

# Royal West Academy Student Bulletin

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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.)

**IF YOU GET TIRED,  
LEARN TO REST  
NOT TO QUIT**

- Banksy

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## Upcoming events

- ❖ Oct. 21 – 25 – MindPOP
- ❖ Oct. 21 – 25 – Waste Reduction week
- ❖ Oct. 24 – EMSB Career Fair
- ❖ Oct. 25 – RWA Spirit Day
- ❖ Oct. 25 – Terry Fox Run Sec. 2 p. 5&6
- ❖ Oct. 28 – Sec. 1 Day Trip
- ❖ Oct. 31 – Dress Down Day
- ❖ Oct. 31 – Halloween
- ❖ Nov. 1 – Ped Day
- ❖ Nov. 4 – Term 1 Ends
- ❖ Nov. 5 – Term 2 Begins
- ❖ Nov. 7 – Sec 4&5 Visual Arts Museum trip
- ❖ Nov. 8 – Remembrance Day Assemblies
- ❖ Nov. 12 – Calculus Competition

**NEW!**

### **TCBY**

Grad committee will sell TCBY at lunch on Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> for \$3.25.

**NEW!**

### **Science Games Club:**

Meeting today, Thursday, October 24 during lunch Rm 307.

**NEW!**

### **Juvenile Girls Flag Football**

Grade 9, 10 and 11 girls are invited to the front field on Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> for a pre-tryout practice.

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### **RWA Beehive**

Did I mention if you participate in this Friday's Honey Extraction workshop you get to bring home the honey you extract? That if you participate in other RWA Beehive activities taking place later this year, you can earn a community or environment credit? No experience necessary, open to all, Friday from 3:15 to 4:30. Sign up on the door of room 204.

- Mr. Girardin

### **Waste Reduction Week (1/2 environment or community credit)**

Hi everyone!

This week is Waste Reduction Week and the Environment Committee has many different workshops for you to attend. Want to learn how to make a healthy version of one of your favourite snacks that isn't individually wrapped? Need to learn how to sew a button back onto your fast fashion clothing? Come check out the other cool activities we have in store for you on the bulletin board in front of 104! Add your name to the sign-up sheets. First come, first served.

Attend 4 workshops + 2 challenges (bring a reusable water bottle and a waste-free lunch) = 1/2 Environment or Community credit. Get a half credit in one week during lunch hour. Combine it with another half credit you may already have or come back in April for Earth Week for the second half credit.

- Environment Committee (10/24)

### **Debate Team:**

I'll be purchasing everyone's sweatshirts after school on October 28<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't submitted your payment by then, please note that I will not be able to include your order — even if you completed the Google Form. You're welcome to bring cash or a check to me in homeroom 104 before next week's practice. Thank you!

### **Grade 9 Washington Trip!**

Good morning, Grade 9s! Please come to the Memorial Gym this Friday at the start of lunch for a quick and mandatory Washington Trip meeting. Everything is ready, and we're excited to see you there to give out important information and documents.

As well, be sure to join our Google Classroom for important updates.

Google Classroom Code: srb4qs4

- Mr. Wilson

Attention to sec. 4 and 5 students, if you are interested to go to the Opera see **Hamlet**, an adaptation of Shakespeare's iconic play, must come and take a permission form to be signed by a parent. **Without a parental authorization, you will not be able to participate in this outing.** This is a unique chance to see this masterpiece at NO COST. ECA credit. First come, first served. Students who signed up already must return the permission form signed.

- Caroline Benamron 112

### **Bantam Girls Flag Football**

We will be having a pre-tryout session on Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> on the front field. Come dressed and ready to play afterschool at 3:10 - 4:15 pm. No sign-up sheet will be posted. We will take your name at the practice.

**Attention Sec V students:** A new ECA is being offered at RWA. On Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, the Cultural Awareness Programme will be officially launched. This ECA will give you the opportunity to earn either a community or cultural credit and a chance to travel to Greece in late spring 2025. Join me at the first meeting to learn more ! Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 in room 311. Enrolment is limited to sixteen participants.

- Mr. D.

### **NYC Sec 5 Trip:**

Students attending the New York trip, the documents to sign-up to the activities will be going live on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. You will be receiving an e-mail at your EMSB account, with the links to the forms later this week.

### **Harry Potter Trivia Battle**

*What magical creature did Harry use to fly to the ministry of magic in book 5? Where does Charlie study dragons? What is Professor Snape's first name?* If you know the answers to these questions and more, come test your Harry Potter trivia skills at the library's annual Hogwarts House Games! Sign up with Ms. Germain this Thursday and Friday (spaces are limited!). **The Hogwarts House Games will take place after school from 3-4 PM on Friday, October 25 in the Library!** Please speak to Ms. Germain if you have any questions!

### **Penny drops**

Penny drops will begin Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup> during lunch in room 210.

### **Track and Field**

Track and field practice will take place Thursday after school. Make sure to dress appropriately for the weather. We will meet near the foundation gym.

### **CURLING 2024-25- Hurry!-Hard!!**

If you are interested in trying-out or just trying it out, our curling season is fast approaching. Please sign up on the list posted in the Foundation Gym area and take a permission sheet (from the box on the gym office door) that must be signed by your parent/guardian and returned at/before our first on-ice session.

If you have any question please see Mr. Bateman.

### **Pickleball Practices:**

**Juvenile boys** will practice on Wednesday October 30 and Wednesday November 6 at lunch in the memorial gym.

### **Sign up to Light & Sound Club**

We are looking for new members to the Light & Sound Club. Members of the club help make almost every RWA event come alive – BBQs, assemblies, drama productions, musical, and more! We are currently recruiting new members who are responsible, willing to learn, and happy to work on a team. Students from all grade levels are invited to join our team for the rest of the school year. Sign up outside of Room 308 before the end of the day, Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, and we will schedule an interview in the following days.

- J. Magee and C. Northey

### **THEATRE: STAGE MANAGER NEEDED! Sec 3 - 5**

Are you assertive, organized, kind, and confident? Do you have leadership skills you would like to further develop? If so, we would love for you to join us as a stage manager for our performance of Twelfth Night on November 19, 20, and 21. The stage manager will work with the directors, actors, and other crew to ensure a smoothly run performance. If you're interested, please see me in **room 209** and/or email me at [samro@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:samro@emsb.qc.ca) as soon as possible. Attendance at future theatre rehearsals will be required and at least **2 ECA credits** (culture and community) will be offered.

- Ms. Amro

**Electronic Devices – Smart watches are not permitted during school hours**

Personal cell phones and other mobile devices such as **smart watches** and ear buds/headphones must be turned off and must be kept out of sight for the duration of the school day. Cell phones may be used at the office with the consent of a staff member in order to contact a parent/guardian. Students may use cell phones, smart watches, ear buds/headphones in the building before 8:25 AM and after 3:00 PM. Students are not permitted to use cell phones, smart watches, ear buds/headphones while attending remediation, detention hall, or in the school library. (agenda p. 29)

**Volunteers Needed**

Event: Active Learning Classroom – presentation to parents

Location: School Auditorium

Date: Thursday November the 7<sup>th</sup>

Time: 5:00 – 9:00

- Table and chair set up and take down (front hall/auditorium/stage)
- Manning of tables with either information flyers/food/drinks (water/coffee)
- Greeters for front door and auditorium door

Please sign-up with Ms. Di Pietro in room 226 if interested. ½ an ECA credit offered.

**Cafeteria doors**

Please note that the cafeteria inside doors will be locked until 8:45 AM every day. You will not be able to enter the cafeteria from the Easton inside doors.