Let's Review the Situation!

With a snap of a finger, the inaugural Suncoast Remake Learning Days festival and celebrations were over. In hindsight, this region rocked it!

Our community forged connections to strengthen families — highlighting the important role parents + caregivers, businesses, nonprofits, government, and the media have in working together toward a greater good and positive outcomes for our children and families.

This song parody captures some of the events and excitement shared by more than 10,000 attendees.

Lyrics: Beth Duda
Music Direction: Jim Prosser
Vocalist: Gil Brady
Video Production: Bill Wagy

Access the lyrics here to sing along!

[total time: 2 minutes 49 seconds]
Gregg Behr Comes to Town!

To celebrate the success of the inaugural Suncoast Remake Learning Days festival, Bookstore1Sarasota hosted a Q & A and book signing with co-author Gregg Behr, creator of Remake Learning.

Playful and practical, When You Wonder, You’re Learning introduces a new generation of families to the lessons of Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood. By exploring the science behind the iconic television program, the book reveals what Fred Rogers called the “tools for learning” skills and mindsets that scientists now consider essential.

These tools—curiosity, creativity, collaboration, and others—have been shown to boost everything from academic learning to children’s well-being, and they benefit kids of every background and age. They cost next to nothing to develop, and they hinge on the very things that make life worthwhile: self-acceptance; close, loving relationships; and a deep regard for one’s neighbor. With insights from thinkers, scientists, and teachers—many of whom worked with Rogers himself—the book is an essential exploration into how kids and their parents can excel at what Rogers taught best: being human.

The Patterson Foundation makes an effort to celebrate, value, and appreciate people and organizations working with the foundation to "make goodness
“attractive.” To honor those who dreamed, planned, created, and implemented hands-on learning experiences for families in Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee, and Sarasota counties, SCGLR invited event hosts to a delicious appreciation breakfast at GROVE with special guest Gregg Behr. Click here to access his presentation [PowerPoint].

Do you recognize yourself in the images below? If not, click here to access photographer Dale Smith's album.
As the end of the parody goes:

There were gaming, e-sports, butterflies
And dirt and soil to analyze
And aviation, building blocks
And Soar in 4 and even crocs.
And dancing, robots, sharks and song
With joy and learning all week long….

And wait…..next year we'll get to do it all again!

While there is much to be done before then, a BIG high five to our region for going above and beyond. Thank YOU for making a difference!

We welcome your thoughts. Contact us at info@GradeLevelReadingSuncoast.net.