

# Buckingham Elementary School

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**Our Mission: Strong Relationships Growing Healthy Minds To Go Beyond**



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Dear Parents or Guardians,

Literacy Week is approaching. Literacy week allows students and staff to celebrate and share their love of reading and writing. This year we will be celebrating the work of Dr. Seuss. We are excited to participate in this year's activities scheduled for January 23-27, 2017!

With this year's theme, students are encouraged to share a book or books with someone at home and bring any Dr. Seuss books they have at home to school to share with their classmates. Please keep in mind that Dr. Seuss also wrote books under the names Theodore Geisel and Ted LeSieg.

Below are a few exciting activities taking place at our school:

- Learning about who Dr. Seuss was and how he contributed to children's love of reading
- Exploring and reading a variety of Dr. Seuss books
- Decorating the classroom doors with Dr. Seuss theme
- Interactive read alouds and videos on Dr. Seuss books
- On Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, students are encouraged to dress *WACKY*, to celebrate the book "Wacky Wednesday". Some ideas are to wear shirts or pants backwards, wear hair in a different way, wear socks over pants, a scarf around waist etc.
- Writing activities that will have students create their own characters from a Seuss book, explore the meaning behind the stories and/or make personal connections
- Older classes are partnering with younger classes to provide an opportunity for the students to read to one another and share their favourite Dr. Seuss books
- Arlene Brunke, a WQSB commissioner, will be visiting classrooms to share a story and interact with the students
- Interactive games and group story building activities

For ideas of how you can promote family literacy at home, see the website:

<http://www.getreadytoread.org/early-learning-childhood-basics/early-literacy/promoting-family-literacy-raising-ready-readers>

Thank you for your continued support and Happy Reading,

The BES Literacy Committee

