

# Strathcona Library Weekly News

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Dear students and families,

**Star Wars Reads Day** was a fun event for Strathcona School and 99 students played the Kahoot Challenge trivia games.

This Friday is a Professional Development Day. Lunch will still be served on Friday, May 15.

Monday, May 18 is a holiday and lunch will NOT be served.

Be well and stay healthy,

Jen Hong

## VSBC Digital Library

Free databases

[library.vsb.bc.ca](http://library.vsb.bc.ca)

Select:

Lord Strathcona

Login using your  
student number  
and password

TIP: do NOT use  
#@learn.vsb.bc.ca

## What I'm Reading



**Ending the First** by Katherine Applegate, who wrote *Wishtree* and *The One and Only Ivan*, is the highly recommended fantasy novel and the second in a series. Bryx is on a quest to find more of her species. Will she succeed or is she the only Dairn left?



**Chat Noir Chat Blanc** by Claire Garralon is a beautiful picture book in French. Easy to read and understand, this lovely book would be an excellent choice for art making (think cut outs).



**Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox** is an outstanding book about animal totems by Anishinaabe author and illustrator Danielle Daniels. Perfect for sparking art projects and discussions.

## What are you reading?

What are your favourite books on Epic or Raz Kids? Send me a message about what you're reading!

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## Free Digital Books

[Vancouver Public Library](http://Vancouver Public Library)  
Free ebooks and online databases/

### [Indigenous Storybooks](#)

Multilingual including 5 Indigenous languages, English, French and Spanish.  
Read aloud option, printable.

### [Storybooks Canada](#)

Multilingual books from African Storybooks. Read aloud option, printable.

### [Starfall](#)

Literacy and math for primary students. Contact your classroom teacher for a free 4 month code.

[Raz Kids & Headsprout](#)

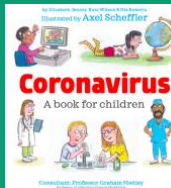
[Tumblebooks](#)

[Epic Books](#) free until June 30 through your classroom teacher

## Stories about the pandemic

Stories are great ways to explore, process, wonder and think about many of the challenging issues that arise for children as they are growing. Especially now, in these unprecedented times, we may need stories more than ever. Here a couple stories that specifically deal with Covid-19.

[Rock Monsters](#) was written by Amanda Marshall of Vancouver to help explain Covid to younger children. A fun aspect of this story, is that people are painting rock monsters and leaving them in gardens around the city, helping us feel connected. Here's Goldie who lives at my place.



[Coronavirus: A book for Children](#) is great for older kids, with detailed explanations of about the virus and how we can protect ourselves.

[What is the Coronavirus?](#) is a short social Story with clear images that was written by Amanda McGuinness, known as The Autism Educator.



## Minecraft Trivia Kahoot Challenge!

By student request, Strathcona Library will be hosting a Minecraft Trivia Kahoot Challenge and we need your help!

Submit your trivia questions and answers to Ms. Hong [ihong@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:ihong@vsb.bc.ca) by Monday, May 18, 2020 and your Minecraft questions could be part of the challenge. Be sure to rate your questions as Easy or Hard. Don't share your questions and answers!



**MINECRAFT  
TRIVIA**

## This week in the remote library...

What are the latest StoryTimes and BookTalks? Check out the most recent videos:

[Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox](#) by Anishinaabe author & illustrator Danielle Daniel

[Chat Noir et Chat Blanc](#) by Claire Garralon

[BookTalk: Ending the Last](#) by Katherine Applegate

## StoryTime

Join me for Storytime – where I read aloud some of my favourite picture books.

[C-3PO Does Not Like Sand](#)

[Birdsong](#)

[Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao](#)

Mme. Hong vous raconte une histoire

[Chat Noir et Chat Blanc](#) by Claire

## BookTalks

Join me for BookTalk – where I review and recommend recently read novels and graphic novels.

[White Bird](#)

## We Miss You Video

Dear Strathcona Dragons, the staff have some messages for you...