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Ramsay Kindergarten Orientation

Ramsay School



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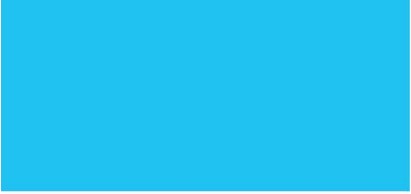
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The early years are a time of significant development in a child's life. Personalized attention is extremely beneficial to early learners.

At the Calgary Board of Education, we understand that children bring their own unique talents and gifts to their learning experience. Our dedicated staff know how to help children reach their full potential.



Learning Through **PLAY**

More than just skill building or practicing for the world we will grow into, play is the primary way which children manipulate new information, fit it into existing schema or create new ones and then adjust their understanding accordingly.

formulating **hypothesis**

engaging in experimentation and exploration

discovering patterns

creating **theories**

Learning Through *PLAY*



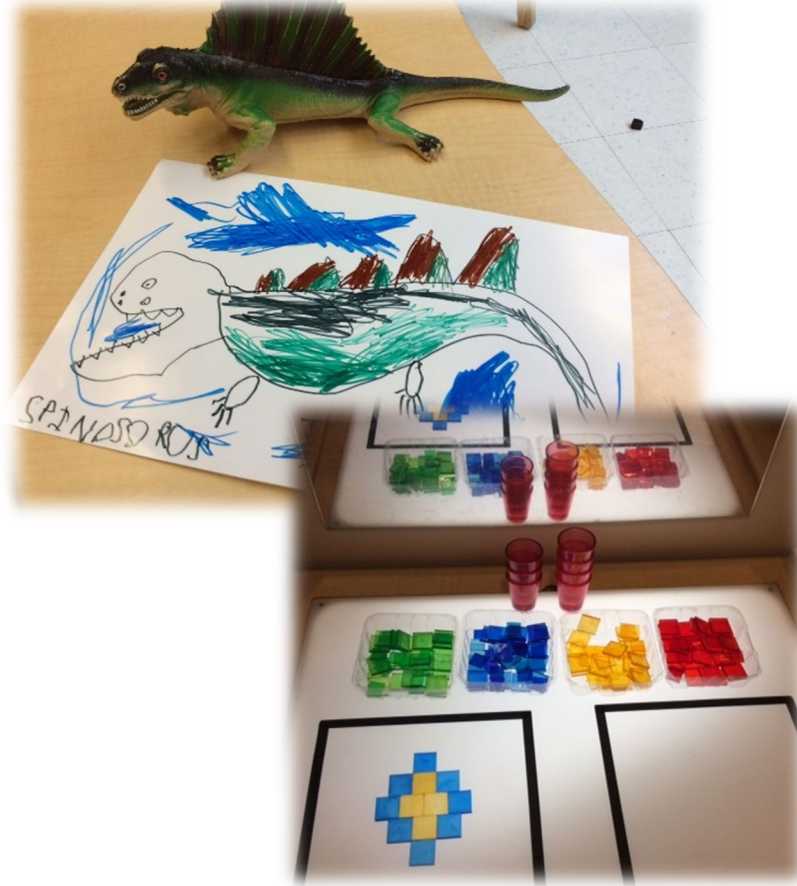
Learning Through PLAY



“Research shows that children who engage in complex forms of socio-dramatic play have greater language skills than non-players, better social skills, more empathy, more imagination, and more of the subtle capacity to know what others mean. They are less aggressive and show more self-control and higher levels of thinking”

~Miller & Almon

Early Literacy & Numeracy



Enhanced Supports



The classroom teacher is at the centre of your child's learning team and is supported by a school learning team. Based on classroom needs, each kindergarten program will also be supported by a multidisciplinary team that works with large and small groups in the classroom.

This team may consist of:

Education Assistants or Early Childhood Practitioners

Early Learning Strategists

Speech-Language Pathologists (SLPs)

Psychologists

Occupational Therapists (OTs)

Physiotherapists (PTs)

School Family Liaison (SFL)

Getting Ready for Kindergarten



Build your child's independence by encouraging them to:



- dress themselves (zippers, buttons)
- use the bathroom and wash their hands on their own
- put away toys and help out in other small ways at home
- practice opening and closing snack containers and using a water bottle
- play games, take turns and compromise
- develop a consistent bedtime routine



Getting Ready for Kindergarten



Read to your child every day:

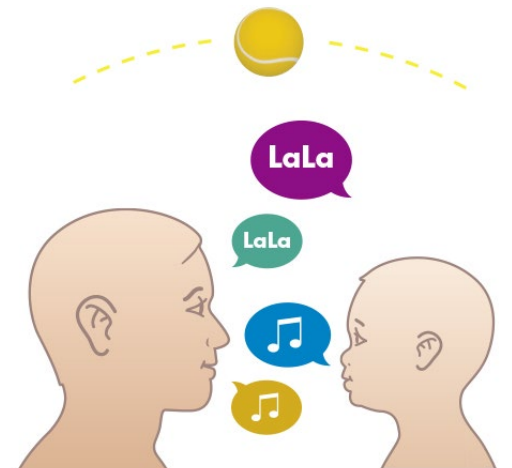
- read stories together in *your first language* to help your child develop vocabulary, listening and speaking skills
- enjoy reading different types of books: picture books, information books, nursery rhymes, poetry
- encourage your child to talk about the pictures and stories as you read together
- visit your community library (when possible)

Getting Ready for Kindergarten



Take time to talk with your child about everyday activities:

- share special activities together, such as walks to the park
- talk about what you are seeing and doing
- talk, read, sing and play in *your first language* every day
- praise children for their efforts and courage to overcome setbacks
- talk about how it is okay to make mistakes



Important Times & Dates

Please see our [webpage](#) for all information and important dates.



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September 2025							Year	Month	Week	Day	List
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat					
31	1 No Classes Labour Day	2 First Day of School	3	4	5	6					
7	8	9	10	11	12	13					

Transportation | Bussing



Registration for transportation is now open through MyCBE/PowerSchool.

Routes will be created over the summer for those families that have registered.

These will be shared by Transportation in the second half of August.



English Language Learners / New To Canada



- ELL instruction is integrated into all areas



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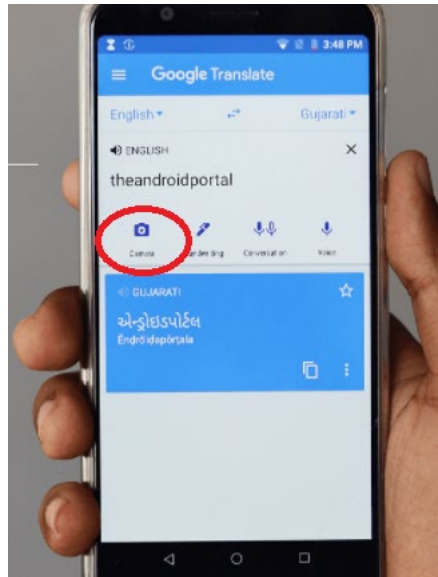
ALERT: KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 12 LEARNING FROM HOME
Starting Friday, May 7, most K-12 students will be learning at home. At this time, students are expected to return to in-class learning on Tues., May ... [View Full Details](#)

Kindergarten to Grade 6 Students Move to At-Home Learning [Read More](#)

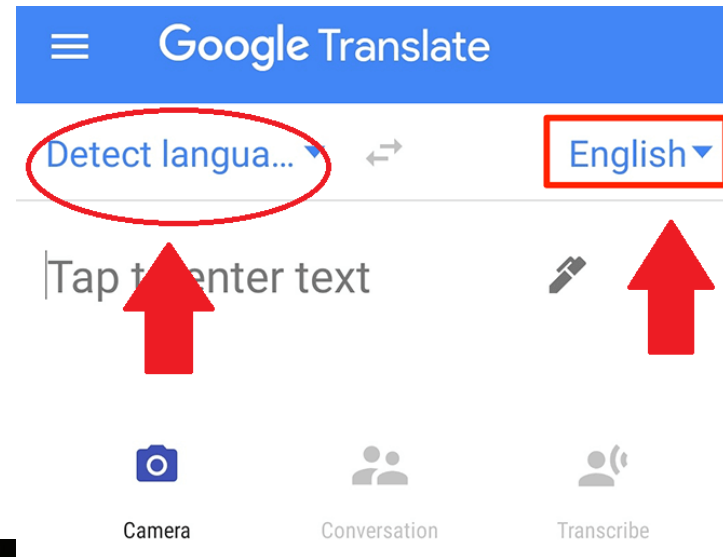
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Grade 7-12 At-Home Learning

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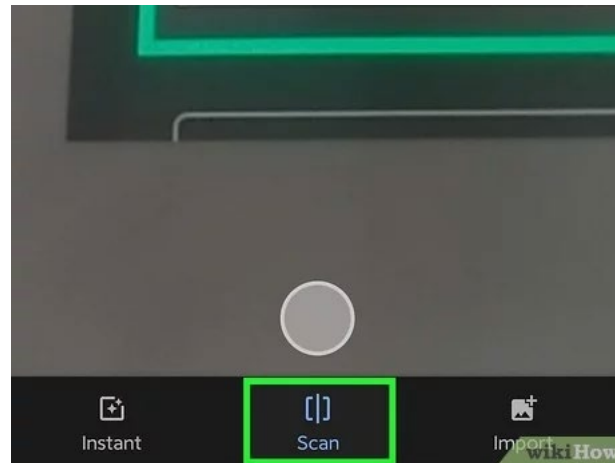


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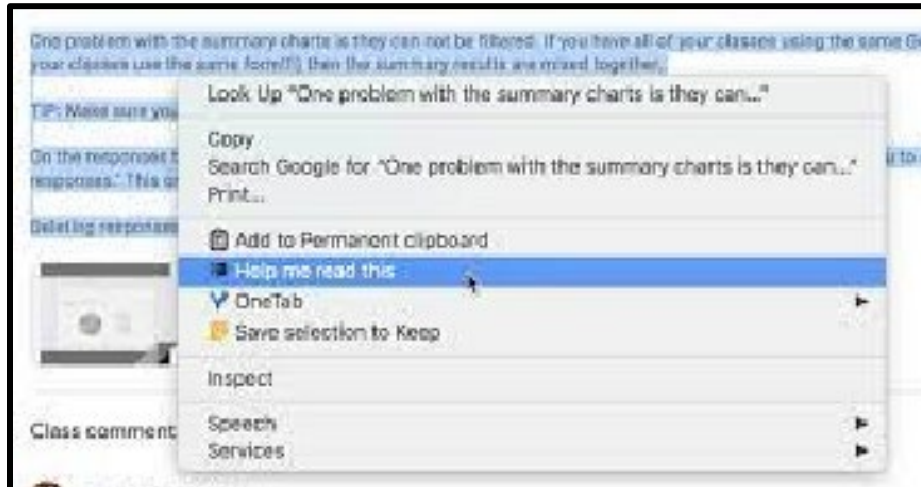
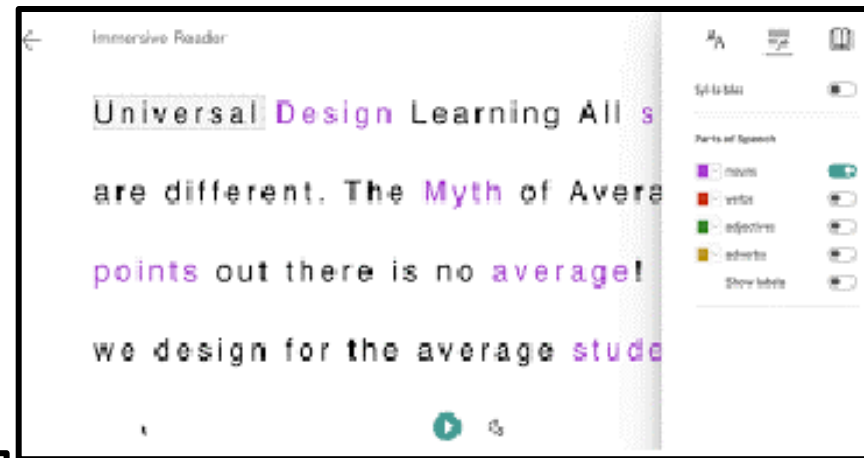
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Immersive Reader



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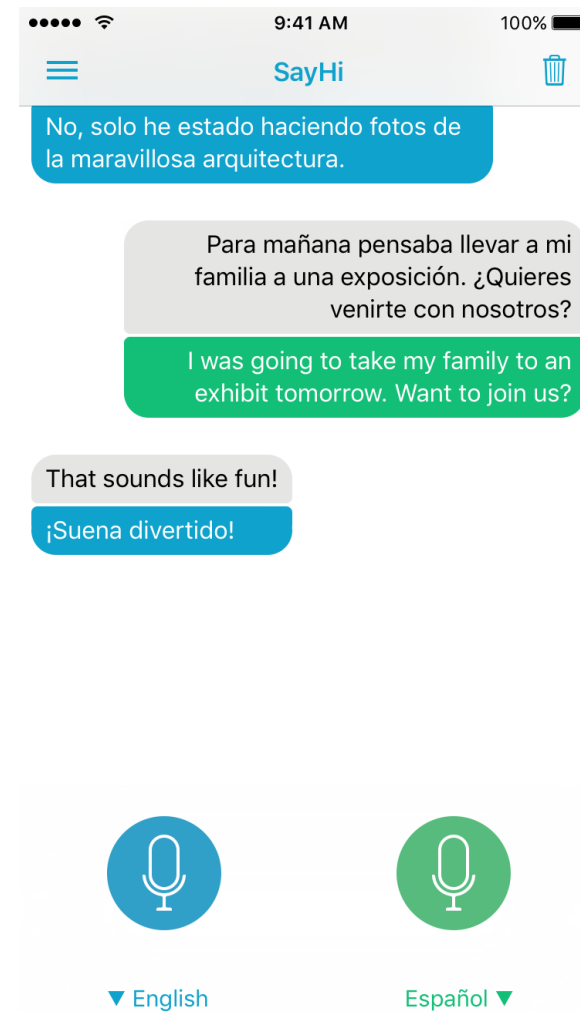
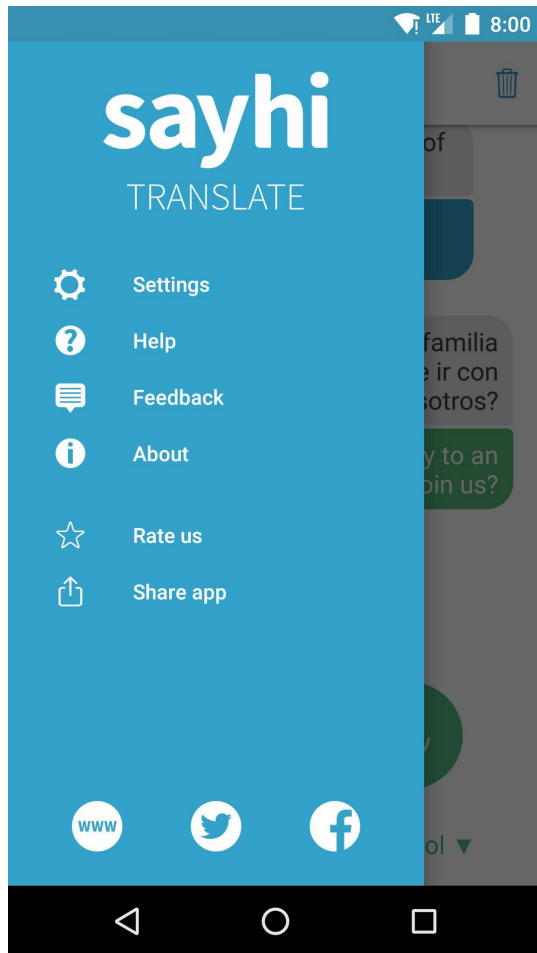
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SAY Hi App for Speaking Translation



First Day of Kindergarten



Kindergarten will begin on Tuesday, September 2.

You will receive a welcome email on August 29 from your teacher.

Entry

Kindergarten students will meet their teacher in front of the school.

AM Kindergarten: 8:30 am
PM Kindergarten: 12:15 pm

Dismissal

Students are dismissed to their parent or authorized pick-up person.
Teachers will collect this information on the first day of school.
PM Bus students will be helped to find the correct bus.

Additional Resources



The Calgary Public Library- Top Tips for Kindergarten Readiness*: <https://calgarylibrary.ca/library-news/kitchen-table-classroom-kindergarten-readiness/>



The Calgary Public Library- Kindergarten Booklist:
https://calgary.bibliocommons.com/list/share/393767397_calgarylibrary_kids/1859193931_books_to_get_ready_for_kindergarten?_ga=2.167944481.1601611572.1619640025-939542020.1599601380



I'm Ready for Screens- Parent Resource:
https://banff.ca/DocumentCenter/View/11018/ImReadyForScreens_English

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We are so excited to have
you join our Ramsay School
Community!