



School District No. 46
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Strategic Plan

Reading

Focus:

CARE Project

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SD46 Strategic Plan Goals

1b Students will READ at or beyond their grade level. They will discover joy in their reading!

2 b Our Staff will support READING and all teachers will be reading teachers.



SD46 Reading Committee Goals & Action Plans

1. Increase the number of students that experience the **joy** of reading.
2. Explore ways to extend reading opportunities in the broader **community** and to consider reading transitions from school settings to recreational and adult contexts.
3. Continue to build a **professional culture** intensely focused on improving reading results for all children.
4. To improve our ability to **understand, support and communicate** student reading skills (i.e. by supporting teachers in the use of common tools.



The CARE Project

For sharing values, mindsets and strategies for reading supports across our district.



CARE Teams

School CARE Teams are invited to attend monthly meetings, & include:

- One primary classroom teacher
- One intermediate classroom teacher
- The reading support teacher
- The aboriginal education support teacher
- The Support services teacher
- The Principal

Collaboration Time!



CARE teams receive 4 half days of collaboration time every month

Collaboration time is used by teacher to work with colleagues in classrooms, or to plan school literacy initiatives together (such as Professional Development day activities, the school's yearly literacy cycle of reading assessments & learning)

It can supplement teachers to meet in teams
(i.e. primary; intermediate and/or school teams)

Teachers to work in classrooms with students & colleagues in their own and other schools to support the exploration of new literacy practices.



CARE provides on-going workshops and Professional Development Opportunities

- Faye Brownlie
- Miriam Trehearne
- Adrienne Gear



CARE supports an infusion of new books into classroom libraries

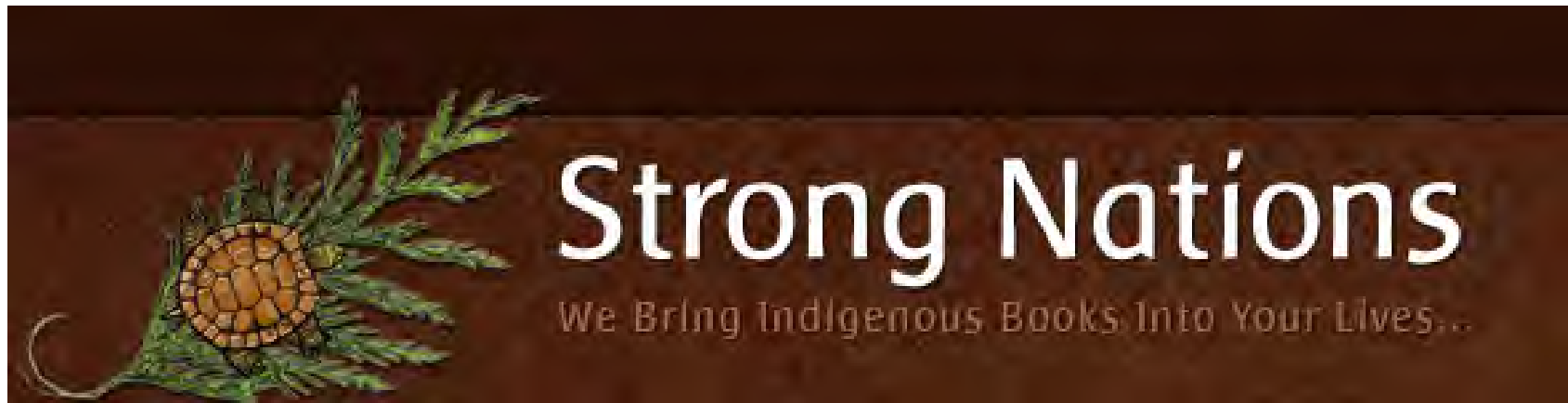
~ Supporting the Joy of Reading!

Each school received funding

Kidsbooks



CARE Supports an Infusion of Indigenous Content



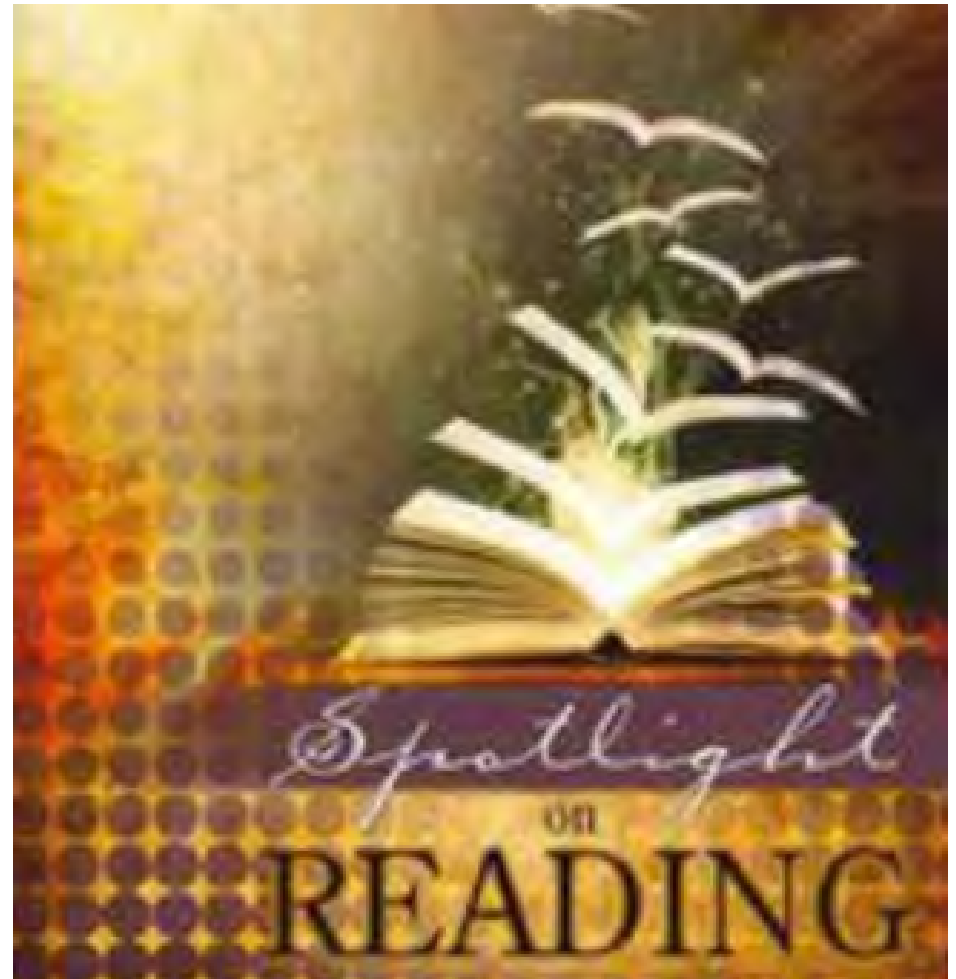
Terri Mack –
- Supporting our ability to weave
Aboriginal Elements into the
Curriculum

Each school received
funding to support the
purchase of indigenous
materials



Staff Meeting Spotlights

The CARE team highlights literacy throughout the year by sharing during staff meetings in order to keep excitement high about reading.



CARE Teams Actively Support Literacy Initiatives Across the District

Examples include:

New Curriculum –

Teachers will be supported in their exploration of literacy within the curriculum

The District Innovation Team

communicating student reading skills using innovative methods – i.e. using Fresh Grade.

Coast Reads!

www.coastreads.org



The COAST READS together

Books selected by the Coast Reads Committee to engage Sunshine Coast readers of all ages—one word at a time.



coastreads.org

Generously supported by the Sunshine Coast Literacy Coalition



Collaborating with our Public Librarians

- Coast Reads
- Library Cards for students
- Word on the Water & in the Woods
- Raise a Reader: Visits to the Sechelt library by Pender students
- Literacy Week
- Early Years Fair



Writer's Anthology

Aboriginal Worldviews and Perspectives in the Classroom

Moving Forward



Celebrate Literacy Month

Word on the Water
Saturday, September 24th
Join Sechelt and Gibsons
Public Library staff for
random acts of reading and
storytelling on the 10:25 am
/ 11:30 am and 12:35 pm /
1:35 pm BC Ferry sailings

Word in the Woods
From September 26th-30th
Students, children and
families can enjoy a Story
Walk through the woods in
the outdoor areas of all of
our elementary schools

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Literacy Coalition



**Sunshine Coast
CREDIT UNION**
Together, we build lives



Community
Resource
Centre



WELCOMING
COMMUNITY



Early Years
Centre

British Columbia
Library
Read to Help



Thanks to
BC Ferries

Word in the Woods!

A Story Walk in the Woods - In every elementary school





Word on the Water

Random Acts of Reading on our BC Ferries



Story Basket Catalogue

Any of these baskets can be borrowed for use in your classroom! Contact Kirsten Deasey at kdeasey@sd46.bc.ca to reserve your basket today!





LITTLE CUB

Story Basket

A lovely set inspired by the sweet story [Little Cub](#), this basket includes lots of natural materials that can be used for story telling and play. There are many possibilities for extension, including the exploration of bears, their habitat, food sources, life cycle, hibernation, etc.



MISS MAPLE'S SEEDS

Story Basket

This lovely basket includes a charming story that can be used as a springboard for learning and discussion around the changing seasons, seeds and the needs of living things. Also includes materials that facilitate the exploration of natural materials, play and concepts of sorting and patterning.



Thank you!