

THIS WEEK AT KILMER

March 11, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR

March 12-27 - Spring Break
Monday, March 28 -School Re Opens -KPAC Purdy's Orders Due
Wednesday, April 6 -Class Photo Day tentative*
Monday, April 11 -KPAC Purdy's Pickup
Friday, April 15 -Good Friday NO SCHOOL
Monday, April 18 -Easter Monday NO SCHOOL
Thursday, April 21 -Como Lake Relays (gr 4/5)
Friday, April 22 - District Pro-D Day- NO SCHOOL
Friday, April 25-29 - Ultimate Frisbee PE Program
Friday, April 29 - Spirit Day: Backwards Day
Tuesday, May 10 - EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:50
Wednesday, May 11 - EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:50
Friday, May 20 - School Pro-D Day: NO SCHOOL

QUICK LINKS

- [Kilmer Website](#)
- [Online Absence Report](#)
- [SchoolCashOnline/KEY](#)
- [munch A lunch](#)
- [Parent EForms](#)
- [Daily Health Check](#)
- [Behaviour Matrix](#)
- [BC Gov - Safe Schools](#)
updated Mar 10/22
- [BC CDC K-12 Schools & COVID 19](#)
- [Microsoft Teams Instructions](#)
- [SD43 Maintaining a Healthy School](#)

If your child has COVID-19:

If your child tested positive and are managing their illness at home, you can end isolation when all three of these conditions are met:

1. At least 5 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
2. Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
3. Symptoms have improved.

If they still have symptoms:

They must continue to isolate for longer if they have a fever or are not feeling better. Presence of mild symptoms does not necessarily mean that you are contagious after 5 days. Most people recover within two weeks. Some people with more severe symptoms can take up to 12 weeks or more to feel entirely better.

If you are unsure or concerned, connect with your health care provider, call 8-1-1, or go to an Urgent and Primary Care Centre to be assessed.

Please visit BC CDC website for more information.

Next to family nurturing, school connectedness is the most important protective factor in a young person's life.

Dan Reist, Centre for Addictions Research of BC

Connectedness and belonging are the cornerstones of any community. These cornerstones are the foundation for and the influence of a child's development, their ability to self-regulation and to thrive emotionally, socially and academically.

With the support of our families, teachers, support staff and administration, we will strive to nurture a school climate and culture that ensures that all members of the community feel that Kilmer is their place.

It is not the absence of conflict that demonstrates a connected community. It is the manner in which differences are navigated.

The Provincial Health Officer and Ministry of Education will be providing further updates in the weeks ahead regarding other safety protocols for the K-12 setting which will be communicated to families prior to March 28.

Looking forward to reconnecting after the break.

Laurie Birnie, Principal

École Kilmer Elementary

DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

There has been an increase of dog poo being left in the areas where your students play. Please report unleashed dogs and/or irresponsible owners to the City of Port Coquitlam Bylaw



Bylaw Enforcement Tel 604.927.5440

Email: bylawservices@portcoquitlam.ca

At all times during student drop off and pick up, all dogs on District property must be:

- a. Licensed;
- b. Cleaned up after and have their waste removed;
- c. Leashed and under adult control (assistance dogs exempt) and
- d. Kept away from building entrances and play areas

LUNCH BOX THEATRE (grade 2-5)

KPAC has organized Lunch Box Theatre to run on Mondays & Wednesdays at lunch from April 4-May 18th.

Register between March 22-25.

The cost of registration is \$79. Follow the link below for more information and to Register [Home - Theatrix Youth Theatre Society](#)



DAILY HEALTH CHECK

Please ensure you perform a [Daily Health Check](#) on your child before they arrive at school.



As the cases in our community rise, it is important that we all follow the directions from Public Health. The BC CDC updated their guidance around close contacts and contact tracing. [Please visit their website for more information.](#) All parents are encouraged to review the [BC Ministry of Education's COVID-19 safe schools](#) plan.

Children must be 24 hours free of vomiting, diarrhea, or fever before returning to school

KILMER IS FUNDRAISING!

Please contact the PAC if you have any questions at 031-pac@sd43.bc.ca or view their Facebook Page for up to date information www.facebook.com/KilmerPAC



Purdy's Easter Fundraiser

Order online February 28-March 28

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/1364293-92795>

Pick Up- Monday, April 11th

Tell your friends!



PARENT PORTAL



School District 43 launched the Family Portal during the 2019-20 school year for Highschool students and will soon be available to Elementary Schools.

This will allow parents to view student contacts, report cards, schedules, attendance and more, specific to your son/daughter.

Once the parent portal is available to Kilmer families, we will no longer be sending home paper copies of report cards.

To prepare your family for the transition to the parent portal you must ensure that each guardian is using their own unique email as each contact will have their own unique username and password.

We are unable to use @sd43.bc.ca email addresses.

If you have any questions about the Family portal or need to update your email contact information, please email kilmer@sd43.bc.ca for assistance.



READING ROCKS- FEBRUARY & MARCH

Congratulations to our February & March Reading Rocks winners. Each winner chose two books as a prize for reaching their monthly reading goals.

Winners are: *Sienna, Ryder, Brielle, Devin, Lucian & Lyla*

VANDAL WATCH- HELP REDUCE VANDALISM ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Our school is being regularly hit by graffiti. If you see vandalism or other suspicious activity, call the tip line below. When you provide a tip, security personnel will be dispatched to investigate and if necessary, involve the police. Please call as soon as you suspect there might be a problem. Do not get in a confrontation yourself.

Tip Line: 604-927-7600 The Tip Line is available 24 hours a day.

All Vandal Watch tips are anonymous and confidential. When you provide a tip, no one will ask you for your name or phone number.

DAILY REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS



A reminder to please send your child with a mask each day. If possible, having additional clean masks available in their back should they need to change. Thank you for your assistance.



School routines are in full swing both at home and at school and we know that on occasion supplies such as; cutlery and other essentials will be left out of the lunch box. We have had quite several students asking for water bottles, forks, and spoons. The water bottle filling station located near the library is accessible to students throughout the day. We ask that you try to provide all the needed items your child will require to eat their lunch and snack.



At Kilmer, we practice west coast recess and lunch breaks which means, we go outside rain or shine every day. We all need a break with fresh air and the chance to run around, this helps our focus and ability to learn. We need students to come to school with clothing and footwear appropriate to the climate so that we can enjoy our breaks outside. We request each student to have an extra change of clothing hanging in their cloakroom or in their backpack.



OFFICE HOURS

Kilmer Elementary
1575 Knappen St
Port Coquitlam, BC V3C 2P8
604-941-3401
kilmer@sd43.bc.ca
www.sd43.bc.ca/school/kilmer

The doors to the school remain locked, please call the office at 604-941-3401 between 8:15-3:15 if you require assistance or email the school at Kilmer@sd43.bc.ca

If your child is going to be away, you're running late or they require an early dismissal please submit a Daily Absence Report Online. If your child (ren) will be late or absent for the day, please contact the school online or by email Kilmer@sd43.bc.ca by phone 604-941-3401 (answering machine on 24/7). If you child is late or being picked up early, please call the office first to sign them in or out. If you are picking up, we will notify the classroom teacher and they will be ready at their exterior door for pickup.

These procedures are very important for us to follow for student security.

[Report your Student's Absence Online](#)





LUNCHBOX THEATRE

PRESENTS

Go from Zero to Hero as you sing, dance and act in a mini-production of:

HERCULES

This is a PAC Fundraiser for Kilmer Elementary.



**Register between
March 22- 25**

The class can accommodate 20 students.
Open to grades 2-5

Price includes all materials.

See below for full details.

APRIL 4 – MAY 18

Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 to 12:45 pm in the gym.

The final performance will take place at 1:15 on May 18th. If a live performance is not possible at this time it will be recorded for families instead.

Fee per student: \$79

TO REGISTER AND PAY FEES: www.theatricalyouththeatre.com

SOME HELPFUL HINTS TO SUCCESSFULLY REGISTER ONLINE:

1. You no longer need an account to register. Registration and checkout can be done as a guest, if preferred.
2. Find your program listed on the menu under SCHOOLS – LUNCHBOX THEATRE, then be sure to click on the correct school.
3. Each child must be registered separately.
4. Fill out the registration form. You will receive a confirmation email that your registration was received. When the registration window closes if more than 20 registrations have been received a randomized lottery will take place and you will be emailed with either a link to complete payment or to be informed you are on the waitlist. If less than 20 registrations are received everyone will be sent the link to pay and registration will remain open until the program is full.
5. Payment options: Paypal, credit card

*PLEASE NOTE: By registering for this program, your child is now considered a Theatrical member. The following policies are attached to this program. While directors take reasonable steps to prevent injuries to students, some degree of risk is inherent in the nature of activities and may occur without fault on the part of the student, school board, its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your child to participate in this activity, you are agreeing that the activity described above is suitable for your child, and that there is a risk of injury associated with the activity. *** This is not a theatre production, but a work in progress, and the primary objective is to introduce the students to the performing arts in a safe and fun environment! ****