

Good afternoon, Royston EI community!

Here is your week ahead for May 4-8, 2026.



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

School News

- Royston would like to Welcome Ms. Emma Mossie to the team. Emma will be here at Royston Thursdays and Fridays until the end of the year as a Learning Support Teacher.
- Welcome to K -Tuesday May 5th at 2:45 – 3:45. All new K students and families are welcome and encouraged to come explore the school and meet the team.
- It is Field Trip season. If you are interested in driving or attending any field trips, please make sure you contact our office team early to arrange for Criminal Record Check, Volunteer Drivers abstract, copy of driver's license and insurance. Thank you in advance. We cannot do it without the support of our families.
- Track and Field Jamboree for Div 7-11.
 - Track and Field jamboree will take place on May 6th at the Vanier Track- Permission forms were sent home this past week.
 - Buses depart Royston at 9:00am and return to Royston 1:45
- **Important dates:**
 - May 15th Non-Instructional Day- No school for students
 - June 17th – Beach Day at Airforce Beach – buses leave at 9:00AM
 - June 23rd - Grade 6 leaving ceremony 10:30 – 12:00
 - June 25th – last day of school for students 11:30

- **Lost and Lonely Clothes**



District News

- **School calendars approved and now available online**
 - Comox Valley Schools has approved district school calendars for the next three school years: 2026–2027, 2027–2028 and 2028–2029. The calendars have now been finalized, updated and posted on the district website, along with a helpful FAQ about the calendar development and approval process.
 - Families are encouraged to review the calendars for important dates including the start and end of the school year, holiday breaks and non-instructional days.

- View the calendars and FAQ here: <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/school-calendars-next-three-years/>

PAC News

- **Next PAC Meeting is May 13th at 6:30PM - 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. THANK YOU!**

- **Fundraising**

Fill your freezers for BBQ Season!

- **Gunter Bros Meat Fundraiser** is now open.
 - Order through Hot Lunches: <https://royston.hotlunches.net/admin/>
 - Spread the word to friends & family. We get \$10 from every box of meet sold (\$5 for pepperoni)
- **Closing soon! The Roe's Garden 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>
- **Gut Feelings Sourdough**
 - Get your fresh sourdough or frozen pizza dough while supporting the PAC!
 - Order by Wednesday for Friday delivery: <https://royston-elementary-pac.square.site/>

Community News

- The Comox Valley Volleyball Camp is July 6th-9th this summer. It is for grades 5 and older.
 - Please contact Brian at bdstevens@hotmail.com for more information.
 - Registration forms can be found at the Royston office.
- **Education Planner BC** In collaboration with school district partners and the Career Education Society of B.C., invites parents, families, and student supporters to join our final virtual parent presentation of the school year:
 - Parents as Education and Career Coaches (PECC), with CES
 - Wednesday, May 6, 2026, from 6:30-7:45PM
 - Virtual, hosted on MS Teams. Registration is required.
 - [Register here](#)
 - **Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/educationplannerbc>
 - **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/educationplannerbc>

Social Emotional Learning

Dear Families,

With mental health week coming up, Royston is focusing on how to promote social connection among students. Feeling connected to others—whether friends, family members, or trusted adults—helps kids build confidence, manage stress, and develop a sense of belonging. Positive relationships can reduce feelings of anxiety and loneliness, while also supporting emotional resilience and healthy brain development.

During Mental Health Week, our school will be encouraging social connection at recess by promoting inclusive games and playful activities. Through shared play, laughter, and teamwork, students can strengthen friendships and experience the positive impact of belonging in a fun and supportive environment.

At home, families can support this focus on connection in simple ways. Try setting aside time for a shared activity like a family walk, game, or meal together without

distractions. Even a few minutes of one-on-one time—talking, reading, or checking in about the day—can help children feel valued and supported.

If you have concerns about your child’s mental health, your school counsellor is here to support. Please don’t hesitate to reach out.

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