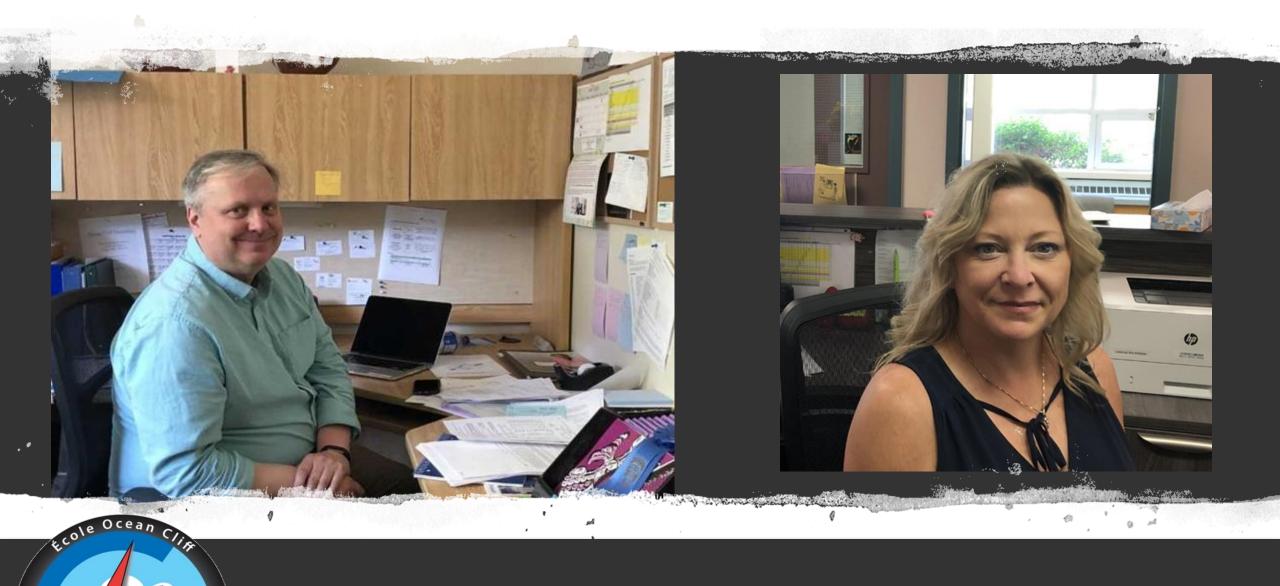






Welcome to our school!



Andrew Zadeiks, Principal Michelle Bouchard, Head Secretary



Meet the Teachers!





Mrs. Ashley



Mrs. Myers



Mrs. McCue



Mrs. Smith

Ocean Cliff Elementary

At this time <u>Ready, Set, Learn</u> events are virtual rather than in person. We understand the importance of connection between the families, the school and the community. We have created this document as a modified way to help families prepare for school and connect in the community.

For more information about Kindergarten Registration at Ocean Cliff Elementary please call: 604-538-1770.

This document is provided for you in order to give you ideas on how to support your child in their learning journey. Some key ideas are:



















Key Messages

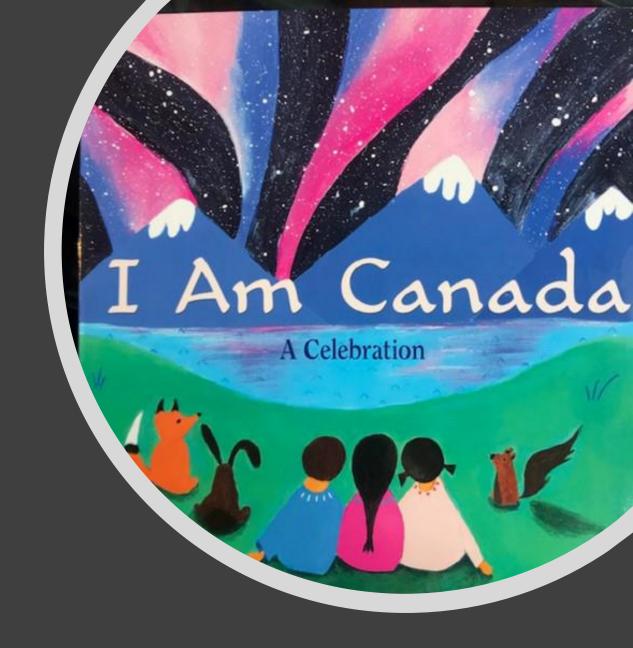
(Early Learning Framework 2019)

- Families are the most important teacher
- Children are strong, capable and full of potential
- Play is integral to well-being and learning

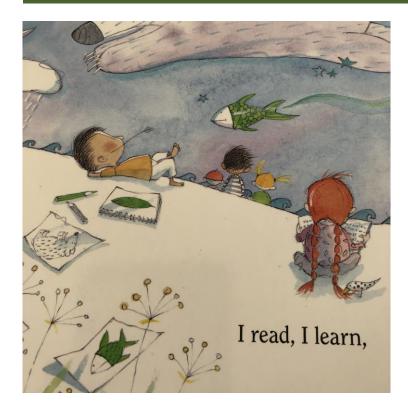
RSL Book

"I read, I learn, I draw, I dream. I am free, I am Canada."

By Heather Patterson and 13 Canadian Illustrators



Talk and Read Together





- Talk, talk, talk
- Ask questions
- Read books together
- Engage in oral storytelling
- Use natural materials to create stories
- Explore virtual experiences at <u>Surrey Libraries</u>



Print in Your Environment

- Notice letters in nature
- Ask your child to identify the letters of their name within the environment
- Have your child build their name with stones or sticks
- Help your child to read familiar words in their environment (e.g. STOP signs, logos, product packaging)

Enjoy Dramatic Play Indoors and Outside





- Build castles with sand, sticks, rocks and shells
- Create forts with blankets, boxes, tents
- Design a garden shop with old crates, boxes and plants
- Create a fairy garden
- Play in puddles



Explore Numeracy Concepts With Nature

- Compare and sort items found in nature by colour, size, or shape
- Count using dice and sticks
- Find collections of objects (shells, rocks) and count how many
- Notice shapes on a nature walk
- Make patterns with leaves, rocks, or sticks

Encourage Imagination and Creativity





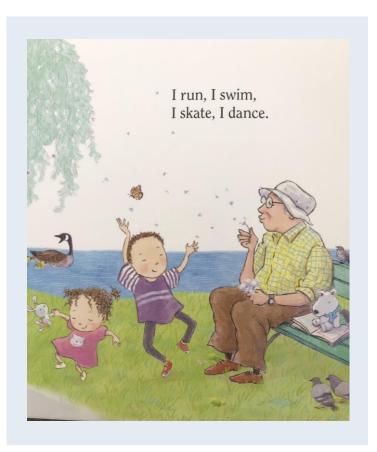
- Create works of art with mud and water
- Provide open ended materials such as sticks, rocks, cardboard tubes, and popsicle sticks to build and create
- Make music with pots, pans, buckets, spoons
- Explore virtual experiences at Surrey Art Gallery



Encourage Wonder with Science

- Encourage your child to sit and notice the environment around them
- Explore bugs, worms and insects in nature
- Discuss weather changes and seasons
- Encourage your child to observe, ask questions and wonder
- Explore books with scientific concepts
- Plant a garden and observe plant growth and changes
- Explore virtual learning opportunities at <u>Science</u> <u>World</u> or <u>Surrey Nature Centre</u>

Enjoy Movement and Music





- Run and play outdoors in the forest, the park, or the playground
- Play in the snow, the rain and the puddles
- Play hide and seek or other outdoor games
- Create a dance to your favourite music
- Enjoy music from around the world
- Create instruments out of shoe boxes, buckets, spoons, cardboard tubes
 & recycled materials



I am Canada



Well-Being and Belonging

- Celebrate your culture, traditions and family stories
- Embrace opportunities to be outdoors and engage in the world around you
- Encourage your child to take risks like climbing on the playground or trying something new to build confidence and a sense of safety/security
- Play games that practice turn taking, following directions and sharing
- Create "just for you" rocks/messages that can be kept in a special place
- Praise your child when they use their words to express their feelings



Fine Motor Skills

- Make and create with playdough (roll & squish)
- Use pinecones, shells, and stones for making prints in your playdough
- Thread beads onto pipe cleaners
- Make a pasta necklace
- Encourage experimentation with pencils, scissors, and chalk
- Dig for worms
- Use tweezers to plant seeds in gardens



Healthy Living

- Eat together, talk together, and make mealtime a family time
- Use <u>Canada's Food Guide</u> to make healthy food choices
- Little ones need lots of sleep, usually 10-12 hours a night
- Limit screen time throughout the day but particularly before bed to ensure a restful sleep
- Visit <u>Live5210</u> for more ideas to support healthy living



- Surrey Libraries
- Early Years HUB
- Fraser Regional Friendship Centre Association (FRAFCA)
- First Steps Early Years Refugee Program
- Child Care Options Resource and Referral





Additional Information For Families

<u>Early Learning Framework – A Guide for Families</u>

<u>Let's Play – Activities for Families</u>

First Peoples Principles of Learning

<u>Surreyschoolsone.ca</u> - For ideas to support learning at home (StrongStart)

