

Literacy Week, January 2025

Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30	Friday 31
<p>Kick-Off Assembly (9:00 am)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reader's Theatre ○ Review the week (each day, Masked Reader, Selfie/Shelfie contest, Bookmark Design, etc...) ○ SFU Bball players will be here to promote reading and will join classes afterwards for reading in their classrooms. 	<p>Dress as Favourite Character/Wear Words</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Classes are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character or wear words. ○ Buddy Classes to get together to show off their costumes 	<p>Guest Reader Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Once we've confirmed our guest readers, we'll put out a schedule for them to visit classes to read. 	<p>Trivia Challenge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Rowe will be making up trivia for classes (likely primary & intermediate). ○ A link will be shared with staff to run trivia in classes when convenient 	<p>Drop Everything & Read Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4 times during the day (READ). Wait for announcements ○ R = Rest & Read ○ E = Eat & Read (10:25) ○ A = Ally & Read with a friend ○ D = Dark & Read
<p>ALL WEEK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masked Reader <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A secret masked/disguised staff member is going to videotape themselves reading a book. ● The video will be made available to all classrooms to submit a guess as to who the masked reader is ● At the end of the week, we'll tally the winning classroom for a prize (TBD) ● Bookmark design <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teachers will be provided bookmark templates and students will be invited to design their own bookmarks ● Designs need to be submitted to Ms. Mitchell by Thursday @ lunch and then judges will decide the top 10 designs ● Ms. Mitchell will then get these printed and laminated, and the winning "bookmarkers" will receive a large number of their bookmarks to hand out to those they please ● Match the selfie with the shelfie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Rudolph will be inviting interested staff to take a picture of one of their bookshelves (home or school) ● Students will be invited to guess the "shelfie" that matches the picture of the staff "selfie" ● No Media Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● See information on back 				
<p>OPTIONAL EXTRA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decorate your bulletin board with a literacy theme! 				

Literacy Week Challenge!

NO MEDIA WEEK

9:00 a.m., Monday, Jan. 27th – 9:00 a.m., Monday, February 3rd



The average Canadian child spends more than 3 hours per day in front of a screen. In fact, only about 10% of preschool kiddos meet screen time guidelines of less than 1 hour per day.

As you might guess, much of that is “passive” viewing so as part of Literacy Week at Stoney Creek, we’d like to challenge every student to **go without PASSIVE media from 9:00 a.m., Monday, Jan. 27th – 9:00 a.m., Monday, February 3rd ...a WHOLE WEEK.**

We want students to avoid watching television/videos, playing video games, or using social media apps, and instead, read a book, write a story, browse magazine articles, or play a board game as a family (often there is reading involved and a lot of talking).

Now I’m sure many of you are wondering things like, “Can they use an eReader or an iPad to read a book?” or “Can they play a phonics game on the computer?” or other similar questions. That is parent’s discretion, you decide. The goal is to avoid “**passive**” activities such as watching T.V. and in place of this, promote reading, writing, and oral language.

Those students that **sign the pledge below** are committing to doing what’s outlined above. If they are successful (as monitored by parents), we are asking parents to **sign the form below on Monday, Feb. 3rd, and have your child return the form to the school to be entered into a draw.**



All students who are successful at this challenge will have their **names entered in a draw to win lunch with Mr. Gurney in his office during the week of Feb. 3rd (specific date TBD).** The **4 lucky students** drawn will get to **decide on the special lunch and have Mr. Gurney as their personal waiter.**

So...turn off the TV & turn on the possibilities.

K. Gurney (Principal)

Sign the pledge & return February 3rd if successful

I, _____, from Div. ___ commit to no “media” as part of the Literacy Challenge
(student name)

I hereby declare that the student named above was successful at meeting Stoney Creek’s Literacy Challenge.



(Parent Signature)

Comments? _____
