



Courtenay Elementary SEY2K

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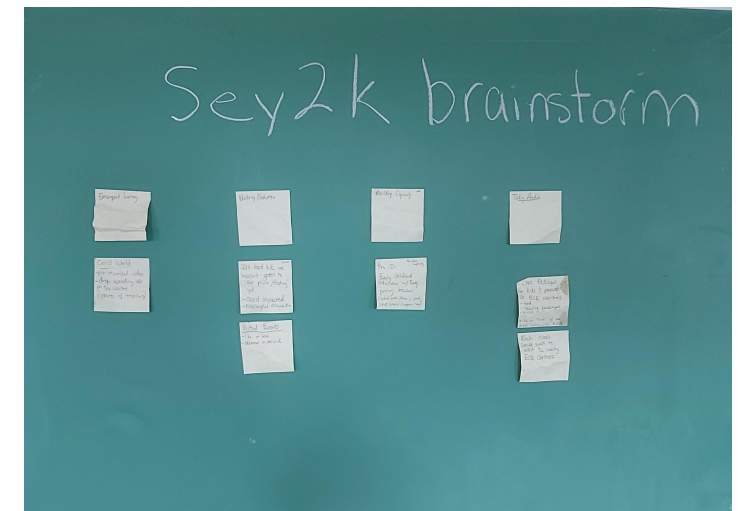
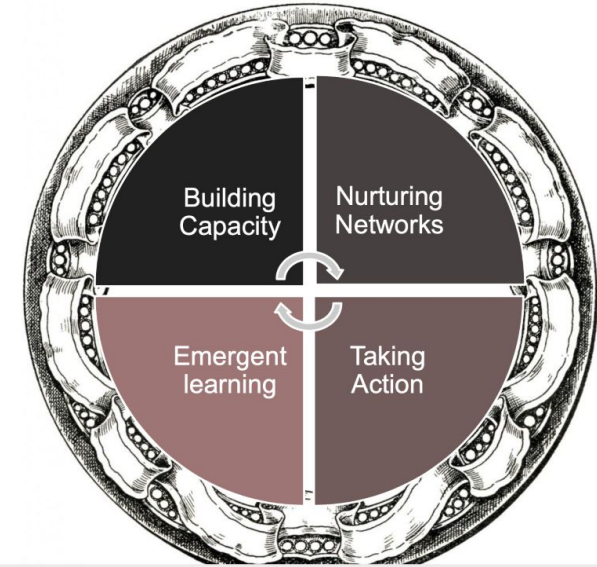
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In October, our 4 K/1 classes, StrongStart and our preschool program, Jumpstart, joined in painting pumpkins.

In April: our Team Brainstormed

- Our 4 K1 teachers and our StrongStart facilitator enjoyed connecting as a team and looked at the 4 pillars of the Compassionate Leadership system
- We focused on welcoming our new pre K's and "Nurturing Networks"; how we could support our network of Early Childhood Educators and Pre K's in this covid time.
 - To reach out to our Pre K's with a welcome phone call.
 - To visit local childcare centers



Phone calls



Welcome to school



Let them know about the WTK coming up next month



Ask if they had a questions or concerns

Back packs

- Merci chocolates for staff
- Cover letter thanking our ECE partners and introducing EY staff
- Book: 'Just A Walk' from Strong Nations
- Nature journals for the children- pages are blank for open ended expressions





Mr. Lo's class & Ms. Carlene walked to Clever Raven

The staff and children made a nice welcome sign for us.



Next, we visited Light House Early Learning Center





Mrs. Vincent's class and Ms. Carle K partnership children went to Willow daycare.

A text from Willow: "Thank you! It was a lovely treat to meet your class. We really appreciate the gifts. Such a lovely idea"



Ms. McFarlane and Ms. Boulet's classes visited Little Sparks Daycare

Getting ready to visit Jumpstart: **making connections**

- Ms. McFarlane talked to her class about how some of them attended the Jumpstart preschool.
- They practiced their favorite song to share with the preschoolers

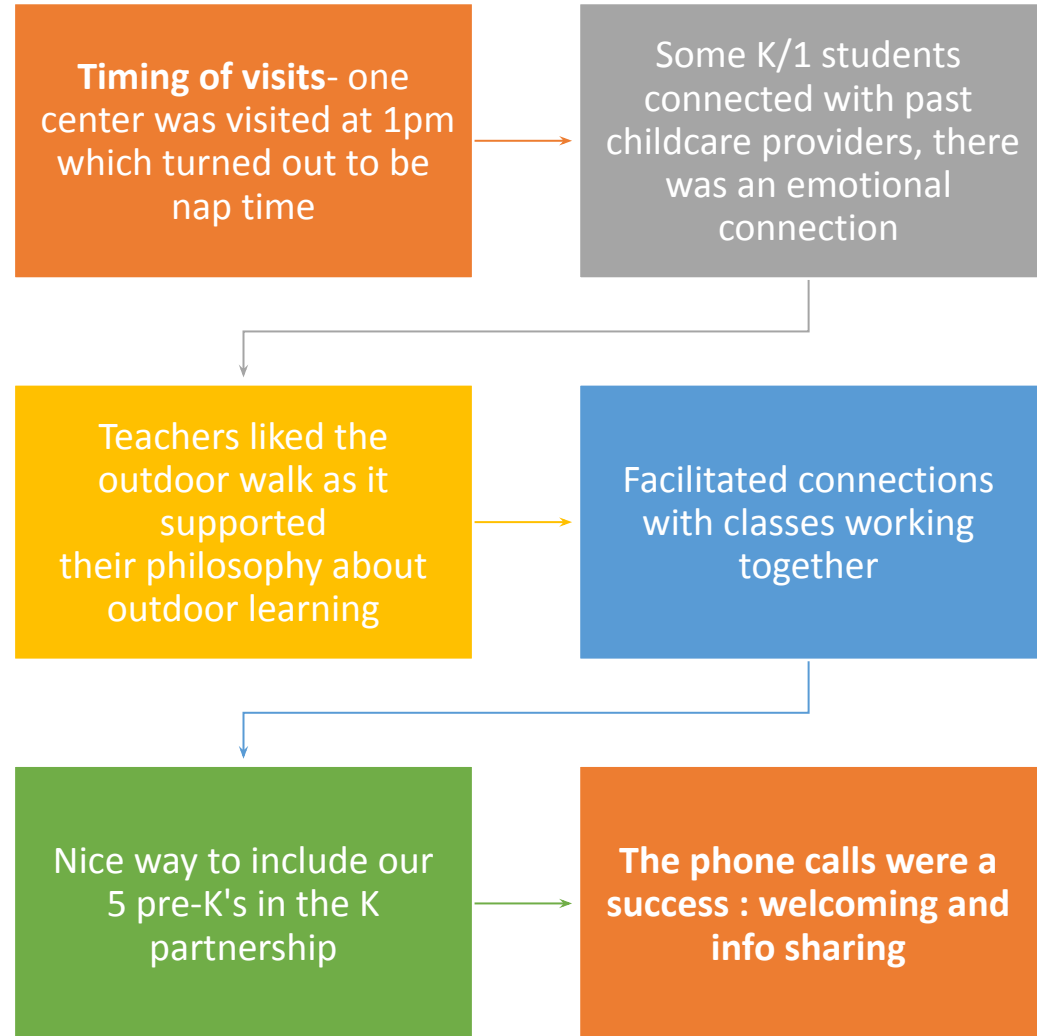


Now to visit our own school family of educators: JumpStart



- The kindergarten children sang their hand song...everyone liked it
- Ms Holly said " Thankyou this means a lot"
- Ms. Heather said "this came at a really good time we needed this today"

Learning and feedback





Next steps in a COVID world

We will do another visit in June- make a puppet or art gift, walk to centers and bring freezies for K/1 students to share with kids

Expanding on our K partnership with partner groups

- Our Indigenous Support Worker, Holly, will work together with Carlene at StrongStart to have K partnerships with our 10 Indigenous preK's (2 groups of 5) on Fridays for the month of June.

