Se-Z	28

**2:10-2:30**  
Anyone who arrived late and missed their scheduled time

STAFF can come down anytime between 8:45-2:30pm

**School Store**

The Co-op will be open from 8AM to 8:30AM from September 3rd -6th. It will also be open at lunch for all your purchasing needs.

**The Prom Musical**

**NEW!**

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, September 4th during lunch in room 216 for everyone in the cast and crew of this year's musical *The Prom*. Also, please check our Google Classrooms for the rehearsal schedule. See you soon!

- Ms. Kuch

**Sorties théâtre (ECA)**

Vous aimez le théâtre? Vous êtes en 4e ou 5e secondaires? Deux sorties seront organisées cette année.

**Peau d'âne** le 15 octobre à 19h      **Incendies** le 12 novembre à 19h30

Pour s'inscrire, venez mettre votre nom sur la liste au 108 mercredi 4 septembre à l'heure du diner. Premier arrivé, premier servi!

- Mme. Moreau

### **All Physical Education Students!!**

If your PE class schedule says Room 114 report to the Foundation Gym for class.

If your PE class schedule says Room 115 report to the Memorial Gym for class.

- PE Department

### **Jazz Band**

Students in sec 3-5 who are interested in playing in this year's jazz band should see me in 117 or email me at [gpurdy@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:gpurdy@emsb.qc.ca). Rehearsals are Thursdays after school from 3:15-4:30.

- Ms. Purdy

### **Borrowed Musical Instruments**

Any instrument that was borrowed from the music department over the summer must be returned immediately to 117. Thank you!

- Ms. Purdy/Ms. Macleod

### **Debate Team – Returning Members Meeting**

There will be a meeting for returning members of the Debate Team on **Wednesday at lunch in Room 211**. Our practice day has changed, and other decisions will need to be made. If you are a returning member of the team but can't come to the meeting, please be sure to come see me **before** the meeting.

Those interested in joining the team for the first time should keep an eye out for a future bulletin announcement. – Ms. Holloway

### **FREE BINDERS!**

Do you need a binder? A selection of previously owned but barely used binders are available for **FREE** in Room 211 **while supplies last**. First come, first served! – Ms. Holloway

### **Fall Season Sports & Athletics:**

Welcome back, everyone! As you are likely aware, sports teams hit the ground running as soon as the school year begins. This said, we will be holding meetings, in the Foundation Gym, at 12:30, on the dates listed below. Please be present should you be interested in participating and/or trying out for the following:

Soccer (all teams): Friday, August 30th

Volleyball (all teams): Tuesday, September 3rd

Orienteering (initially open to grade 8s only): Wednesday, September 4th

We will be able to gauge interest in each activity, which is a contributing factor as to the teams that get registered for our GMAA seasons. Important information will be provided, as well. Looking forward to seeing many of you there!

- P.E. Department

### **Open Gym:**

We will have our first session beginning on Thursday, September 5th. For those who are unaware, Open Gym is an activity that is supervised by the Phys. Ed. teachers, at lunch. Students may come to the Foundation Gym in order to play different sports and/or activities, that are of interest to them, in a safe fashion. Participants must be in phys. ed. shoes to be allowed to enter the gym. Days 1, 3, 5, 7 will be open to the grade 9, 10, 11 students; days 2, 4, 6 will be for the grade 7 & 8 students. Sports credits are available for anyone who signs in 20 times over the course of the school year. You must sign in before 12:35 and stay for the duration of the activity. Rules for Open Gym will be posted. Students not complying will be asked to leave. Take advantage of this opportunity - it's a great way to break up your days in the classroom, it's fun, and you might make new friends in the process!

- P.E. Department

Have a Nice Day!  
