

Friday, November 21, 2025

Hello Macaulay Families,

A Macaulay Lego creation was part of a good-news local newspaper story this week highlighting a fundraiser benefiting school meal programs. Bravo to our students (and staff!) whose creativity helped make this possible. You can see Macaulay's contribution here (bottom left of the picture):

<https://www.timescolonist.com/entertainment/explore-lego-fundraiser-gingerbread-showcase-owl-designer-fair-and-more-11512821>

Our staff spent today engaged in a full day of learning together. One of our workshops focused on writing and exploring strategies that help students find their voice, understand the elements of writing, and develop as young authors. Professional development days like this give us valuable time to collaborate, reflect, and strengthen our practice so that we can continue to offer the best possible learning experiences for our students.

Warmly,
Jeanne

Looking Ahead
Dec 1 - Rein-DEAR Family Read Aloud Event (library 3 - 4:30 pm)
Dec 5 - Loonie Emporium
Dec 10 - PAC Meeting (library 6:30 pm)
Dec 12 - PAC Fun Lunch

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More Information Items:

REIN-DEAR FAMILY READ ALOUD



Join us for a cozy time of reading together in the library. Get hot chocolate, cookies and a book from our Chapters-Indigo grant

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

COZY READING SPACE

HOT CHOCOLATE

COOKIES

BRING WILLODEEN HOME

MON, DEC 1, 3PM-4:30PM

MACAULAY LIBRARY

READ A BOOK, GET A BOOK

REMINDER - Capital Bike - Ride it Forward Program Information

We are pleased to share information about Ride it Forward, a needs-based program that provides pre-owned bikes for families who may be new to Canada or experiencing financial challenges.

Each bike is inspected and is tuned up and comes fully equipped with a new lock, new helmet, reflectors, bell, bottle rack and new water bottle, and kickstand.

If your family would benefit from this opportunity, please email me (jhumphries@sd61.bc.ca) with the **age** and **height** of your family members. This information will be forwarded to the Ride it Forward program coordinator, who will look for bikes that best meet your needs. Once bikes are found for your family, bikes will be delivered to the school at a pre-arranged time, and families will be asked to sign a waiver before taking their new bikes home. Please note that this is a first-come, first-served program.

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Join Victoria's Vibrant Hosting Community

The Greater Victoria School District's Homestay Program is looking for new host families.

- *Students come from around the world to participate in academic programming in Victoria's middle and high schools*
- *Homestays are needed for both short term stays (2 weeks - 3 months) and long term stays (5 months +)*
- *Host families provide a supportive and caring environment, along with 3 meals per day + snacks*
- *Training, homestay guidelines & 24/7 support is available from the homestay office*
- *Hosting an International Student is a wonderful opportunity for cultural exchange*
- *\$1260 per month is provided for student support*

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Website: www.studyinvictoria.com

Email: homestay@sd61.bc.ca

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