

RedHawk Express

Dec 12, 2021



Know better, Do better

This week our school learned together during homeroom about two key concepts that we hope led to more conversations at home. If students missed Homeroom on Wednesday or Friday of this week, I wanted to share the messages with you and give you access to the video files for shared viewing.

1. ***Intent versus Impact*** – a call hosted by Ms. Caitlin Udall. Ms. Udall is a new teacher at Rothesay High this year in our resource department. She comes to us with a depth of experience working in human rights. The key lesson for students is that regardless of our intent when saying or doing something it is the impact of our words or actions that can cause harm. It is worth considering that in a school over well over 600 humans that we need to spend extra time considering our words and actions so that we can make it a safe environment for all. Watch here: <https://youtu.be/FZt9IFxH4PI>
2. ***De-Humanization*** – a call hosted by Mr. Shane Kelbaugh. Mr. Kelbaugh is an RHS alumnus and historian. Mr. Kelbaugh explained how dehumanization is one of the ways that governments and groups have used over time to justify violence and exclusion from society. Many students learn of these concepts in grade 11 history, but we felt strongly that all students could benefit from some learning in this area. Watch here: <https://youtu.be/Q8RHzmXoPXI>

We have also invited some district staff with expertise in equity and anti-racism to visit and teach some of our classes over the coming weeks about the power of our words. We are looking forward to making curriculum connections to the concepts we covered this week and allowing students time for questions and conversations. When we know better, we do better!

Weekly Schedule

Dec. 13 – 17

Mon – GREASE

Tues – GREASE

Wed – GREASE & Twin Day

Thurs – Ugly Sweater Day

Fri – Polar Express Day

Dec. 20-24

Mon – Candy Cane Day

Tues – Entrepreneurship Market & BINGO (P2)

Wed – Formal Wear Day & Cabaret (7-9pm – SOLD OUT)

Thurs – PJ Day & Half Day

Fri – NO SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Monday January 10 –
Back to School

Jan 24 – 28 –
Exam Week

Supporting Your Students @Home

4 school weeks until Assessment Week (Jan 24-28)

Whether your students have traditional exams in their grade 11 or 12 courses, or they have re-assessment to improve understanding in grade 9 & 10 courses now is the time to start getting organised. Here are some questions to ask them:

- **What are you doing during Assessment week in your courses?**
 - Ask about all 5 classes.
 - Ask them if they know how to prepare.
 - Ask them if they are behind on any assignments they can do over the holidays.
- **What does your teacher recommend you do to study?**
 - Encourage them to see their teachers at lunch to ask for preparation hints.
 - Encourage them to message their teacher about what topics they should look at for re-assessment.



Reminders and Celebrations

- **GREASE: THE MUSICAL – TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!**
 - *Shows are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week!*
 - *Show starts at 7:30pm, doors open at 7:00pm.*
 - *Proof of vaccination is required at the door and patrons must be fully always masked.*
 - Please come to the office 9am – 12pm and 2pm – 4pm daily to get tickets for \$15 - there is no doubt they are worth every dollar.
- Thank you to Jennifer Shea and Robert Chapman for making this production possible! I will have a full thank you list next week but these two folks have made GREASE possible – their vision and hard work are infectious!
- **SPORTS Round Up**
 - **Varsity Girls Basketball** won their home tournament this weekend with a hard-fought win over our neighbours KVHS.
 - **Varsity Boys Basketball** are also playing in the finals of our home tournament as we speak, and we are hoping for good news.
 - **Boys Hockey** travelled to Miramichi and competed in the Green & Gold tournament. Going undefeated in the round robin the boys lost in a hard-fought semi-final battle against eventual winners OHS.
- **THANK YOU** to all our hardworking coaches, managers and to our athletic director Kara Johnston for such a great start to the winter sports seasons. RedHawks are certainly Hot to Go but they would not be doing so well without the support and guidance of all their amazing team staffs.

Social Media

Facebook – Search
“Rothesay High School”

Twitter - @RothesayHigh

Instagram –
@rothesayhigh_athletics
@reggietheredhawk

Other Account to Follow.
Twitter - @ASD_South

A Quick Look Ahead at a Busy Month!



Homeroom Competitions - Food Drive & Door Decorating

Community Minded Activities – Purple Day for the prevention of Domestic Violence & Food Drive

Rothesay High Traditions – BINGO, Christmas CAB (Cabaret a.k.a. a formal dance)

Our first Post-Covid Musical – GREASE! Tickets on sale this week for the matinee.