



# Castlegar Literacy Programs, Workshops & Events – Spring 2021



	<b>CBAL Office</b> 140 – 1402 Columbia Ave.	<b>CBAL Zoom Programming</b> <a href="mailto:castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org">castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org</a> or 250-687-4983	<b>StrongStart</b> <b>Robson</b> <a href="mailto:alaurie@cbal.org">alaurie@cbal.org</a> <b>Blueberry</b> <a href="mailto:bcss-ss@telus.net">bcss-ss@telus.net</a>	<b>Castlegar &amp; District Public Library Facebook Programming</b> <a href="mailto:lzaytsoff@castlegarlibrary.com">lzaytsoff@castlegarlibrary.com</a>	<b>Kootenay Family Place Zoom Programming</b> <a href="mailto:cpnp@kootenayfamilyplace.org">cpnp@kootenayfamilyplace.org</a>	<b>Castlegar &amp; District Community Services Zoom Programming</b> <a href="mailto:youth@cdcass.ca">youth@cdcass.ca</a>
<b>Monday</b>			<b>Blueberry StrongStart</b> 8:30 – 11:30 am (Registration required)  <b>Robson StrongStart*</b> 10 am – 12 pm (Registration required)		<b>English Conversation Club</b> 10:30 am <a href="mailto:kyoko@kootenayfamilyplace.org">kyoko@kootenayfamilyplace.org</a>	<b>Castlegar Youth Action Network Drop-in</b> 3 – 5 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>CBAL Office Hours</b> 10 am – 2 pm	<b>English Language Class* (LINC 4 – 7)</b> 9:30 – 11:30 am	<b>Blueberry StrongStart</b> 8:30 – 11:30 am (Registration required)  <b>Robson StrongStart*</b> 10 am – 12 pm (Registration required)		<b>Beautiful Beginnings</b> 10 – 11 am	
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Tech Learning Place*</b> 9:15 – 11:15 am  <b>English Language Class* (LINC 5 – 8)</b> 6 – 8 pm	<b>Blueberry StrongStart</b> 8:30 – 11:30 am (Registration required)  <b>Robson StrongStart*</b> 10 am – 12 pm (Registration required)		<b>Drop In</b> 10 – 11 am	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>CBAL Office Hours</b> 10 am – 2 pm	<b>English Language Class* (LINC 4 – 7)</b> 9:30 – 11:30 am  <b>Mother Goose* (0 - 5 years)</b> 10 – 11:00 am  <b>Your Life in Lines* (13 - 18 yrs)</b> 3:30 – 4:30 pm (Apr. 8 – May 13)	<b>Blueberry StrongStart</b> 8:30 – 11:30 am (Registration required)  <b>Robson StrongStart*</b> 10 am – 12 pm (Registration required)	<b>Toddler Program</b> 9 am  <b>Preschool Pogram</b> 10 am	<b>Walk with Us</b> 10:30 – 12 pm	<b>Castlegar Youth Action Network</b> <a href="mailto:laura.ricard@cdcass.ca">laura.ricard@cdcass.ca</a> 4:30 – 6:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>CBAL Office Hours</b> 10 am – 2 pm	<b>Family Time for Immigrants*</b> 10 – 11 am	<b>Blueberry StrongStart</b> 8:30 – 11:30 am (Registration required)  <b>Robson StrongStart*</b> 10 am – 12 pm (Registration required)	<b>Primary Program</b> 3 pm		* Offered by, or in partnership with CBAL

### Castlegar & District Public Library

Laura 250-365-6611 or [lzaytsoff.@castlegarlibrary.com](mailto:lzaytsoff.@castlegarlibrary.com)

#### Books for Babies\*

- Provides a book bag, books and community information for families with new babies. Given to new parents during their first Public Health visit.

#### English Language Class\*

- Helps ESL adults improve their reading, writing, listening and speaking skills – on Zoom.

#### Story Hour (Toddler, Preschool & Primary Program)

- Offers children stories, crafts and fun. Come to the library to pick up your activity kit prior to joining the online programming.

#### Scrabble Club\*

- Scrabble Club is postponed until further notice.

#### Community Learning Place\*

- CLP is postponed until further notice.

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### Blueberry Creek & Robson Community Schools

Alana (BCCS) 250-365-7201 or [bccsalanam@telus.net](mailto:bccsalanam@telus.net)

Rhonda (RCS) 250-687-4983 or [castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org](mailto:castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org)

#### StrongStart Program\*

- Is a drop-in program for preschool children and their parents/caregivers. Early childhood educators provide learning activities (circle time with songs & stories; art; play opportunities) – by registration.

#### Castlegar Youth Action Network

[youth@cdcass.ca](mailto:youth@cdcass.ca), or on Facebook

Castlegar Youth Council

- Youth (ages 12-19) can bring their ideas, talents and creativity to the drop-in program.

#### Kootenay Family Place

Lynnene 778-460-5105 [lynnene@kootenayfamilyplace.org](mailto:lynnene@kootenayfamilyplace.org)

#### Beautiful Beginnings (prenatal & new moms)

- An opportunity to meet and talk with other parents. Guest speakers, free prenatal vitamins and a weekly \$10 food voucher – by appointment.

#### Community Action Program for Children (CAPC)

- Is an early learning, parent education program – by appointment.

#### English Language Conversation

- Offers conversation and activities with other newcomers to the community – on Zoom.

### Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy

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Mandy 250-687-4714 [castlegarsettlement@cbal.org](mailto:castlegarsettlement@cbal.org)

#### Family Time for Immigrants \*

- Is for parents/caregivers and children to meet, enjoy songs, stories and to learn community information – on Zoom.

#### Settlement Support \*

- Offers settlement support for newcomers.

#### Tech Learning Place\*

- Support with laptops, iPads and other digital devices – by appointment.


#### One to One Adult Tutoring\*

- Available upon request in math, reading, writing and technology – by appointment.

#### Mother Goose\*

- Learn songs, rhymes and stories to share with your baby – registration required.

### Contact us for more information

**Free Programs, Workshops & Events:** Rhonda Palmer, Community Literacy Coordinator, 250-687-4983, [castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org](mailto:castlegarcoordinator@cbal.org) or Facebook  Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy - Castlegar

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