GRAD 2025

Dear Grads and Families of Grads,

This will be an exciting final year for you! We have many things planned and want you to be aware of what to expect and how to get involved. Here is a list of dates for the events scheduled for this year.

Be in the Know!

- 1. Be sure to check your email!
- 2. Watch for notifications on the Grad 2025 Teams page.
- 3. Join Grad Council be a member to get information and have input! Meetings will take place at lunch on Tuesdays.
- 4. Listen for the morning announcements at school!

<u>Grad Fees</u>

Grad Fees this year are \$65. This fee goes towards the ceremony, grad gown purchase, grad related school events, etc. This is a mandatory fee to participate in events. Please pay this in a timely manner.

Grad Cruise

Wednesday, September 25th

Start time: Grads will need to be at the school by 3:30 pm (note: PLC Day!) **End time:** Event ends at 10:00 pm at the school

<u>Tickets will be on sale Sept. 5th to 13th</u>. The ticket price is \$135 and can be purchased on School Cash Online. Ticket price includes MANDATORY bus transportation to and from the school, dinner, unlimited soft drinks, DJ and dance. Tickets are not transferable and there are <u>no refunds after Sept. 15th</u>. This is a REMSS Grad only event – <u>no guests allowed</u>. Students MUST bring photo ID at the time of check-in.

This year there will be TWO BOATS. Grads will be given the opportunity to **sign-up for a bus**. Buses will be randomly selected to go on either boat. <u>Everyone on the same</u> <u>bus will go to the same boat</u>. There will be more details about this coming next week.

<u>Grad Hoodie</u>

Grad hoodies may be purchased if you choose. Please see our school website on the Pay Fees >School Cash Online page.

<u>Grad Yearbook Comments</u> Due mid-November

A separate letter will be emailed with requirements and restrictions. Start thinking about what you might want to say. Stay tuned!

Grad Photos

November 5th - 22nd

Appointments will be booked online. More details to come.

Snowball Dance

Thursday, December 12th, 2024

This is a semi-formal dance held in our school's gallery for REMSS grade 11 and 12 students. Tickets will go on sale mid-November. More details to come closer to the event!

Red Carpet Walk and Family Gala REMSS Friday, June 20th, 2025 3:45 – 4:45 pm

This is a free event. Grads will walk alone, in pairs or small groups along a red carpet while family and friends watch and celebrate our Grads of 2025. This will be followed by a reception in our beautiful gallery space as well as outside for people to mingle and take pictures. The gala will end with one group picture of the grad class before the grads head to security and the bus for their dance.

DINNER DANCE

Aria Convention Centre Friday, June 20th 2025 6:00-11:00 pm Approximately \$130.00 per person Tickets will go on sale in May, details to follow in the spring.

GRAD WALK

Date: TBD

(tentative date is Monday, June 23rd)

Willoughby Slope Elementary and Middle schools

The Grad Walk involves having students dress in full regalia and return to their previous elementary/middle schools to walk through the hallways as they are congratulated by the younger students and their former teachers. The process usually ends with some fun pictures of the Grads on the playground equipment. Students will then walk or be bused back to REMSS.

GRAD CEREMONY

Tuesday, June 24th, 2025, 5:30 pm Langley Events Centre Grads need to arrive at the venue by 4:45 pm.

All Grads must complete a brief comment to be read when they cross the stage to get their diploma. It will be emailed in the spring and must be submitted by April 18th. <u>All Grads must complete a Grad Gown order form when it is released late November.</u>

There will be a more detailed letter going out to grads and families in the spring explaining the process for the June events.

Kindly,

The Grad Committee