

# THIS WEEK AT KILMER

November 5, 2021

## IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR

<b>Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup></b> -Student Portrait RETAKES 1pm***
<b>Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup></b> KPAC Neufeld Fundraiser Pickup 2:30pm
<b>Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup></b> Remembrance Day- School closed
<b>Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup></b> Early Dismissal- 1:40pm
<b>Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup></b> Report Cards go home
<b>Friday, December 17</b> Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
<b>Tuesday, January 4</b> School Reopens
<b>Monday, January 24</b> School Based Pro-D Day- no school



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This is a good time to think about pedestrian safety, as we reset our clocks this weekend on November 7<sup>th</sup>, clocks fall back an hour.

The following tips have been shared by ICBC.

### Tips for pedestrians:

- Be careful at intersections. Watch for drivers turning left or right through the crosswalk. Drivers may be focused on oncoming traffic and not see you.
- Don't jaywalk - always use crosswalks and follow the pedestrian signs and traffic signals.
- Make eye contact with drivers. It can be hard to see pedestrians when visibility is poor. Never assume that a driver has seen you.
- Remove your headphones and take a break from your phone while crossing the road.
- Be as reflective as possible to make it easier for drivers to see you in wet weather, at dusk and at night.

### Tips for drivers:

- Focus on the road. Always leave your phone alone while driving.
- Be ready to yield to pedestrians, especially when turning at intersections and near transit stops.
- If a vehicle has stopped in front of you or in the lane next to you, it may be yielding for a pedestrian.
- Expect the unexpected, even mid-block, as pedestrians may be jaywalking.
- Slow down. Give yourself more time to react to the unexpected, like a pedestrian that suddenly appears in front of you

2021-2022 Bell Schedule	
8:45 Start Time	
8:45-10:35	Instructional Time
10:35-10:50	Recess
10:50-12:00	Instructional Time
12:00-12:15	Eating Time
12:15-12:46	Lunch Break
12:46-2:40	Instructional Time
2:40 Dismissal	



**We are still missing several important REQUIRED and optional forms**

Please ensure you have completed the following:

  
  


[Medical Alert Forms](#)  
[School Policies Form](#)  
[Munch-A- Lunch Account](#)

  


[Student Agenda Fee](#)  
[Fruit & Veggie Permission](#)

QUICK LINKS
<a href="#">Kilmer Website</a>
<a href="#">Online Absence Report</a>
<a href="#">School Cash Online/KEV</a>
<a href="#">munchAlunch</a>
<a href="#">Parent EForms</a>
<a href="#">Daily Health Check</a>
<a href="#">Behaviour Matrix</a>
<a href="#">BC Gov - Safe Schools</a>

## PHOTO RETAKES- Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> @1pm

Edge Imaging will be back on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> to photograph any staff or students that missed the opportunity to have their 2021-22 portrait taken, or anyone who requires a retake. Photos will be taken at 1pm

**[Please complete the online form if your child requires a retake](#)**

## WEST COAST RECESS

At Kilmer Elementary students need to be prepared for a West Coast Recess and Lunch. We know that if kids are well prepared to be outside in the rain they actually enjoy it. As long as they stay dry and warm there is a great deal of fun to be had in all kinds of weather. To be prepared to be outside in the rain it is important for your child to have appropriate clothing such as:



- Rain Jacket
- Rain Pants/Muddy Buddy
- Rubber Boots
- Umbrella
- A complete Change of Clothes to stay At School



## SCENT AWARE

Did you know that all School District 43 sites are SCENT AWARE? All staff, students and visitors are strongly encouraged to avoid or reduce the use of fragranced products, and to replace them with unscented alternatives. Although the mechanisms by which fragrance chemicals act to produce symptoms are not yet understood, the impact on all those affected can be quite severe, resulting in great difficulty in work and study activities. Please avoid sending your children to school with heavily scented items, **including hand sanitizer**. The district has supplied our school with ample amounts of sanitizer that are both scent aware and safe for the fight against Covid-19.

### Symptoms including:

- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Sinus congestion
- Wheezing
- Shortness of breath
- Dizziness
- Anxiety
- Anger
- Nausea
- Fatigue
- Mental confusion
- Inability to concentrate

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## POPPY DONATIONS

The Royal Canadian Legion has delivered Poppies for every Kilmer Student and Staff Member, to be distributed on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be collecting Poppy donations from November 8-12. Please consider sending a Poppy Donation with your child.



## DAILY HEALTH CHECK

Please ensure you perform a [Daily Health Check](#) on your student 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 CDC has produced a document to help if you or your student have been a [close contact](#) of a person with Covid-19. All parents are encouraged to review the [BC Ministry of Education's COVID-19 safe schools plan](#).

## 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.*



## CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS FOR EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS

In the case of extreme weather conditions such as ice, wind and/or excessive snowfall, the Superintendent of Schools has authority on behalf of the Board, to temporarily close a school. As a general expectation, parents should assume that schools are open. If parents believe the local conditions are unsafe, they should keep their child at home or arrange his/her early dismissal. **If schools are to be closed before morning classes begin, an announcement will be made on local radio stations CKNW (980), CKWX (1130) and CBC (690) by 7:30 am if possible.**



## DISTRICT RESOURCES

**Vaping Prevention Resources:** As part of the Province's ongoing work to combat the surge in youth vaping, the Youth Advisory Council for Anti-Vaping and the Minister of Health created the [BC Lung Toolkit](#) with new classroom presentations for Grades 5-7 and 8-10, and a video. These resources are intended to support school administrators, educators and parents in talking to children and youth about the risks of vaping. [https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/kilmer/Publications/Vaping\\_Families\\_sec020420.pdf](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/kilmer/Publications/Vaping_Families_sec020420.pdf)

## KILMER IS FUNDRAISING!



Consider purchasing Mabel's Labels to help identify your child's belongings.

Visit [https://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/) and search for "Kilmer Elementary" to support our school.



**Return It Express Fundraiser!**  
École Kilmer Elementary School is registered with Return It Express Recycling in BC.  
Our return it code is: **604-941-3401**

## STUDENT ABSENCES

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, before 8am. Report your Student's Absence Online

## OFFICE HOURS

### Kilmer Elementary

1575 Knappen St  
Port Coquitlam, BC V3C 2P8  
604-941-3401  
kilmer@sd43.b.ca  
[www.sd43.bc.ca/school/kilmer](http://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](mailto:Kilmer@sd43.bc.ca)***

