



Ellendale Elementary School

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Hello Families of our 3 and 4 year olds,

Ready, Set, Learn is all about fostering positive connections between families, the school system and local community agencies with the intent of supporting children's transitions into school. As with many schools this Spring, we have not had the opportunity to host our Ready, Set, Learn event due to the pandemic. Ready, Set, Learn is a BC government initiative, which supports the 3 and 4 year olds in our communities. In lieu of our cancelled event, we have planned a modified virtual event including district and provincial links below by providing some activities, resources and a list of community partners. Here is the link to Ellendale's Ready, Set, Learn virtual event on the sway platform: <https://sway.office.com/OfkJRhDK1U3Biv5Y?ref=Link>

The RSL book that has been provided this year is called "You and Me Together" which is a charming, heartwarming book by Barbara Kerley about parent and child togetherness worldwide. It is illustrated with gorgeous imagery from National Geographic's stunning archive capturing the universal bond between children and parents across many cultures within our world. Please call the school at 604-584-4754 or email ellendale@surreyschools.ca to pick up a copy of the book from the school.

Thank you for taking the time to see our virtual Ready Set Learn event. We look forward to welcoming your child when the time comes for them to enter Kindergarten. Please feel free to share this email with any neighbouring families you know who have a 3 and/or 4 year old.

Best Regards,

Ms. Caroline Matthews
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Please click on this link and the ones following from the district surreyschoolsone.ca that provides parents with activities to support learning at home.

Literacy Activities:

- [Drawing and Writing at Home](#)
- [Read the Pictures](#)
- [I Spy](#)
- [Listening and Noticing Walk](#)

Numeracy Activities:

- [Set the Table](#)
- [Count the Laundry](#)
- [Heavier or Lighter](#)
- [Shapes on Point](#)

Social Emotional Learning Activities:

- [If You're Happy and You Know It](#)
- [Bubbles](#)
- [Engage](#)
- [We Like Routines](#)

Other videos you may wish to view:

Mrs. Mac (StrongStart Teacher) – Makes [Playdough - \(Playdough Recipe\)](#)

Monique Grey Smith – [You Hold me Up](#)

Charlotte Diamond - [Wash your Hands](#)

Community Partners that are providing virtual learning opportunities:

- [Surrey Libraries](#): Providing storytime from home, fun resources for kids, ebooks and more!
- [Surrey Art Gallery](#): Providing virtual tours of the gallery, online art lessons, and more!

- [Child Care Options Resource and Referral](#): group chats, meditation sessions, and children's stories and songs via zoom.
- [Options-First Steps](#): support for refugee families, translation and supports for families.

Resources to support Play (attached):

- Play Today – This handbook is a guide to support high quality, play-based learning experiences in the early years.
- Let's Play - The activities in this book are intended to support children and caregivers/families to play and explore together at home.