



Weekly Update from Cinnabar Valley Elementary School

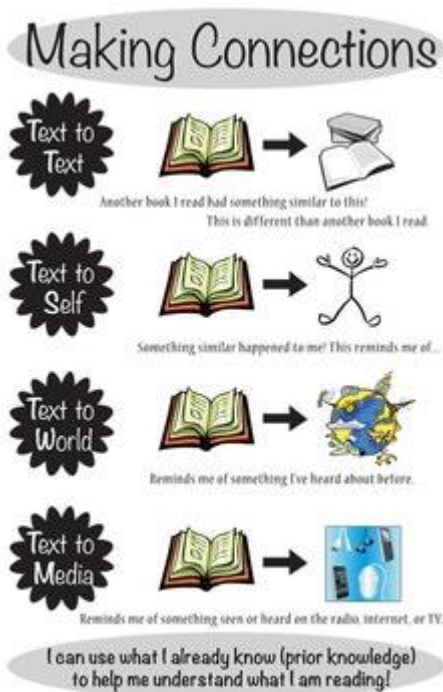


January 19, 2018

Making Connections – School Goals for 2017-2018

The School Goal for Cinnabar this year focuses on helping students develop their Core Competencies so that they are better able to make connections in all areas – academic and personal/social development. Our reading data shows us that while our students have considerable strength in understanding or comprehending what they read at a literal level, they have more difficulty going deeper with their thinking.

We are using common strategies to teach consistent language in all grades, as making connections is not subject specific! These diagrams will help explain what we are doing (and not doing ... I just could not resist!)



Not this:

"Text to text, text to self, text to world... Leave it to school to take the fun out of texting."

MUD!

The mud is back! Please remember to send extra clothes as our grounds area gets very muddy! Your children thank you – and so do we!

Soccer Goal Post

Huge thank you to our senior students who noticed and reported that one of the posts for the soccer net was cracked and unsafe. The District grounds crew attended the school quickly and removed the damage post. We ask that students are extra cautious in this area, as it is much harder to notice the single post that is remaining the ground. We anticipate that there will be a new post installed quickly and that soccer will be able to continue on both ends of the school field.

BUSSES – MONDAY AND FRIDAY MORNING

Please note that busses will be arriving near the start of the school day on Monday and Friday next week (Jan 22 and Jan 26). We kindly ask that parents keep the parking lot clear so that the busses can get in.



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Month End Assembly – Friday January 26

Mrs. Edward’s grade ¾ class will be sharing their talent (very secret talent so far!) at the Month End Assembly on Friday. Our virtue for the month has been perseverance! Please join us at 11:00 am in the gym.

Calendar Updates January 22-26

Grade 4’s to Symphony	Monday January 22
Swim to Survive for Grade 3’s	Tuesday January 23
Skating Div 1 and 2	Friday January 26
Month End Assembly	Friday January 26
No Hot lunch!	Friday January 26

Picture books that make connections to our virtue of perseverance:





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Family Literacy Week 2018

Vancouver Island Regional Library

The Nanaimo Harbourfront branch of Vancouver Island Regional Library invites children and their families to join us for Family Literacy Week. We have some literacy-themed events and activities planned. This week isn't just about reading books (as awesome as books are), but all types of literacies, including technology and science.

Where: 90 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC | **When:** January 23 – 27, 2018

Events:

Lego Club

January 23rd, 3-4pm

We provide LEGO and you provide the imagination. Best suited for kids ages 6-12 years but anyone old enough to resist eating LEGO is welcome.

Breakout Challenge: Dr. Seuss' Oh The Places You'll Go!

January 23rd, 6pm

Can you find clues and solve puzzles to break out of our Dr. Seuss-themed escape room? Suitable for children ages 5-10. Parents welcome. **Register** for this Family Literacy Week event at 250-753-1154 ext. 238 or email NanaimoHarbourfront@virl.bc.ca

Make a Game with Boxels

January 25th, 5:30pm

Boxels let you build your own videogames. You don't need to learn fancy code or have cutting edge equipment. Just bring your imagination and we will help with and provide the rest.

Plug and Play Café

January 26th, 2:30 – 4:30pm

Explore circuitry, programming and digital storytelling through play. We have littleBits, Snap Circuits, Spheros, Boxels, and a green screen. Suitable for ages 6 – 12 years.

Children's Puppet Show

January 27th, 12 – 12:45pm

Join us for a story of adventure, intrigue, and humour featuring a wonderful cast of puppets. Suitable for ages 3 – 8 years.

For more information, call, email, or visit the Nanaimo Harbourfront branch of Vancouver Island Regional Library at 250-753-1154 or NanaimoHarbourfront@virl.bc.ca