Ready, Set, Learn! 2010-2011

An early learning initiative that aims to welcome three year olds and their families to the school system and begin to build positive, collaborative relationships and links to community resources.



Ready, Set, Learn Options:

- Host an Open House for your zone
- Create your own Open House event
- Choose a District Program
- Create your own Program

Zonal Open House Event

Each zone will host two ONE TIME events before May 1st, 2011. Events will be organized and facilitated by Early Learning district staff, including:

- Coordination of activities and community partnerships
- All required materials, supplies and healthy snacks
- Advertisement of event/open house in local newspaper and district website
- Coordination of Early Learning Facilitator and student volunteers for set up and clean up of event activities

Schools wishing to host an Open House Event for their zone, please contact <u>Angela.Meredith@sd41.bc.ca</u> before December 6, 2010.

Program Options:

All schools have a choice of hosting an eight session SERIES for young children and their families.

1. Songs and Rhymes

Discover the pleasure and power of using rhymes, songs and storytelling together.

2. Wiggles and Giggles

Explore the joy of play through engagement with music making and movement. Caregivers and children will learn how to integrate movement and music into their day.

3. Creative Play

Budding artists tap into their imaginations and creativity by experimenting with colour, shape, pattern, texture, mark-making and collage.

4. PALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters)

This program is designed to involve parents and caregivers alongside their 3 and 4 year old child in play based learning. Learning materials are sent home after each session.

5. Preschool Library

This program is designed to establish a preschool library in a designated part of the school or library and to invite families to sign out books. Schools have an option of offering Story times.

Welcome To Kindergarten

For families of children who will enter Kindergarten in September, 2011. This single session Kindergarten Orientation workshop will provide children with a bag of early literacy resources and strategies for parents.

7. Create your own Program or Open

This requires developing a proposal and submitting it to

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