

In the L❄️❄️p

January 27, 2026

The [Surrey White Rock Literacy Task Group's](#) bi-weekly newsletter helps you stay in the loop on literacy news, events, and resources. Please feel free to share this information with your colleagues and networks.

We are always available to answer your literacy and learning questions. Give us a call or drop us a line, we'd be happy to chat.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- ❄️ Happy Family Literacy Day! Find resources at [ABC Life Literacy Canada](#) including a [kitchen cupboard scavenger hunt](#), a [tip sheet](#), and more.
- ❄️ It's Family Literacy Week. Celebrate food and literacy with this smorgasbord of resources for families and educators.
 - [Make mealtime family learning time backgrounders](#) (Decoda)
 - [Mealtime conversation cards for toddlers/preschoolers](#) (Island Health)
 - [What am I? Food literacy activity for K-3](#) (Northern Health)
 - [Educator's Toolkit: Take Time to Eat & Enjoy for 9-11](#) (Health Canada)
 - [Empower Your Teen in the Kitchen](#) (Healthier Together)
- ❄️ Check out family friendly literacy fun at [Surrey Libraries Expo](#) on January 31 at Newton Recreation Centre from 10:00am to 3:00pm.
- ❄️ **Love Data Week** is an international celebration of data, taking place February 9-13, 2026. This year's theme, "*Where's the Data?*", considers how data journeys from collection through storage and preservation. Universities across the world are hosting [hundreds of free and open online events](#).
- ❄️ FamilySmart is offering *Parenting ADHD Children – A Neuro-Affirming Approach*, online on February 18, 6:30pm-8:00pm PST. [Learn more and register here](#).
- ❄️ The 2026 Amazon Canada First Novel Award is now [open for submissions](#).

RESOURCES/PRO-D/NEWS

- * The [Community Gaming Grants 2026 Program Grant Guidelines](#) are now available. Most of the updates involve clarification of existing items rather than changes in requirements or eligibility criteria. One change of note is the simplification of how in-kind contributions can be included.
- * Read about the work done by Literacy Task Groups in BC in Decoda's [LOC Report 2024-2025](#).
- * [Funding program](#) available for Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care - Quality Improvement Projects.
- * Canadian Resources for ESL and Literacy is a Canadian alternative to American and British resources. [Winter catalogue here](#).
- * [Beating Dyslexia](#) is a free dyslexia help website created by dyslexic adults.
- * [Books for dementia patients](#)
- * [Mini mysteries for people short on time](#)
- * [Horse-Riding Librarians Were the Great Depression's Bookmobiles](#). Further reading for kids ([The Horseback Librarians](#)) and historical fiction for adults ([The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek](#)).
- * [Remission for Reading](#) - in 2012, Brazil's Ministry of Justice introduced a law allowing prisoners to reduce their sentences by reading books and writing reviews.

SNOW-WAY, NOT ANOTHER LITERACY PUN!

Took me a moment to figure out what a glitter but now icy the humour.

- [Sir David Attenbrrr among ice cold BCP Council glitter names](#). The full list is [here](#).

*This newsletter was prepared by a human.
Information provided does not necessarily constitute an endorsement.
Please contact us with any questions about the content.*