



## Play to Learn! June 1, 2022

### Edmonds Park - Outdoors!

**Burnaby Public Library's 'storywalk'**

*..... will help your child's development in the following areas:*



#### **Physical Health & Well-Being**

- Practice fine and gross motor skills (hand/finger movements; full-body actions)
- Reduce stress and increase happiness via 'fun' actions during story/songs
- Gain familiarity with and appreciation of the outdoors and a local park (via storywalk path)



#### **Language & Cognitive Development**

- Practice or learn new vocabulary and concepts (ie. opposites, colours, sounds) from story and songs
- Connect story's verbal/textual presentation with book's images
- Use creativity and imagination to mentally picture the story
- Use prior knowledge and exercise creativity to answer librarian's open-ended questions



### **Social Competence and Emotional Maturity**

- Experience group-based activity similar to library programs/school
- Help develop patience, emotional-regulation, and listening skills when participating
- Positive behaviour and action modelling by librarian, parents, and other youths
- Opportunity to interact with other children



### **Communication Skills & General Knowledge**

- Practice responding to or asking questions (as part of a group)
- Learn about the library (what it has, where it is, what you can do there)
- Learn miscellaneous facts from librarian banter (ie. animals, park plants)