

Good afternoon, Royston EI community!

Here is your week ahead for June 8- 12, 2026.



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

School News

- **Div.'s 7-11 have Field Trips coming up this week.**
- **Important dates:**
 - June 17th – Beach Day at Airforce Beach – buses leave at 9:00AM
 - June 19th – National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration
 - June 23rd - Grade 6 leaving ceremony 10:30 – 12:00
 - June 25th – last day of school for students 11:30
- **Lost and Lonely Clothes**
 - Please check out the lost and lonely clothes!





District News

School Board Office - Summer Hours

Please be advised that the School Board Office will be closed to the public from July 13 through August 14. During this period, access to the office will be by appointment only.

Important Reminder

Comox Valley RCMP is reminding families that gas-powered dirt bikes and high-powered e-dirt bikes are not street legal and are not permitted on school grounds or for travel to and from school.

Schools across the Comox Valley have seen an increase in students riding these vehicles in unsafe ways near schools, neighbourhoods, roads and pathways. In some cases, students may not realize that e-dirt bikes are treated similarly to gas-powered dirt bikes under the BC Motor Vehicle Act and are subject to significant fines, vehicle impoundment and other penalties.

Comox Valley Schools is asking parents and caregivers to please ensure children are not riding dirt bikes or e-dirt bikes to school or on school property. These vehicles create serious safety concerns for riders, pedestrians, cyclists and other students.

We appreciate families working with us and local RCMP to help keep school communities safe for everyone.

PAC News

- The **PAC Elections and AGM is June 10th at 6:00PM** - All welcome! Free childcare.
 - **NOTE: We need a new Treasurer for next year. Our PAC can't run without this position. If you are interested or know someone who is please reach out to roystonelpac@gmail.com**
- **A HUGE thank you to Char Siddon for sharing so much great advice during our parenting workshop series. We hope to run more workshops in the new school year and if you haven't made it to one yet, I highly recommend you do. Here is a video she shared during our most recent session on Helping Children Navigate Conflict:**
 - https://www.ted.com/talks/becky_kennedy_the_single_most_important_parenting_strategy
- **Fundraising**
 - **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/>
- **Thank you, PAC, for all you contribute to our school. We really could not do it without your ongoing support.**



Community News

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

Highland Senior Boys Volleyball program is proud to announce a YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CLINIC for students grades 5-7. This is not only an opportunity for these young student-athletes to give back to the youth in our community, but also a way to fund-raise for the season.

There will be three 75 minutes sessions held at Highland School from 3:30-4:45.

Organized and planned by Brian Stevens (Teacher at Highland School, 30+ years of coaching experience including Team BC, College, High School, and Club), each athlete will be on their own court with similar age and skilled athletes.

There will be a grade 11/12 senior boy volleyball player on each court leading athletes through:

- Skill development: passing, setting, serving, defense and of course HITTING! Fun Competitions! Game play with small and big sided games! Tons of touches on the ball! Massive amounts of fun!

Dates and times:

Monday, June 15th - 3:30-4:45

Wednesday, June 17th – 3:30-4:45

Monday, June 22nd – 3:00-4:15

Cost: \$15 per session

*You can register for 1,2, or all 3 sessions.

Payment: Please e-transfer Highland School at highland@sd71.bc.ca

******Please put in the NOTES: Highland Senior Boys Volleyball Clinic and Name of Registrant***

- **Comox Valley Volleyball Camp**
 - 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.
- **Dime Valley Basketball Summer Camp**
 - Elementary Hoopers Grade 4-6

- Date: **August 10-13** from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
 - Location: Mark Isfeld Secondary School
 - Cost: \$160
 - Register: <https://www.dimevalleybasketball.ca/summer-camps>
- **Mac Brothers Basketball Camp:** 6-9 year old
 - Date: **July 13-16** from 9:00 - 11:30 am
 - Location: Queneesh Elementary School
 - Cost: \$120
 - Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZf5DxB1ft3VIyoi3jt7r7fVtpvlrfTQ46OUjXeGIpu78Hg/viewform>
 - Contact: macbrosbasketball@gmail.com
 - **Mac Brothers Basketball Camp:** 10-13 year old
 - Date: **July 13-16** from 12:30 - 3:00 pm
 - Location: Mark Isfeld Secondary School
 - Cost: \$120
 - Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZf5DxB1ft3VIyoi3jt7r7fVtpvlrfTQ46OUjXeGIpu78Hg/viewform>
 - Contact: macbrosbasketball@gmail.com
 - **CV/Arts Summer Art Camps**
 CV/Arts is offering three-day Summer Art Camps for youth ages 8–10, 11–13, and 14–18. Led by local artists, these camps provide a welcoming space for hands-on, creative exploration through individual and collaborative artmaking. No experience is required.
 Dates: **July 6–8, July 13–15, August 12–14, August 19–21**
 - Location: Lake Trail Community School
 For more information and to register:
 - <https://comoxvalleyarts.com/programs/art-summer-camp/>

Social Emotional Learning

Dear Royston Families,

At school and at home, children are continually learning how their words and actions impact others. One of the most powerful ways we can support positive relationships is by intentionally teaching and modelling gratitude and respectful communication, including simple phrases like “please” and “thank you”.

These everyday habits may seem small, but they play an important role in helping children build strong social awareness and a sense of belonging within their community.

Gratitude helps children notice the positive things in their lives and recognize the efforts of others. When students practice gratitude, they are more likely to show empathy toward others, build stronger friendships, and develop a positive and resilient mindset.

Using polite language is more than having good manners. It also helps children learn to recognize the feelings and efforts of others and strengthen positive interactions with others.

Practicing gratitude and manners directly supports our work around the BC Core Competencies:

Communication Core Competency: students learn to express appreciation and interact respectfully.

Social Awareness and Responsibility: children become more aware of how their words affect those around them.

Personal Awareness and Responsibility: students develop self-regulation, empathy, and an understanding of their role in building a caring community.

By working together, school and home can help children understand that gratitude and respectful communication are powerful tools for building strong relationships and a positive community.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Lee McKillican and Char Siddon 😊

