

Castlegar Literacy Programs, Workshops & Events – Winter 2019

	CBAL office	Castlegar & District Public Library	Robson Community School	Kootenay Family Place	Blueberry Creek Community School Hub	Community Services
Monday	Office Hours 10 am – 2 pm	Parent Child Book Club (Cancelled)	StrongStart* 8:30 – 11:30 am	ESL Conversation Club* 10 am – 12 pm	StrongStart 8:30 – 11:30 am	
Tuesday	Office Hours 10 am – 2 pm	Preschool Story Hour 10 – 11 am (Ages 3 – 5 yrs, potty-trained) Adult ESL Class* 9:30 – 11:30 am Community Learning Place* 12 – 2 pm Scrabble Club* 6:15 – 7:45 pm (2 nd Tues./month)	StrongStart* 8:30 – 11:30 am	Beautiful Beginnings 10 am – 12:30 pm Aboriginal Family Gathering 4 – 7 pm (2 nd Tues/month)	StrongStart 11 am – 2 pm	Castlegar Youth Action Network 3 – 6 pm
Wednesday	Office Hours 10 am – 2 pm	Mother Goose* 10 – 11 am (Jan. 23 – Mar. 13) Full STEAM Ahead (waitlist) 2:45 – 4 pm (6 – 9 yrs)	StrongStart* 8:30 – 11:30 am	Drop – In 10 – 11:30 am	StrongStart 8:30 – 11:30 am	Castlegar Youth Action Network 3 – 6 pm
Thursday	Office Hours 10 am – 2 pm	Pre-School Story Hour 10 – 11 am (Ages 3 – 5 yrs, potty-trained) Toddler Story Time 10:30 – 11 am (Ages 18 mth – 3 yrs) Double Digits 2:45 - 4 pm (Ages 10+, 1 st Thurs./month)	StrongStart* 11:30 am – 2:30 pm	CAPC Program 10 am – 12 pm (Ages 0 – 6 yrs) Together to Learn* 12:30 – 3:00 pm	StrongStart 8:30 – 11:30 am	Castlegar Youth Action Network 3 – 6 pm COINS Community Drum Circle 5 – 7 pm (last Thurs./month)
Friday	Office Hours 12 – 2 pm	Tinker Time (waitlist) 10 – 11 am (Jan 25, Feb 1, 8, 15, April 5, 12, 26, May 17, 24)	StrongStart* 8:30 – 11:30 am	ESL Family Time* 10 am – 12 pm	StrongStart 8:30 – 11:30 am	* Offered by, or in partnership with CBAL

Castlegar & District Public Library

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Books for Babies*

- Provides a book bag, books and community information for families with new babies.

Community Learning Place*

- Offers adults help with basic computer skills, reading, writing, math, test preparation, skills upgrading, citizenship and settlement.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes*

- Helps ESL adults improve their reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.

Scrabble Club*

- Gathers all levels of Scrabble players together for a fun evening of word play.

Story Hour

- Offers preschool children an hour of stories, crafts and fun.

Teen Zone

- Gets teens together to participate in great library activities and special projects.

Blueberry Creek & Robson Community Schools

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StrongStart Program*

- Is a drop-in program for preschool children and their parents/caregivers. Qualified early childhood educators lead learning activities, including circle time with songs, stories, art and play opportunities to help children be successful when they enter kindergarten.



One to One Adult Tutoring*

- Is available upon request in math, reading, writing and technology.

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Kootenay Family Place

For information contact:

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Aboriginal Family Gathering

- Gathers families for fun activities and a dinner.

Beautiful Beginnings (prenatal & new moms)

- Offers a nutritious lunch, guest speakers, free prenatal vitamins and a weekly \$10 food voucher.

Community Action Program for Children (CAPC)

- Is a parent education program.

ESL (English as a Second Language) Family Time *

- Is for parents/caregivers and children to gather and enjoy activities and to learn community information.

ESL Conversation Club*

- Offers conversation, food and activities with other newcomers to the community.


Settlement Support *

- Offers settlement support for newcomers.

Together to Learn*

- Offers parents the opportunity to work on academic upgrading Selkirk College instructor. Childcare is provided.

Contact us for more information

Free Programs, Workshops & Events: Corinne Svardfeldt Community Literacy Coordinator, 250-687-4983, castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org or Facebook  Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy - Castlegar

Free Settlement Services: Kyoko Smith, Settlement Worker, 250-687-4714, castlegarsettlement@cbal.org

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