

***Good afternoon, Royston EI community!***

Here is your week ahead for April 13-17, 2026.



And for those wanting the "quick hits" for the upcoming week:

**School News**

- Reminder – Our school day now ends at 2:10PM. Bus schedules remain the same. Royston still meets the Ministry Requirements for Instructional hours in a school year.
- Track and Field Season began today for Div 7-11. Our Track and Field jamboree will take place on May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Vanier Track- Details to follow in the coming weeks.
- Thanks to Adrien and Doug from Crown Isle for the Intro to Golf Sessions for our Div 1- 6 students today.

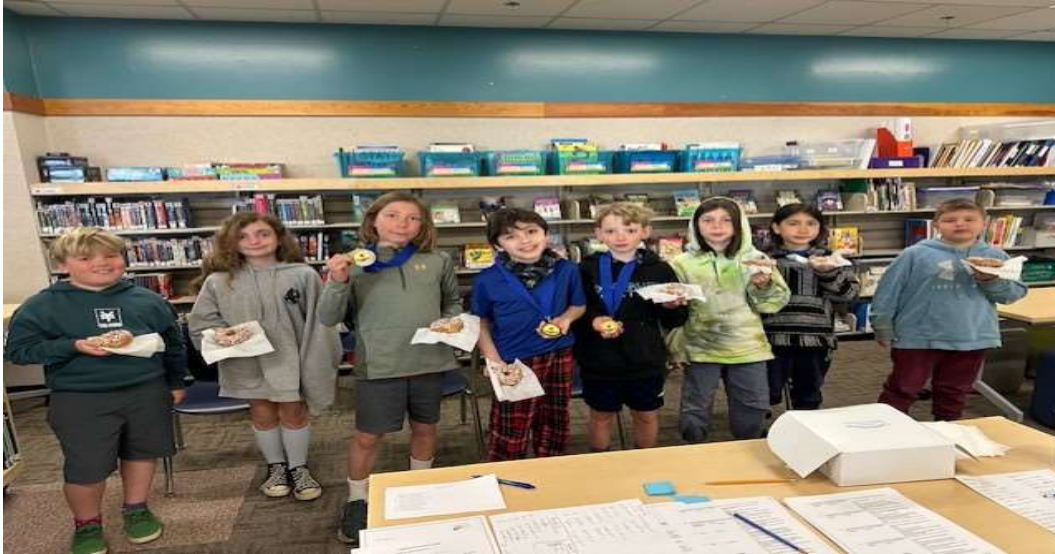




- Poultry in Motion – returns to Royston on Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>. All divisions will have a 30-minute lesson on Chickens and Eggs.
- Lost and Lonely Clothes - Please check the growing rack of Lost and Lonely clothes (See Pics below). Come and claim soon.



- Congrats to our 8 amazing Royston Spelling Bee competitors. 1<sup>st</sup> place Luca Woodfine, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Sebastien Shook and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Charles Maxwell will represent Royston at the District Spelling Bee at Brooklyn Elementary on Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>. Congrats to Bo, Wren, Elio, Kenshin and Clinton for taking part in the competition.



## **PAC News**

- **Next PAC Meeting is April 15th at 630PM - All welcome! Free childcare.**
- **Volunteers make it all happen!**
  - **We have some amazing volunteers for Hot Lunch, special events and fundraising but we're always looking for more help! If you want to be added to our volunteer contact list, please send a note to [roystonelpac@gmail.com](mailto:roystonelpac@gmail.com). THANK YOU!**
- **Fundraising**
  - **Westcoast Seeds Orders are in the office!**
    - **Please pick up ASAP if you haven't already**
  - **Closing soon! Roe's Bouquet Subscription - Pre-order for Mother's Day Gifts!**
    - **Partners and friends- plan ahead and spoil your loved ones by purchasing a beautiful flower arrangement subscription from Roe's Garden!**

- <https://www.theroesgarden.ca/shop/p/royston-elementary-fundraiser-flower-subscriptions>

## **Community News**



**parents together**

Parents Together is an ongoing professionally-facilitated education and group support program for parents to find support and work through the challenges and difficulties of raising teens and pre-teens.

**Wednesdays**  
7:00-9:00pm

**New 9-week Session:  
Starting April 22  
Register today!**

parentingprograms@bgccvi.com  
250-338-7141

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**opportunity changes everything.**



Concerts for the Common Good presents:

**Georgia Strait Big Band**

at St. George's United in Courtenay

\$20 in advance  
(Eventbrite & Laughing Oyster)  
\$25 at door

**Saturday, April 11 @ 2pm**

Proceeds to benefit  
St. George's United Church &  
L'Arche Comox Valley  
[www.stgeorgesunited.com](http://www.stgeorgesunited.com)

<https://georgiastraitbigband.com/>



**TRY RUGBY 2.0**

**Wed, April 15th**

**Lewis Park**  
**5:30-7:00**

- **Flag rugby**
- **Pizza**
- **Prizes**

**non contact**  
NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

grades 3-8

rapidsrugby.ca

- **Community Basketball Opportunities**

- DISTRICT THUNDERBALL LEAGUE begins FRIDAY, APRIL 10th at GP Vanier. The grade 4/5 league is already full, but the girls and boys of grade 6 and 7 still has room for almost 20 more participants each.
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### **Social Emotional Learning**

Friendship is an important and meaningful part of your child's life, especially during the intermediate years. As children grow, their social worlds become more complex, and they may begin to experience conflict, misunderstandings, or feelings of being left out.

Feeling excluded or ostracized can be particularly painful. Children may not always be able to explain what's happening, but you might notice changes in mood, reluctance to go to school, or increased sensitivity.

Help your child navigate friendship challenges by creating a safe space to talk, validating their feelings, helping them understand other perspectives, encouraging problem solving and helping them strengthen their self-confidence.

Remind your child that healthy friendships include setting boundaries, taking accountability, compromising, listening actively, apologizing and forgiving. All friendships have ups and downs, and most disagreements are solvable but if your child is in constant conflict with a friend, it may be time to put that friendship on hold and build a wider friendship circle. Sometimes friends need to take a break from each other to grow and learn and find other friends, and that's ok.

Learning to navigate friendship challenges is a natural and important part of growing up. Through Social-Emotional Learning in the BC curriculum, students are developing the lifelong skills they need to build strong, respectful, and resilient relationships.

*Thank you for partnering with us to support your child's social emotional growth.*



Lee McKillican and Char Siddon 😊

