

Family Literacy Week: January 23-30!



Characters in the family! Twin brothers Henry and Gavin Klassen, Grade 1 students at Bowden Grandview School, dressed as the Mario Brothers in the school's 'Dress as your favourite book character' event!

Literacy is a fundamental divisional goal for students in every grade in all Chinook's Edge schools. Many activities are planned throughout the week, from a fairytale scavenger hunt at Sylvan Lake's C.P. Blakely Elementary School to a 'Panther Cafe' with hot chocolate and cupcakes while browsing books at Penhold Crossing Secondary School.

Schools have arranged for special guest readers and have created displays with student book reviews and staff favourite picks. Students are bringing their favourite storybooks from home to read with their reading buddies, and prizes of a new book are being drawn for most time spent reading. Chinook's Edge embraces literacy all year long, but our schools are celebrating in high style during this Family Literacy Week!

Family Literacy Day has taken place every January 27th since 1999, to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities. Check [this link](#) for resources and activities!



Connection: Principal Brent Runnett from Ross Ford Elementary School in Didsbury shares the joy and power of reading by connecting with students and families on Thursday evenings for storytime. [Here he is](#) sharing an old favourite which his mom first read to him, and then he read to his own children as they grew up!

Copyright reminder: Talking about reading provides a perfect opportunity to talk about copyright! Please visit this [Instructional Media Centre link](#) for tips and resources.

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