

# *In the Loop*

**March 24, 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 can help you and your clients find literacy and learning supports in Surrey and White Rock. Call or email and we'd be happy to help.

## **PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

- ✿ READ Surrey/White Rock is hosting a pop-up StoryWalk® on April 5 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm at Memorial Plaza, White Rock. Drop by to stroll-and-read and buy some BlueSky socks to support literacy. Poster attached.
- ✿ Racing Readers is an after-school program focusing on the physical, educational and social well-being of students in Grades 2-5. We are recruiting volunteers for the next term running April 30 to June 18, 2026. [Please click here for more information and to apply.](#)
- ✿ Surrey Libraries is offering [Drop in Technology Help](#) on computer basics, tablet basics, and cyber safety basics. Offered at various branches.
- ✿ Fraser Valley Regional Library card holders can watch and read interactive children's stories online with [BookFLIX](#). (Thanks to [Langley Literacy Network](#) for the tip!)
- ✿ Metro Vancouver is accepting applications for [Regional Cultural Project Grants](#) (maximum \$10,000 awarded per project). See If you're wondering what arts has to do with literacy, check out AEP's [The Arts and Literacies](#).
- ✿ Spring has come, the grass is riz, I wonder where the tax clinics is? Find out about [eligibility and locations of free tax clinics here](#).

## RESOURCES/PRO-D/NEWS

- ❁ Decoda shared this [Bedtime Stories With a Mystery Reader](#) story in their newsletter [TWITF](#).
- ❁ [Gen\(Z\)AI | Forum Report: AI & Information Integrity Feb 2026](#)
- ❁ Artificial Intelligence (AI) impacts all education fields. Students, staff and researchers can learn how to use AI responsibly by checking out their institutions' guides. Here are a few local links: [Simon Fraser University](#), [University of British Columbia](#), [Kwantlen Polytechnic University](#), [Surrey Schools](#).
- ❁ [Learning Resources from the Legislative Assembly of BC](#). Check with your local MLA for colouring books, word searches, or other printed learning activities.
- ❁ [Meet pen pals around the world](#).
- ❁ [How reading changes the way your brain works - BBC World Service](#)

## ANOTHER LITERACY GROANER

Meet Darth Vader's rarely photographed wife, Ella.



... Ella Vader

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FAMILY  
EVENT!**



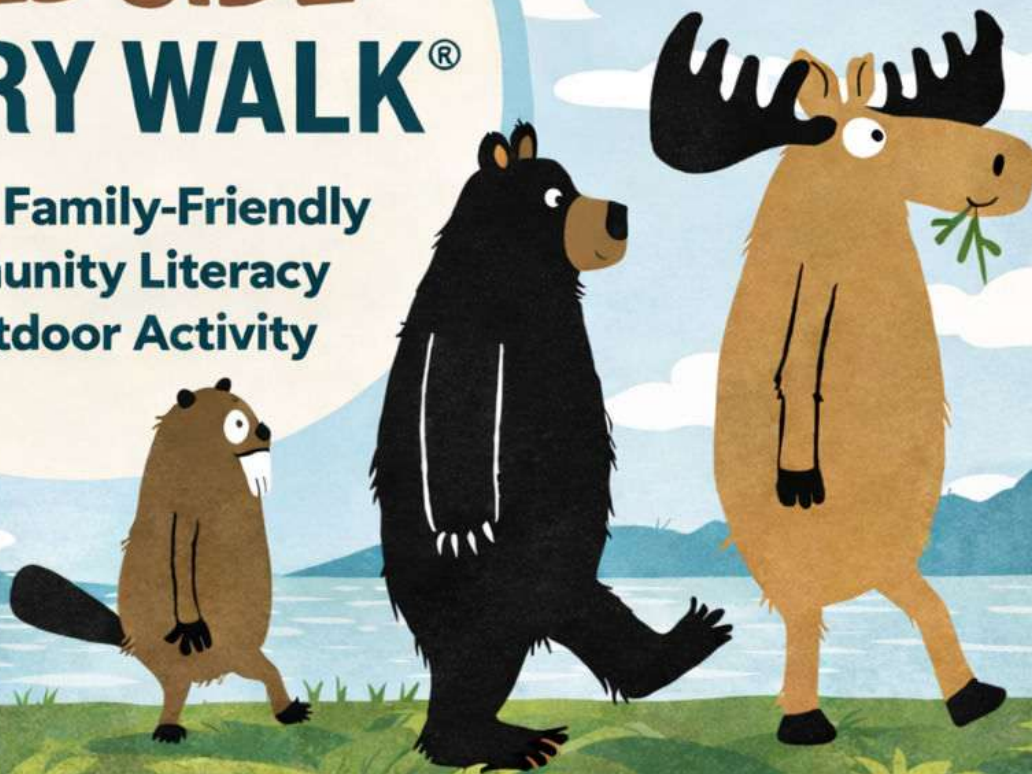
**APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**12:00–2:00 PM**

**MEMORIAL PLAZA  
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