Strathcona Library Weekly News

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### Dear students and families.

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In light of the recent injustice and racist violence, I believe we all have roles to play in the anti-racist education of our young people. Several people have asked me for books to help them speak with children about racism. I have put together a few lists that may be helpful.

I looked for books that may be useful and appropriate for discussing racism with young people, but as a Chinese Canadian, I have a limited lens and cannot know what would be best for your particular family. If you would like to discuss these or other books, or if you have suggestions of books you would like to see in the school library, please contact me, at jhong@vsb.bc.ca or call the school.

This is a short visual list of Anti-Racist Children's Books that we have in Strathcona School Library. Here are two lists of books we currently have in the school library:

#### Anti-Racist Children's Lit We Need Diverse Books

To find these lists on the Strathcona Library Catalogue:

- 1. https://library.vsb.bc.ca/
- select Lord Strathcona
  Log in using your student # and password
- 4. select Resource Lists (left)
- 5. scroll to bottom
- 6. select Anti-Racist Children's Lit or We Need Diverse Books

In solidarity,

Jen Hong

# **Epic Reads**

I've set up my top Epic picks in collections on Epic. The links below should take you to the collection. If your class is not using Epic, send me an email <u>ihong@vsb.bc.ca</u> and I'll add you to the library class.



**Click here for Epic Reads Intermediate** 

Click here for Epic Reads Primary



Click here for Epic Reads French



Epic books for Asian Heritage Month

## Returning library books

Please return all library books using these two methods:

- Students returning to school can use the library return slot (beside library doors)
- A bin outside by the lunch pick up

Please note, families are not allowed in the school unless you have made an appointment with Janine or Jason.

# Strathcona Restart Video

Are you wondering what Strathcona is like in these Covid times? Check out the Strathcona Restart video

## Free Digital Books

Vancouver Public Library

Multilingual including 5 Indigenous languages, English, French and Spanish.

printable.

#### <u>Starfall</u>

free 4 month code.

### Raz Kids & Headsprout

Tumblebooks

Epic Books free until June 30 through your

# Special Guest Reader!

Join Mme. Bronwen as she reads *The Ickabog*, J. K.Rowling's latest book.

The Ickabog Chapter 1 & 2 The Ickabog Chapter 3 & 4 The Ickabog Chapter 5 & 6 The Ickabog Chapter 7 & 8 The Ickabog Chapter 9 & 10

### VSB Digital Library Free databases

library.vsb.bc.ca

Select: Lord Strathcona

Login using your student number and password

TIP: do <u>NOT</u>use #@learn.vsb.bc.ca

### Minecraft Trivia Kahoot Challenge!

Thank you for participating in the Minecraft Kahoot Challenge! Over 100 people played the trivia games.



# Anti-Racist Children's Literature

Here are four graphic novels for Intermediate students that explore race, racism, and speak of the experiences of BIPOC people in Canada and the U.S. All are #ownvoices books: authored by a person from an under-represented group writing about their own experiences or from their own perspective









# StoryTime

Join me for Storytime – where I read aloud some of my favourite picture books. <u>Gerri reads Where the Wild Things Are</u> <u>Mr. Eng reads Polar Bear's Underwear</u> <u>StoryTime with Claudia – Little Bird's Bad Word</u> <u>Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox</u> <u>C-3PO Does Not Like Sand</u> <u>Birdsong</u> <u>Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao</u>

## We Miss You Video

Dear Strathcona Dragons, the staff have some messages for you...

# Mme. Hong vous raconte une histoire

<u>Mme, Annie vous raconte une histoire</u> <u>Chat Noir et Chat Blanc</u> by Claire Garralon <u>Un Renard</u> par Kate Read

# BookTalks

Join me for BookTalk – where I review and recommend recently read novels and graphic novels. <u>White Bird</u> <u>BookTalk: Endling the Last</u> <u>El Deafo</u>