

Strathcona Library Weekly News

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Dear students and families,

A **survey** will be sent soon so families of students K to grade 5 can let schools know if they intend to continue with remote learning or if students will return to school in June.

At this time, I am unsure what the library will look like. Please do not send your books back. I will let you know when and how book returns will happen.

Please note most underlined words/phrases in this newsletter are **hyperlinks**, so you can click them.

Be well and stay safe,

Jen Hong

VSBC Digital Library

Free databases

library.vsb.bc.ca

Select:

Lord Strathcona

Login using your **student number** and **password**

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

What are you reading?

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

jhong@vsb.bc.ca

Epic Reads

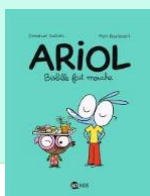
Sometimes it is challenging to find great books on Epic, so I've started a few collections of my favourite Epic books. I'll be adding more titles over time, so check back often to see the updates. If your class is not using Epic, send me an email jhong@vsb.bc.ca and I'll add you to the library class.



[Click here for Epic Reads Intermediate](#)



[Click here for Epic Reads Primary](#)



[Click here for Epic French books](#)

Free Digital Books

[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

Special Guest Reader!

This week in Strathcona's Remote Library, we have a very special guest reading aloud *Little Bird's Bad Word*, a funny and sweet tale about word choice.

[Claudia reads Little Bird's Bad Word](#)

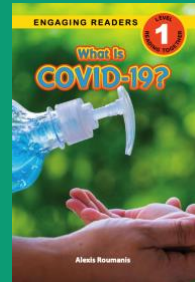


What is Covid-19?

Here are two digital non-fiction books that are perfect for reading to or with young children or for older students to read themselves. These short readers have great images and clear explanations. Please be aware that the content could be triggering for young people.

[What is Covid-19? For younger children](#)

[What is Covid-19? For older children](#)



Minecraft Trivia Kahoot Challenge!

By student request, Strathcona Library will be hosting a Minecraft Trivia Kahoot Challenge and we need your help! There is still time to submit your trivia questions and answers to Ms. Hong jhong@vsb.bc.ca. Be sure to rate your questions as Easy or Hard. Don't share your questions and answers!

A logo for 'MINECRAFT TRIVIA' with a pixelated, blocky background in shades of green and brown, reminiscent of the game's terrain.

This week in the remote library...

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

[StoryTime with Claudia – Little Bird's Bad Word](#) by Jacob Grant

[StoryTime: Gotta Go Buffalo](#) by Haily & Kevin Meyers

[BookTalk: EL Deafo](#) by Cece Bell

[Un Renard](#) par Kate Read

StoryTime

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

[Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox](#)

[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 Garralon

[Un Renard](#) par Kate Read

BookTalks

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

[White Bird](#)

[BookTalk: Endling the Last](#)

We Miss You Video

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