

## What is Literacy Day?

Family Literacy Day, held annually on January 27, was developed by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 to celebrate adults and children reading and learning together, and to encourage Canadian families to spend at least 15 minutes a day enjoying a learning activity together.

## What is family literacy?

Family literacy focuses on parents as the means to improve the reading and writing skills of all family members. By reading to children and engaging in fun literacy activities, parents are actively keeping their own skills sharp, while at the same time strengthening the relationship between the family. This, in turn, encourages lifelong learning. Family Literacy Day can be celebrated by simply setting aside 15 minutes of family time to read, play a game, write a letter, or even follow a recipe together. We are posting ideas that families can access at the main foyer. Please check there to see what you can do at home.





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On Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating our love of literacy in the following way:

9:00 – 11:00 – All school story creation. Each class will be contributing to a story throughout the morning that starts with the writing prompt: "The students arrived at Caronport Elementary School one morning to find....." We will be meeting in the gym at 11:15 to hear the story in its entirety. Who knows what crazy things will happen with this fun, open-ended activity!

1:00 – 2:05 - Board Office partners coming to read their favourite book to the students. Our director, Tony Baldwin, superintendents Lori Meyer and Darran Teneycke, coordinator, Warren Marcotte, Psychologist, Jenn Osberg and Speech and Language Pathologist Barry Raymond will be at the school reading in the classrooms.

2:25 – 3:25 – Ron de Jager's class will perform Reader's Theatre for our students to enjoy.

Parents are welcome to hear the story at 11:15 in the gym or attend any of the afternoon events!

