

## **News Release**

## Literacy on the Move

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**Red Deer, Alberta** Holy Family School, St. Teresa of Avila School and Maryview School are participating in Literacy on the Move this month, where lawn signs will be displayed around the schools with the story "As Big as the Sky, As Tall as the Trees by Leah Yardley."

With summer weather along the way, students and their families will be invited to walk around the school and read the story! This initiative is in partnership with Ever Active Schools.

"We were excited about the idea of offering this 'moving story' to our students and their families. It is a great opportunity for our students any time we can combine literacy with physical activity. The story, 'As Big As the Sky, As Tall as The Trees' is a beautiful story about being in nature and trying to make your body move in rhythm with the natural world. We also valued the fact that this story brings in the First Nations, Métis, Inuit perspective. We hope our students and their families participate in this activity and spend some family time in nature," said Teacher, Jackie Weddell at Holy Family School.

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools serves over 10,480 students in 21 schools in Red Deer, Blackfalds, Sylvan Lake, Rocky Mountain House, Innisfail, and Olds. It also supports the learning of over 600 students in a Home Education Program. The Division is committed to serving children and parents with a complete offering of learning opportunities delivered within the context of Catholic teachings and within the means of the Division.

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