

SECOND ST. **COMMUNITY SCHOOL** **NEWSLETTER** **FEBRUARY 2024**

For the Family of Schools:

Second Street, Ecole Armstrong, Ecole Cariboo Hill

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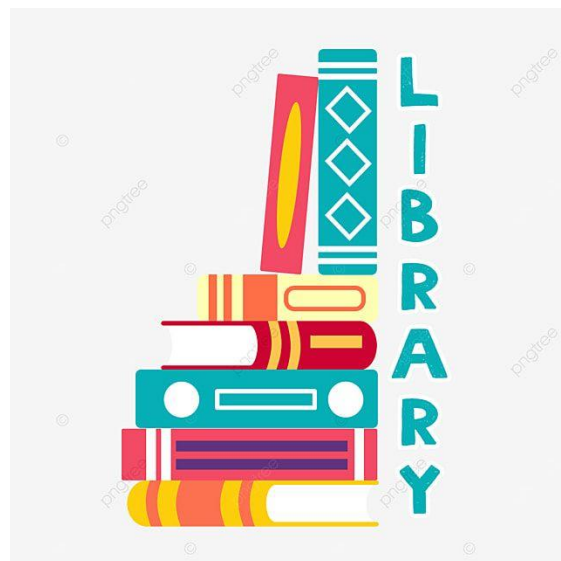
A Note from the Community Office

The Burnaby Public Library – So Much More Than Books!!!

This week is Literacy Week, and we had the pleasure of having Alex Anaya-Paiero, the Children's Librarian from the Tommy Douglas Library at Edmonds and Kingsway, as our special guest at our CommuniTEA Time this week. He told us about the amazing programs, resources and events at the Public Library, and we were blown away by the richness of what is there, and the kinds of services the library provides.

THE LIBRARY HAS ...

- 📖 Free use of computers
- 📖 Comfy spots to curl up with a great book
- 📖 Free printing up to \$5/month – colour or B/W
- 📖 Family Board Game Nights
- 📖 A Teen Advisory Board
- 📖 Spring Break and holiday programs
- 📖 Adult programs
- 📖 A teen-only room! For homework, games, connecting.
- 📖 English Conversation Circles
- 📖 Digital Art programs
- 📖 A Book Club
- 📖 Storytimes **AND MORE!**



YOU CAN BORROW....

- 📖 Books, of course!
- 📖 Kids, teen and adult books in several languages
- 📖 WIFI Hotspots
- 📖 Birding Backpacks
- 📖 Light therapy lamps
- 📖 Tech toys like Spero & Makey-Makey AND MORE!

AND...

All programs are FREE!

You can borrow items for 28 days!

No late fees!

Automatic renewals (if no one else has requested item)!

Also, one-on-one appointments are available if you call, or go into the branch, and arrange. A librarian could help you with a specific technology issue, or set of resources, for example. Looking for parenting resources? Tips to talk to your kids about grief? How to handle screen time? How to attach documents to emails? What to put on a resume?

Have a library card yet? If not, head on in!

Please go to their wonderful website for current information on programs and happenings. Our public libraries are such a great resource. If you haven't been for a while, head in and hang out. There is something for the whole family. Here is a link to their website:

<https://www.bpl.bc.ca/>

WE LOVE THE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

Together Strong,

Gayle Beavil

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All parents and community members are welcome to join Community School Coordinator, Gayle Beavil, at

"CommuniTEA TIME"
Guest Speaker Session:
How do we parent when we are *exhausted*?
with
Sahar Sanai
Non-Violent Communication Facilitator



Wednesday, February 21, 2024
9:00 am – 10:30 am
In the Second Street Community Room

Join us to share stories and solutions, and to gain some tips on what works – for our kids AND for us.

Coffee and light snacks will be provided.
Toddlers are welcome.

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."
Coretta Scott King

FAMILY DAY WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

6-12 YEARS

12-17 YEARS

GROWING TOGETHER

Explore your family heritage with arts and crafts and piece together your family tree. Bring your family pictures and history for extra personal touch!

WHEN
Sunday, February 18
1:30 – 5:30 PM

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LEARNING

SPARKS OF UNITY

Youth and parents team up for a chance to win **\$100, \$50, or \$25 cash prize**. Build a fun buzz wire maze and solve it as quickly as you can (instruction and tools will be provided).

WHERE
Port Royal (Multipurpose 2)
Queensborough Community Centre


NEW WESTMINSTER



ADAPTED TINY TIKES

1 - 5 years \$2.00

Together, children and parents can interact with others, explore and play with a variety of developmentally age appropriate equipment & toys. Children are free, adult \$2 for this drop-in program. Some of the fun activities to spark your child's interests will include ride-on toys, climbers, soccer, basketball and floor hockey. **This playgroup is designed for children with multi-sensory needs and will include sensory items, a smaller space.** Staff will be on hand to support play.

Mondays 2:00pm-3:30pm
Beginning January 8th
Christine Sinclair Community Centre
\$2 drop-in / adult

Both adult and child must register at the front counter
Schedule subject to change

Children must be accompanied by at least one participating adult.
Pre mobile infants are welcome if they are in a stroller or carrier.

Register at Burnaby.ca/webreg
Call 604-320-2222 or visit any Burnaby recreation centre





**PARENT
LEARNING
EVENT 2024**



**BURNABY
FAMILY LIFE**
A PLACE TO GO... A PLACE TO GROW!

Building Meaningful Connections with our Children



 **February 24, 2024 9:00am - 1:00pm**

 **Burnaby Mountain Secondary**

Join us for PLE 2024, a half-day workshop to explore real-world approaches to building meaningful connections with your child.

-  Perspectives from youth, children, and parents
-  Insights from contemporary research on child development
-  A family-focused approach centered in empathy and compassion



In this technology driven and fast paced world, if you find it harder to make those moments of genuine connection with your child this event is for you!

Free Childminding available for children
from 2 years to 10 years!
(Limited spots available)

Healthy Nutritious Breakfast will be
served!

Subsidies available
1/2 price tickets through January 31st.

Tickets
\$15



Workshop led by:

Susan Montabello, Adjunct Professor SFU, Educator and Administrator
with more than 25 years of experience working in Burnaby Schools
Noam Samet, Safe School's Specialist - Burnaby School District

Learn more or register today:

<https://www.burnabyfamilylife.org/parent-learning-event>