

Building literacy skills can be easy as A-B-C

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Literacy can be as simple as A-B-C. This Sunday, families are invited to come out to play games to celebrate national Family Literacy Day.

The event is an annual initiative developed by ABC Life Literacy Canada to encourage parents and children to spend at least 15 minutes a day enjoying a learning activity.

At Literacy Day, children can show off their skills on a variety of board, card and dice games.

Kids can also enjoy some snacks and get their faces painted. Teachers at the READ Society regularly use games to help students learn and improve their literacy skills.

"Playing games is a great way to sneak in learning," says Tammy Moore, child, youth and volunteer program co-ordinator at the READ society.

"It's especially good for wiggly children who are in the process of developing their attention spans."

Local businesses are supporting the event through donations of games and door prizes.

Suggested admission is a donation of \$5 per family, or pay what you can.

The event takes place from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Ruth King Elementary School in Langford.

The event is hosted by the READ Society, in partnership with Capital Families Association, Your Literacy Connection Westshore and Ruth King Elementary School.

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