

# CISPG LEARNING

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George

*"All learners thriving in connected Catholic Learning Communities"*



## A Message from our Superintendent ...

A big thank you to all staff in our eight CISPG Schools for your continued hard work and dedication throughout the pandemic. I am always inspired by your creativity and collaboration. I hope that Lent has been a time to deepen your faith and that the Hope and Joy we can experience in the resurrection of our Lord at Easter shines brightly for you each day in your vocation as Catholic educators and members of the CISPG Catholic Learning Community.

Happy Easter!

With gratitude and hope,

Chris Dugdale, CISPG  
Superintendent  
'Building vibrant Catholic  
Learning Communities'

The next few weeks offer CISPG educators a much-needed break - time to pause, slow down, and rest. As we welcome Spring and usher in the last term of the school year, I hope that you will enjoy many joyful and rewarding moments. As always, thank you for all that you do on behalf of CISPG learners. Your dedication and commitment are priceless!

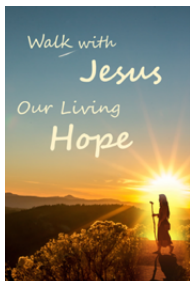
In the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, I have included an Irish Blessing ☺



## New Resources

Shared by Rose Pillay - Join Bishop Barron's NEW video series exploring the meditative depth, rhythmic beauty, and spiritual power of the ancient prayer of the **Rosary**  
<https://rosary.wordonfire.org/pray-the-rosary-with-bishop-barron>

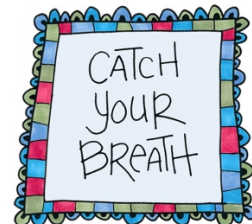
**FREE recorded webinar from BC Ministry of Education and Open Schools BC: Building Capacity in Planning for Literacy and Numeracy Instruction** invites educators to discover how numeracy and literacy are embedded in the curricular competencies in BC's curriculum. Instructional examples, strategies, and planning considerations can be applied across learning areas for both primary and secondary  
<https://ocr.openschool.bc.ca/mod/book/view.php?id=3326&chapterid=38500> (60 minutes)



Take good care!

Frances Roch, Coordinator Curriculum and Instruction

*We respectfully acknowledge the unceded ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh Nation in Prince George. The Tsimsian Nation in Prince Rupert. The Haisla Nation in Kitimat. The Wet'su'wen in Smithers. The Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta in Dawson Creek.*



## New Resources

All of the resources mentioned in this newsletter have been collected from school districts and educators across the province. Please be reminded that the links embedded within this document are meant to provide examples of "wise practice" across BC. They are not meant to overwhelm, but rather to support CISPGE educators with a repository of rich resources. I am grateful to school districts and educators across BC who so generously share their learning with us.

### Literacy

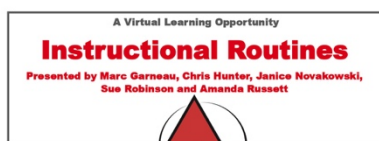
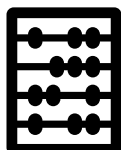


- Shared by **Historica Canada** @HistoricaCanada - What can Canadian history teach us about fake news and clickbait? Download our free education guide on critical digital literacy to find out:  
**Critical Digital Literacy Education Guide**



<http://education.historicacanada.ca/en/tools/645>

### Numeracy



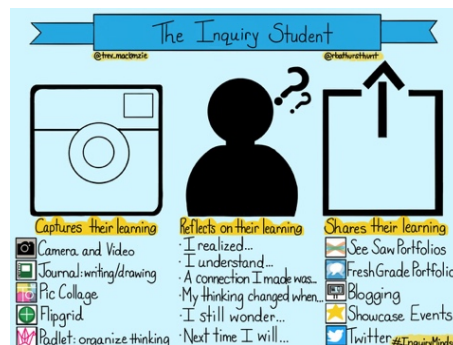
The **BCAMT** would like to invite you to participate in an upcoming virtual professional learning series with a focus on instructional routines that can be used in K-12 mathematics classrooms. Presenters include Marc Garneau, Amanda Russett, Janice Novakowski, Chris Hunter and Susan Robinson. To register: <https://secure.e-registernow.com/cgi-bin/mkpayment.cgi?state=2851>

- BC Reggio Inspired Mathematics Project March Newsletter:**  
<https://mailchi.mp/290a77355c35/test-newsletter-13368027?e=68b42ed032>
- "A Teacher's Guidebook for bringing learning outside" (55 page PDF)" - How can children learn math on the playground or in the school neighbourhood? How can we teach mathematical concepts as outlined in the curriculum out in nature? Some activities you can conduct with your students to invite learning **numeracy** outside of the classroom: [https://childnature.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/T.O\\_9\\_EN\\_A-Teachers-Guidebook-for-bringing-learning-outside-1.pdf](https://childnature.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/T.O_9_EN_A-Teachers-Guidebook-for-bringing-learning-outside-1.pdf)

### Explorations



- Shared by **Trevor Mackenzie** @trev\_mackenzie  
Each week I'm sharing an #inquiry sketchnote for you to use! Download them for free at <http://trevormackenzie.com> This week: "The Inquiry Student"
- Shared by **Canadian Geographic Education** @CanGeoEdu  
Have you ever wondered how wind, solar and tidal energy are harnessed to produce electricity? Check out our energy infographics in the resource section of our Energy IQ website to learn all about energy production.  
<https://energyiq.canadiangeographic.ca>



## PHE/SEL



- Shared by **DASH** @DASHBC: Looking for ideas to support mental health? @opheacanada has activity ideas to build self-connection for everyone: student, teacher, parent alike! From journaling to sounds of silence, get the full list with links at <https://teachingtools.ophea.net/activities/ide>
- Also shared by DASH - The **March Healthy Schools BC Newsletter** is hot off the press! Learn about: SEL Day @SEL\_Resources @KeltyCentre's New Interactive Tool @EverActiveAB's Podclass... Sign-up to get it straight to your inbox at <https://healthyschoolsbc.ca/healthy-schools-bc-resources/hsbc-newsletters/>
- The **Outdoor Learning Store** is now officially offering learning resources and equipment to educators across Canada. More details at: <http://outdoorlearningstore.ca>
- Also shared by **Outdoor Learning Store - FREE WORKSHOPS** - from the top names in Enviro Ed Register at <http://outdoorlearningstore.ca/workshops>
- Shared by **CASEL**: Did you know: March 26 is #SELDAY! All this month, we're sharing how #SEL can be infused into every aspect of students' educational experiences. Join SEL Day: <https://selday.org>
- Check out these great educational supports for 'learning through focused walking' from Education That Inspires! <http://educationthatinspires.ca/2016/01/25/a-w>
- Shared by **Kim Schonert-Reichl - K-12 Staff Wellbeing** @K12StaffWB  
We've added a great new resource to our site - **Building Stronger Teams** - focused on building your team's resilience and your own. Find it at <http://k12staffwellbeing.ca/resources>
- Shared by **Megan Venezia** @venezia\_megan  
Giving Ss the opportunity to show and express #gratitude supports their social and emotional learning. **Created a gratitude journal for Ss**. This can be shared in #GoogleSlides or you can use the individual pages as a background in #Jamboard to use as a class activity. <https://t.co/NQieJqPkFF?amp=1>

## Inclusive Ed



- The remaining **Inclusive & Competency Based IEP Learning Sessions** are open for registration with an incredible line up including Dr. Leyton Schnellert and Katie White! <https://eventbrite.ca/o/shelley-moore-30308766560>
- Also shared by **Shelley Moore**: In Jan, we looked at the 1st video in the "5P's of Inclusion" series, "The Importance of Presuming Competence." THIS month we connect to Indigenous world views and look at the second P: the role of PLACE! Here is a BRAND NEW 5MM Video! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VZeWXeadqmw>



## Indigenous Ed



- **Shared by Strong Nations** @strong\_nations  
World Water Day is March 22!  
This year's theme is Valuing Water. Our new water theme bundle has resources for doing just that – learning about, celebrating, and valuing water.  
Find it on our website: [https://strongnations.com/store/item\\_dis](https://strongnations.com/store/item_dis)

## Assessment



- Shared by Matt Townsley @mctownsley  
**Top 10 grading articles from 2020** <http://mctownsley.net/top-10-grading-articles-2020/>



- Shared by Dr. Catlin Tucker - **Collecting Data & Designing Differentiated Learning Experiences in Class or Online:** <https://catlintucker.com/blog-2/>

- Shared by Alberta Assessment - **Spring Assessment Series**

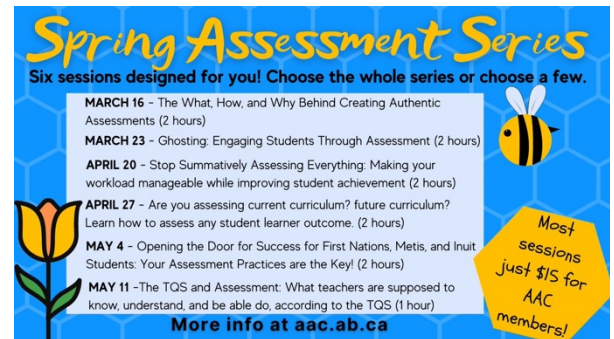
Join us for interactive and engaging online learning. For session descriptions:

<https://aac.ab.ca/events-and-workshops/aac-open-sessions/>

- Please check out the <http://allthingsassessment.info>

website for great support

materials and books written by the ATA Center's authors. #ATAssessment



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- **Engaging All Learners in The Middle Years**

This series is receiving rave reviews! You can still register for Webinar # 4:

**Webinar #4 - Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>** - Self-Regulated & Social Emotional Learning with Leyton Schnellert and Miriam Miller. To register and view Archived Webinars #1, #2, and #3 check out this link: <https://learn.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/webinars/> with thanks to SD #61 Greater Victoria School District.

- **Shared by ACBCED The Assessment Consortium of British Columbia** is honored to host the first-ever virtual conference on assessment for BC Educators by BC educators - **Saturday, April 10 from 9:00 - 11:30 am**. This free event is open to anyone interested in assessment in BC. For more information: <https://www.acbcce.ca/launch-learn>
- The **Educational Spring Fling K-12 Conference** is taking place virtually on **April 23rd!** Join educators and community members from **North Central BC** and beyond for a rich day of learning and connection. Please visit: <http://edfling.ca>.
- **Shared by Fountas & Pinnell @FountasPinnell** - Join us for a full-day virtual workshop at a Special 2021 Tuition Fee! **Thursday, April 8, 2021** or **Wednesday, May 12, 2021**. The Fountas & Pinnell Literacy Continuum A Tool for Assessment, Planning, and Teaching Presented by Fountas & Pinnell Consultants: <https://fpblog.fountasandpinnell.com/a-full-day-virtual-workshop-on-the-literacy-continuum>
- **Shared by NOIIE - Networks of Inquiry and Indigenous Education** Are you ready to turn up the volume on the areas of practice that make a real difference for learners? Join the conversation at the #noiie symposium **May 12-13**. Register here: <https://noiie.ca/2021-noiie-sym>
- On **Friday, May 21, 2021** the **Provincial Intermediate Teachers' Association (myPITA)** and the **BC Association of Teachers of Modern Languages (BCATML)** proudly presents an **Online Spring Conference**. Register at <http://mypita-spring.ourconference.ca>. The early bird rate is available until April 21, 2021.