

# STRONGSTART BC

## Early Learning Centers

### StrongStart Closures

Feb 16 – Family Day  
Feb 17 - Non-Instructional day

Coming up in March: StrongStart programs will close for Spring Break from **March 16 to 27, 2026**

Children’s stories are at the heart of how we understand learning. When they share their experiences with materials—whether indoors or outdoors—they turn everyday moments into meaningful discoveries. These stories guide our work as educators, and they also grow richer when shared alongside caregivers, whose presence and insights add depth to the learning process.



One example currently unfolding in our programs is a long-term exploration of pinecones. What began in the fall has grown into an interdisciplinary journey that continues to evolve. Together, children, educators, and caregivers collected pinecones, examined their shapes, measured and sorted them, learned about different types of cones, looked inside for seeds, and experimented with water and other natural elements to see how pinecones respond. This single thread of curiosity has woven together math, science, literacy, art, and outdoor learning.

When a child begins to understand how a pinecone becomes a tree, they are also exploring ideas about water, soil, growth, and the emotions that come with asking questions and making discoveries. And when caregivers join in—listening, wondering, sharing knowledge—the learning becomes even more meaningful. It becomes a shared process, one that honors children’s curiosity and strengthens the connection between home and school.



### Upcoming events you won't want to miss:

**Connaught Heights StrongStart**  
Feb 4 CCRR consultant  
Feb 13 NWPL  
Feb 18 Kinsight IDP

**Queensborough StrongStart**  
Feb 4 Kinsight IDP  
Feb 19 PH Dental Clinic

**Skwo: wech StrongStart**  
Feb 2 NWPL  
Feb 9 Kinsight SCDP  
Feb 11 CCRR consultant  
Every Monday Story time with Ms. Su

