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BUILDING BRIDGES TO JAPAN

Last week, students in six of our secondary schools had the opportunity to meet and learn alongside visiting students from Tokyo's Nichidai Tsurugaoka (pronounce: Nick-i- day Sue - rue -gack - a) High School. The Japanese students were paired with "Canadian buddies" in the morning. In the afternoon, the Japanese students hosted an interactive cultural fair that showcased traditional

and MLI, a service provider for International Students, was a mutually beneficial learning experience.

EVERY CHILD MATTERS

Orange Shirt Day provides an opportunity for families and communities to come together in the spirit of hope for generations of children to come. It is recognized by schools participated by hosting school assemblies, 'paper shirts' or

Two weeks after Orange Shirt Day, Second Street Secondary hosted a Celebration of Aboriginal Culture. Students attended and enjoyed a dinner of salmon, bannocks. Aboriginal dancers performed and encouraged students were kept busy with craft activities that include cookie decorating. Special thanks goes out to

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

International Day of the Girl Child recognizes girls' rights and the unique political, social and economic challenges they face around the world. To create awareness, two events that focused on gender stereotypes in the media was organized by the United Nations Association in Canada in partnership with the Burnaby School District and AJC Media Group. The events kicked off with panel discussions made up of accomplished experts throughout Metro Vancouver. Then moderators Greg Neuman and Dawn Black helped guide participants in a collaborative discussion on how to counter the negative effects the media has on harmful gender norms. Almost 100 parents and youth attended these sessions that were held at Byrne Creek Centre for Dialogue.