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Literacy Quebec Newsletter

-November 2022-

Welcome, November!

We hope you are well and enjoying the sunny November we have been experiencing so far. As we welcome a change in the seasons, we are also welcoming new staff, new member organizations and new Ministers.

Distribution of books and resources has been a major feature of our last few weeks. A Halloween activity pack was a big hit and we also enjoyed promoting *I Read Canadian Day* on the 2nd of November.

This month we are hosting another workshop which is open to the public and as always we encourage everyone to request any resources they may have an interest in. All the information is below and on our website along with a **special announcement!**

Have a pleasant November!



We enjoyed some Halloween shenanigans at the office last week and were excited to have been invited to a Halloween party at Concordia University, here in Montreal.

[The Concordia University Student Parents Centre](#) (CUSP) hosted nearly 30 children and their parents on Friday, November 4th. Literacy Quebec provided a book for each child and a story telling session of *Room on the Broom* by Julia Donaldson, read by Niamh Devaney. The witchy classic was very well received we are happy to confirm!



Many Welcomes!

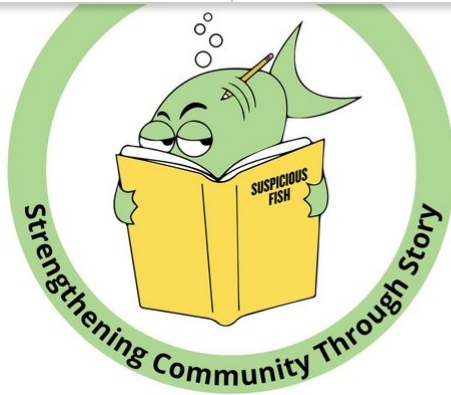
New Team Member at Literacy Quebec

We are glad to welcome **Zoe Welch** as the *Project Manager on the Empowering the English-Speaking Community of Quebec through Enhanced Literacy and Essential Skills Project*.

Zoe (pronounced with a long O, like Joe but with a Zed) has lived and worked in Vancouver (twice), Montreal (twice), the BC interior, and Miami; and, for a short time she lived in Quebec City, where she learned French while slinging cappuccinos and croque monsieurs. Zoe's professional life includes working in non-formal education, public culture, community-based engagement and social development, and as an artist and a maker—sometimes all at the same time.

[Read more about the newest member of our team here!](#)

New Member Organizations



We are excited to welcome two new member organizations to our network [Suspicious Fish](#) and [Mother Goose!](#)

“Both organizations have been working to support the English-speaking communities in their area by providing fun and exciting learning opportunities. We are so happy to expand and grow our network by formally welcoming them as new members.” - Margo Legault, Literacy Quebec Executive Director.

Read more about our newest members here on our [Blog post](#)

New Ministers

Mr. Bernard Drainville, MNA for Lévis, has been named the new Minister of Education. Mr. Eric Girard has been named Minister Responsible for Relations with English-Speaking Quebecers. Literacy Quebec looks forward to meeting them and collaborating with their offices.

Events

We've teamed up with [Éducaloi](#) to provide free legal information workshops to learners, staff and the general public.

WORKSHOP III: WILLS

Wednesday Nov 23 at 11am via Zoom

Led by Rick Goldman and Nihal Selim, this workshop will give an overview of wills and why it's important to have one. Topics to be covered:

- What is a will
- Why make one
- How to make one
- Who can help you make one
- The cost

Éducaloi is an organisation based in Montreal that strives to explain legal matters in plain, everyday, understandable language. We're so excited to be working with them for a second year!

[Register here](#)



This event is made possible with the financial support of the Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise.

Special Announcement: Family Literacy Week - January 2023



Family Literacy Week
with
**Jeremy
Fisher**

**Jeremy
and #
Jazzy**

**VIRTUAL
CONCERT**
January 21
at 11am EST
via Facebook Live

**EDUCATOR
TALK**
January 25,
at noon EST
via Zoom



We are “Over The Moon” to announce that Juno nominee and star of CBC Kids’ Jeremy and Jazzy, [Jeremy Fisher](#) will be joining LQ for not just one, but TWO virtual events for Family Literacy Week in January 2023. So, “Brush Your Teeth” and “Say Hello” to our very special guest!

Saturday, January 21 at 11 via Facebook Live - Jeremy will be doing a virtual concert for the whole family, including songs from his new tv show, [Jeremy and Jazzy](#). This is open to everyone!

Wednesday, January 25 at noon via Zoom - Jeremy will be back for a conversation with educators and caring adults to discuss his work making music for young listeners, families, and everyone alike! Feel free to bring questions you've always wanted to ask and sit down for a lovely and informative chat!

This is intended for educators, people working with children, and other interested grown ups.

Registration for the talk is now open.

For more information on Jeremy, his new show, and our events, click below! And check out our social media for the latest on these events and more!

[More information and Registration](#)

Resource highlight



**FAMILY
LITERACY**
Tool Kit



Literacy Quebec

- ▷ Resources
- ▷ Planning Guide
- ▷ Best Practices

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Our Family Literacy Tool Kit is a free resource available through our [website](#).

Literacy Quebec created this guide to provide information, inspiration, guidance and activity suggestions for hosting your own family literacy events. This is useful for

Funding for this second edition was provided by the Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise.

If you would like to find out more about the Tool Kit, please email us at info@literacyquebec.org or call 514 508 6805.

[Learn More](#)



Upcoming Dates

November - [Financial Literacy Month](#)

November 14-20 - [Early Childhood Week](#)

November 20 - [World Children's Day](#)

"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness."
- John Steinbeck

Be sure to check out our social media to keep up to date on all that's happening.

Until next month!

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