

THIS WEEK AT KILMER

November 6, 2020

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Next week we will be commemorating Remembrance Day and like many of our traditions during the time of COVID, it will look a little different. Even though we will be meeting online, socially distancing from each other, we will be together to share this moment in recognition of those who have served in our country's defense, some who gave their lives in that service.

Remembrance Day marks the end of hostilities during the First World War. On this day we also recognize the service and sacrifices made by Canadians in other conflicts around the world including World War II, the Korean War, the Gulf War, the Kosovo War, and the Afghan war.

Over the years, Remembrance Day has also become a time to pledge our commitment to peace in our communities, our country and our world. We do this so that the service of those who have defended our country is not in vain.

Parents are welcome to join us in our virtual Remembrance Day Assembly. On Tuesday, November 10th at 10:35 am

It can be difficult for young children to understand this day, its significance and the somber nature of our ceremony.

"You can best honour them by using this day as a way to teach kids about both the honour and courage these people displayed in the course of performing their duties, as well as the valuable lessons they have taught us (namely, that the fighting of any war comes at too high a cost). In the end, Remembrance Day can provide an excellent way to instill your children with an understanding of the ramifications of war and give them a reason to work towards a more peaceful world." -Sarah Danielson on parentscanada.com

QUICK LINKS

- [Kilmer Website](#)
- [Stage 2 Health & Safety Protocols: K-12](#)
- [Online Absence Report](#)
- [School Cash Online/KEV](#)
- [Parent EForms](#)
- [Subscribe to our Calendar](#)
- [Kilmer's Terry Fox Run Donations](#)
- [Daily Health Check](#)
- [Care of Cloth Masks](#)
- [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#)

IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 10th- Photo Retake Day

Wednesday, November 11th- Remembrance Day, School Closed

Thursday, November 19th- Fruit & Veggie Day: Spartan Apples

Tuesday, November 24th- Neufeld Farm Orders Due (KPAC)

Thursday, November 26th- Purdy's Orders Due (KPAC)

Thursday, December 3rd- Fruit & Veggie Day: Granny Smith Apples

Friday, December 4th- KPAC Fundraising Order Pick Up

Tuesday, December 8th- 1:40pm Early Dismissal

Thursday, December 17th- Fruit & Veggie Day: Halo Mandarin Oranges

Friday, December 18th- Last Day Before Winter Break

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, November 10th @ 10:35am

The link will be posted to the School District 43 Website for those who wish to join from home.



Each student will be provided with a Poppy on Tuesday Morning.

Classroom teachers will be collecting Poppy Donations on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week, please donate to our Veterans if you can.

BEHAVIOUR MATRIX

Now that the routines have been set inside and outside of the building, we will be focusing on the behaviour expectations in the coming days. You can review the [Behaviour Matrix](#) at home.

LOST AND FOUND

Due to COVID-19 The Lost & Found is temporarily unavailable. Please send your child with only the necessary items for the day; toys and personal items should be kept at home. Food and containers should not be taken outside of the classroom.

Students are assigned to designated play areas and remain within their Learning Group for the duration of the day which should allow their items to be easily accounted for. If you arrive to pick up your child to find they have misplaced their jacket, please check with the classroom teacher, and look at their designated play area. If you still can not find the item, or you have something missing from September or October- please send a description of the item to the classroom teacher and we will do our best to locate it.

Labelling items such as shoes, jackets & water bottles will improve the likelihood of being reunited. [Mabel's Labels](#) offers an ongoing Fundraiser to Kilmer Elementary. You can connect to Kilmer under the "Support a Fundraiser" tab.

PHOTO RETAKE DAY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

Please complete the [online form](#), to indicate your child requires a Retake, or if your child has not already had their photo taken.

Photographs will be taken AFTER the lunch period on Tuesday, November 10th. If you have not already done so,

the Portrait Day Permission Form is required and accessible on [School Cash Online/KEV](#)



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ILLNESS POLICY

All students & staff must perform a [Daily Health Check](#) before coming to school and stay home when sick.

Your child must stay home for at least 24 hours if they have any of the following symptoms:

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| -Fever | -cough |
| -shortness of breath | -worsening of chronic cough |
| -vomiting | -loss of taste |
| -diarrhea | -loss of smell |
| -nausea | -chills |

If symptoms do not improve or worsen after 24hrs you **must seek** a Health Assessment before returning to school. A health assessment can include calling 8-1-1, a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner, or going to a COVID-19 testing centre.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, your child can return to school when symptoms improve and they feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. Not COVID-19).

If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because the person or parent chooses not to have the test or a health assessment is not sought when recommended, and the person's symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, they should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then may return if feeling well enough.

If the COVID-19 test is positive, the person should stay home until they are told by public health to end their self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.

If the COVID-19 test is negative, the person can return to school once symptoms have improved and they feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless the person develops a 6 new illness. BCCDC has information on receiving negative test results.

If a child starts showing symptoms of which could be Influenza or COVID-19 while at school, they will be instructed to put on a mask and moved to the Isolation Room. Parents will be contacted and must plan arrangements to have their student picked up right away. Parents **must seek** a Health Assessment for their child, and students should not return for at least 24 hours.

A MESSAGE FROM KPAC

031-pac@sd43.bc.ca

Purdys - Just a reminder that Purdys orders are open until **November 26th** and will be delivered to the school for pick up on Monday, December 4th



Neufeld Farms - We will once again be participating in the Neufeld Farms fundraiser. Ordering opens on November 9th on [Munch a Lunch](#) and must be in by **November 24th**. Neufeld Farms will be delivering orders to the school for pick up on Friday, December 4th at 2:30.



Cobbs Fundraiser - We have added a new fundraiser this year supporting the school as well as local businesses. When you are shopping at Cobbs Bread at Oxford Market, all you need to do is mention that they are raising "dough" for Kilmer and 5% of the total sale will go to our PAC.



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](#)

*We ask that any students arriving **AFTER 9:30 am** report to the main entrance. If you are picking your child up for an appointment during the lunch break, it is helpful if you can plan to pick them up at 11:45 from their classroom door.*


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OFFICE HOURS

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. We ask that your child arrives prepared for their day.



COBS BREAD

RAISE SOME DOUGH

KILMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mention Kilmer Elementary School and COBS Bread Oxford Market will donate 5% of your purchase to the school.

ENJOY A FREE LOAF
WITH THE PURCHASE OF A 6-PACK OF MINI CINNAMON BUNS

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RAISING DOUGH

YOU ARE INVITED TO A



Virtual SD43 Remembrance Day Assembly

November 10th at 11:00 am

A link to the assembly will be posted on the school district website (www.sd43.bc.ca) on the morning of Nov. 10th.

This year, we have created a Remembrance Day Assembly that all families can participate in from any location. In preparation for the assembly, you might:

1. Learn the stories of relatives or ancestors who were impacted by war.
2. Make a wreath or a poppy. Need some ideas to get you started? [Click here.](#)
3. Practice the shared song, "Ode to Peace" which we will sing during the assembly. Classes across the district are practicing, too. Here is a link to the song: [Click here!](#)



Lest We Forget

