

CELEBRATING LUNAR NEW YEAR The traditional vi

d writing Chinese characters, decorating

a Ming vase, and creating colourful dragons for a puppet show. Students at Confederation Park Elementary had a virtual visit from a parent who shared what Lunar New Year means in her family. And Kindergarten students at Taylor Park Elementary performed a traditional dance in the hallway. Members of Burnaby North Secondary's Cantonese Club made decorations, as did others seen on display at Burnaby South and Burnaby Central secondary schools. At Edmonds Community School a class took it outside – performing their lion and dragon dance for each of the school's learning groups.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH: CELEBRATING AND LEARNING

Across the District students are participating in Black History Month. There are a variety of activities inside schools showcasing the proud heritage of the Black community, their joy, struggle, contribution, and achievement. This is the 25th year of Black History Month in Canada and 3000 students had an opportunity to hear directly from the person who brought forward that historic legislation – the Honourable Jean Augustine. The first Black woman elected as a Member of Parliament, she provided the official address at the Lifting Black Voices Youth Conference last week. It was put on in partnership with four other school districts and the National Congress of Black Women Foundation. Burnaby School District staff organized the virtual event in celebration of Black History Month. Many students, such as these seen at Alpha Secondary, watched as a group.

INDIGENOUS LEARNINGS IN BURNABY SCHOOLS Alpha

Elder Latash also led North students in drumming and song. The teens used drum sticks that they made themselves.

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