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# Family Literacy Week Let's have a family party!

"Family literacy refers to the way parents, children, and extended family members use literacy at home and in the community. Family literacy occurs naturally during the routines of daily living and helps children and adults get things done."

- Hayden, R. & Sanders, M. (2007)

## Focusing on Family Literacy has some sweet results



- Helps in language development
- Aids in brain development
- Strengthens family relationships
- Improves imagination and creativity
- Leads to academic success
- Aids in understanding a world outside our own!



### Literacy Lifts Us Up!

"Literacy is the ability to understand, critically analyze, and create a variety of forms of communication, including oral, written, visual, digital, and multimedia, in order to accomplish one's goals."

BC Ministry of Education



"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift."

—Kate DiCamillo

#### Check out more resources at:

- Your School or Public Library
- Decoda Literacy Solutions



#### Develop Literacy by planning a party together!

- Make a list of people to invite
- Plan, write, decorate and deliver invitations to family and friends
- Read, select and make recipes together. This is a great way to practice literacy and numeracy!
- Plan, prepare and play games at the party. Giving and listening to instructions is a great way to practice oral language skills.

"Children can learn about decision-making and organizational skills when they help plan a family party. It encourages creativity when they design activities and decorations. They will also practice communication and teamwork through coordinating with other family members."

~ Decoda

