



Friday, May 14, 2020

Dear Livingstone Students,

Holiday time for students. Friday, May 15th is a professional development day for teachers in Vancouver public schools. Our online professional development is focusing on Indigenous teachings. Livingstone staff will be on TEAMs listening to the sessions and meeting in discussion groups. Some of you have already been reading books and using materials paid for by PAC to further your understanding of Indigenous teachings.

Today it was very cool to hear Krista acknowledging that we work, learn and play on the ancestral lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Coast Salish people at the beginning of the Division 1 and Division 2 online meeting. The learning that comes from working, learning and playing at a specific place influences our understandings of life. You may have noticed in the Indigenous art includes meaningful details about life in British Columbia. Susan Point's spindle whorl print includes the salmon so common in our oceans and streams during spawning times. The murals created by Livingstone students in 2016 with Brent Clowater and Jerry Whitehead includes the plants and animals in our habitat, as well as the Indigenous people who were first to live in Vancouver. How does living in this place impact your thinking and learning? I would love to see your writing or art in answer to this question.

Remember Monday. May 18th is the Victoria Day holiday. No online classes. Enjoy! Stay safe!

Happy Weekend!

From,

Ms. Froese - Your Principal