



British Columbia Primary Teachers' Association
of the British Columbia Teachers' Federation

Create Imagine Explore
Play Wonder



Did you know?

The BCPTA is involved in the Provincial Early Learning Advisory Group.

A note from the BCPTA president Janine Fraser:

I have been a member of this group for the past few years on behalf of primary teachers. I joined this group a few years ago, and our first goal was to revise and update the Early Years Framework. Today we are connected to the provincial CR4YL (Changing Results for Young Learners) network of Early childhood educators and Kindergarten Teachers in the province. We met in May over zoom and were inspired by speakers on the topic of resilience and trauma informed practice. Monique Gray Smith, Goldie Hawn, Dr. Kim Schonert Reichl, and Deb McNamara were speakers at this amazing event. Being a voice of primary teachers at this important group is an honour. One thing we still hope to accomplish with this group is the revision and update of the primary program. Stay tuned to more updates about this in the future..

The Early Learning Framework

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What the BC Primary Teachers' Association is doing for you!

- Engaging in BCTF Inquiry Project as a PSA to find ways to serve members better.
- Passed a motion in January about variants and extra school protections needed for primary teachers
 - That the BCPTA expresses our concerns with BC's decision to be back in schools this January with no increased safety measures added to protect our children, families and school staff. We ask that the precautionary principle guide schools and that we register our objection to the current context we find ourselves in.
- We have a rep on the Ministry of Education Workgroup
- Taught a workshop at the BCTF New Teachers conference in February about teaching during Covid-19.
- Hosted a townhall meeting in April to hear from primary teachers so we could connect with them and hear their feedback on important issues facing primary teachers today.
- Planning our Virtual 2021 Conference with our keynote Dr. Jody Carrington on October 22nd
- We have 3 reps on the Early Learning team
- We passed a motion on our concerns with seamless days plans.
 - That the BCPTA express our concerns with some aspects of the proposal for a seamless day within the current context of Covid-19 and beyond. Classrooms in the primary years are used by classroom teachers beyond the bookends of the day in order to adequately prepare and plan for learning experiences. Resources in classrooms are essential and are sadly mostly funded and owned by teachers. Any plan to usurp the space and personal resources of classroom teachers is not respectful or appropriate and we strongly speak out against any plan with this in mind. Primary teachers support community uses of schools when there are empty classrooms and those users resource the rooms accordingly.

Resources:

Please visit Teach BC <https://teachbc.bctf.ca/> for resources. You can browse resources/lessons by grade, subject area, keyword or language. If you have a resource to share, you can share on this website as well.

Cartoons with BIPOC main characters:

Molly of Denali: showcases the life and adventures of 10 year old Molly a Gwich'in/ Koyukon/ Dena'ina Athabascan girl who lives in Alaska, available on CBC Gem, each episode is 25 minutes (11 minute cartoon, 2 minute present day video connection by Alaskan Indigenous People, 11 minute cartoon)

Wolf Joe: Joe and his friends become heroes like the ones in his Grandpa's stories, emphasis on Anishinaabe culture and teachings, available on tvokids.com and YouTube, each episode is 11 minutes

Addison: adventures of Addison a young inventor who loves to solve mysteries, available on CBC Gem and YouTube (search Addison CBC), each episode is 11 minutes


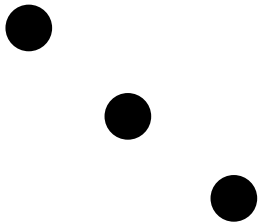
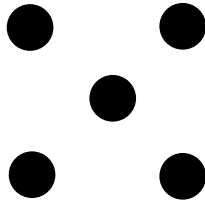
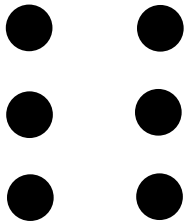
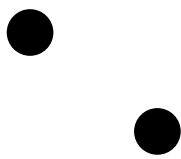

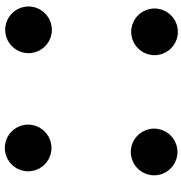
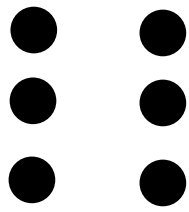
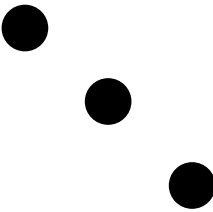
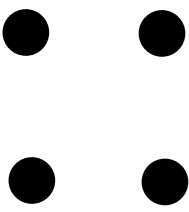
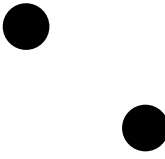
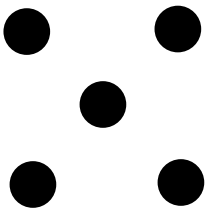
Roll and Cover Activity

Kindergarten: roll a die, find that number and cover it

Other suggestions: fill in your own numbers on the board

- use 2 or 3 dice and find the sum on the board
- use 2 dice and find the difference on the board
- use 2 dice and find the product on the board

Roll and Cover

1	2		
		4	3
	2	5	
3			6
5		6	
	4		1

Upcoming Events:

Online Fall Conference on October 22nd, 2021

BCPTA AGM October 21st 2021 6:30pm on Zoom

Please visit our website: <http://www.bcpta.ca/wordpress/>

We will be sharing resources in each issue of the newsletter. If you would like to share a resource please email it to BCPTAnewsletter@gmail.com and let us know what grade(s) it is for.

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