



## Saanich Peninsula Literacy

# Summer Literacy on the Peninsula

### **Words in the Wind: July 6-13<sup>th</sup>**

Take a stroll through Dominion Brook Park in North Saanich this week during park hours, and search for colourful letters that will be hanging from trees and combine to create a secret phrase. Individual letters created by McTavish Art Centre and painted by McTavish afterschool care students and Shoal Centre participants are located throughout the park. Your mission is to work together with your family to unscramble the 25 letters to create a 6-word phrase. Once you've decoded the phrase, email your entry to [smsleight@gmail.com](mailto:smsleight@gmail.com) with Words in the Wind as the subject line. All successful entries will be placed in a draw for prize!

### **Story Stones: Tell the Tale: July 19-26<sup>th</sup>**

Create your own Story Stones with a thoughtfully curated kit that you can pick up at the Sidney/North Saanich Library during business hours. 100 Story Stone kits will be made available the week of July 19-26<sup>th</sup>. We would love to see your completed story stone creations. Send a picture to [sidney@virl.bc.ca](mailto:sidney@virl.bc.ca), or bring your stone to the library and we'll take a picture for our online gallery and to share on the Saanich Peninsula Literacy Facebook Page. You'll even get a special surprise!

Want to take it one step further? Write a short story, poem or song inspired by your stones! Work on it alone, with your family or with a friend. Send it to [sidney@virl.bc.ca](mailto:sidney@virl.bc.ca) or put a paper copy in our "Story Stones: Tell the Tale" box at the Sidney/North Saanich Library for a chance to win a gift certificate for Island Blue. Please make sure you include your name, age and a way to get in touch with you by August 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Get Outside and READ together: August 5<sup>th</sup>**

Pack a picnic lunch, grab your blanket and head over to Pioneer Park in Central Saanich to pick up a FREE bag of books between 10-12pm provided by the Peninsula 1000 X 5 Book Recycling Project and Saanich Peninsula Literacy. Then find a place to sit and enjoy reading together with your family in the park!

### **StoryWalk® with the Horses: August 26<sup>th</sup>**

Follow the trail at Centennial Park in Central Saanich and read along with each page of the Story *If I Had a Horse* by Gianna Marino. When you get to the end of the Story, Cisco and Bangsi, two local horses from the Victoria Therapeutic Riding Association will be waiting to meet you. The StoryWalk® starts directly behind the field house between 10-4pm. Horse visits will be on a first come, first serve basis between 10-12pm & 2-4pm, aligning with Covid safety protocols.