

STRONGSTART BC

Early Learning Centers

StrongStart Closures

All StrongStart programs are closed for Spring Break
from March 16 to 27, 2026

Coming up in April:

- April 3- Good Friday
- April 6- Easter Monday
- April 27- Non- Instructional Day

Early Literacy When we talk about early literacy, we're talking about what children learn before they can fully read and write. Talking and storytelling is where literacy begins. Before starting school, your child begins to build their first literacy skills that are essential for their success in school and beyond. As a parent, here are a few ideas you may try at home:

- Talk to your child – right from birth, have conversations and ask them questions.
- Read to your child – bedtime stories count!
- Have books and audiobooks in your home – the public library is a great resource for free books and audiobooks.
- Ask your child questions about the books they are reading or listening to – this builds their understanding.
- Encourage your child to tell you stories – spoken language is the start of learning to read and write.
- Play together – play is how kids explore new ideas and learn. Find ideas and activities in the Let's Play: Activities for Families
- Have letter and number toys and games at home – puzzles, magnets, and board games are fun ways to expose kids to letters, words, and numbers.
- Play with rhymes – rhyming books and games help kids learn the sounds of language.
- Sing together – songs are a fun way to learn language.
- Have your child draw, craft, or play with playdough – before your child can form letters, their hands need to be strong, and these activities can help!
- Point out words in their environment – on signs, packages, clothing, or toys.
- Label items at home – the more words kids see, the stronger their vocabulary becomes.
- Share new words – it's not just big--it's also huge, giant, or massive!

Upcoming events you won't want to miss:

Connaught Heights StrongStart

March 10 PH Dental Clinic
March 11 Kinsight IDP
March 13 NWPL
April 17 NWPL
April 23 Kinsight IDP

Queensborough StrongStart

Mar 6 Kinsight IDP
Mar 11 NWPL

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Mar 4 Kinsight SCDP
Mar 30 NWPL
Every Monday Story time with Ms. Su

Let's Play! Activities for families:



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