

# THIS WEEK AT KILMER

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

November 12, 2021

**Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding.”  
—Albert Einstein**

Over the past week, our Social Emotional Theme has been Peacefulness. In our Morning Announcements we have explored ways to stay calm and to solve problems with each other peacefully. We thought about peace in our school, in our community and in our world.

Next week, our goal will be Enthusiasm! I can't wait, it is going to be great!

### 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.

### READING LINKS

This Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Van Sickle has arranged a virtual presentation from the Fraser Valley Library team. They will be doing book talks for the Reading Link Challenge books for this year. Kilmer Reading Link Challenge will be off and running. It is a fun challenge for grade 4-5 students if they are interested. They are put into teams of 6 students and are given 6 books to read. Then in the **Spring**, we host the Kilmer Challenge. In the challenge, each team will try to answer questions about the books (likely virtually like last year). For more information about the Reading Link Challenge (including the books in this year's challenge) please visit: <http://www.readinglinkchallenge.ca/titles.html>



**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](#)

### 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**



### 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.



### HOT LUNCH IS NOW READY FOR ORDERS

Please visit [munchalunch.com](http://munchalunch.com) to place your orders for hot lunch:  
 Fri, Nov 26 - Subway Hot Lunch - **orders due Wed, Nov 17**  
 Thurs, Dec 9 - Cob's Bread Treat Day (recess) - **orders due Tues, Nov 30**  
**Should you have any questions please contact KPAC @ [031-pac@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:031-pac@sd43.bc.ca)**

IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR
<b>Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup></b> KPAC munchAlunch due
<b>Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup></b> KPAC plant fundraiser due
<b>Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup></b> - KPAC Hot Lunch Day- Subway - Kilmer Spirit Day- Red & Blue
<b>Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup></b> KPAC munchAlunch due
<b>Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup></b> Early Dismissal- 1:40pm
<b>Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup></b> KPAC plant fundraiser pickup
<b>Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup></b> KPAC Snack Day (@Recess)
<b>Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup></b> Report Cards go home
<b>Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup></b> Pyjama Day
<b>Friday, December 17</b> Last Day of Classes before Winter Break
<b>Tuesday, January 4</b> School Reopens
<b>Friday, January 21</b> Spirit Day- Jersey Day
<b>Monday, January 24</b> School Based Pro-D Day- no school

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	

QUICK LINES
• <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>

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## 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.**

## 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

## 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!



mabel's labels

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**

## WINTER PLANT FUNDRAISER NOW OPEN

KPAC is fundraising with a Holiday Plant fundraiser. Please consider supporting us and stepping up your holiday decor at the same time! <https://kilmerpac.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>  
Orders will be accepted on the website until Nov 23, and can be picked up on Dec 8, in time to fill your house with cheer.



## 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](#)

*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)*



# THIS WEEK AT KILMER

COMMUNITY NEWS



Warm feet,  
warm heart.

REALTORS Care®  
Blanket Drive

November 15-22, 2021

November 15-26th Kilmer Parent and KPAC Vice President, Lynn Bradshaw will be collecting new or gently used Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Coats, Warm Clothing, New Socks & New Underwear for the Local real estate REALTORS Care Blanket Drive.

**Please contact her directly at [lynnbradshaw@kw.com](mailto:lynnbradshaw@kw.com) or 778-998-3746 if you have any donations.**