

THIS WEEK AT KILMER

December 18, 2020



Through the years
We all will be together
If the fates allow
So hang a shining star upon the highest bough
And have yourself a merry little Christmas now*

**lyrics from Have Yourself a Merrily Little Christmas Now*

Thanks so much to everyone for your kind contributions to our community. You have made all the difference and we are very grateful.

Happy Holidays to you! Best Wishes for a very happy New Year.
See you next year!

- on behalf of all the Kilmer Staff

IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR

Monday, January 4th

- School Re Opens from Winter Break
- KPAC Meeting

January 7th-13th

- Program Of Choice Registration Opens (for 2020-2021 Kindergarten & Grade 6)

February 2-5th

- 2021 Kindergarten Registration

February 5-10th

- Cross Catchment Applications Due (online)

JANUARY 4, 2021

Schools will reopen with the regular 8:40-2:40 bell schedule on Monday, January 4th. On this first day back to school, please ensure you send with your child their inside shoes, rain gear & extra clothes as they were sent home with students during this final week of school. At this time, teacher's may have requests for additional school supplies. Any changes to our schedule or return to school will be communicated to Parents via email and will be posted to the website. If you child will be absent on the first day of school please submit an [Absence Report](#). Please refer to the district website for more information, including snow closures.

KILMER WEAR UPDATE

Unfortunately, Textile Innovations was unable to fulfill the entire order before Christmas. All items that were available were sorted by KPAC, and sent home with Students on Thursday. Those that ordered shorts, or zipped hoodies will receive them after the Holidays. If you would like to cancel the items that have not yet arrived, please contact the office at kilmer@sd43.bc.ca to process your refund.

If you have any questions or concerns about the items you received, please contact KPAC at 031-pac@sd43.bc.ca

FRENCH IMMERSION PARENTS

Dont forget to register incoming French Immersion Kindergarten siblings during the Program of Choice Online Application process **January 7th-13th**. More information will be posted online at www.sd43.bc.ca

Dear Parents, Fraser Health will continue to provide COVID-19 Notification Letters over the Winter Break. SD43 schools will continue to support Fraser Health by forwarding these letters to staff and families during this time. A reminder that if you have questions in regard to COVID-19 or the contact tracing process to please either contact the COVID-19 Call Centre at 604-918-7532 or call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1.

THIS WEEK AT

ILLNESS POLICY

All students, staff and visitors 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:

- Fever
- shortness of breath
- vomiting
- diarrhea
- nausea
- cough
- worsening of chronic cough
- loss of taste
- loss of smell
- 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 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.**

KPAC IS FUNDRAISING!



Cobs Fundraiser - Visit COBS Bread at Oxford Marker (2020 Oxford Connector, Port Coquitlam) and mention "Kilmer Elementary School" and COBS Bread will donate 5% of the purchase to the school.

NEW! Return It Express Fundraiser!

École Kilmer Elementary School is now registered with Return It Express Recycling in BC.

Our return it code is: **604-941-3401** *updated



Alternatively, if you would like to request an Express Bag label, please contact PAC at: 031-pac@sd43.bc.ca!



NEW! Provincial Fundraiser

Use Code "KPAC" during the checkout process of your next Online Order, and a percentage will be donated to Kilmer!

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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. **If your student is on the GTS Program, please put in their absences for January 2021.**

[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.*

Kilmer Elementary

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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.

RAISING DOUGH

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



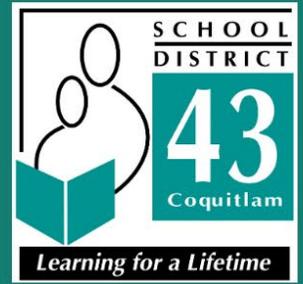
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IMPORTANT REGISTRATION AND APPLICATION DATES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022



www.sd43.bc.ca



**Kindergarten
Registration**

**Wednesday, January 27, 2021 to
Thursday, February 4, 2021**

**Early French
Immersion Application**

**Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 9 am to
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 4 pm**

**Late French
Immersion Application**

**Friday, January 8, 2021 at 9 am to
Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 4 am**

**Early Montessori
Application**

**Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 9 am to
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 4 pm**

**Late Montessori
Application**

**Friday, January 8, 2021 at 9 am to
Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 4 am**

**Mandarin Bilingual
Application**

**Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 9 am to
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 4 pm**

**Reggio Influenced
Application**

**Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 9 am to
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 4 pm**

**Cross Catchment
Application**

**Friday, February 5, 2021 at 9 am to
Thursday, February 10, 2021 at 4 pm**



Better health.
Best in health care.

December 16, 2020

Re: School Exposure Notification During Winter Break

Dear School Communities,

We thank you for your dedication to keeping schools a safe place. Over the last few months, schools have made significant efforts to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 by following health and safety plans, communicating with families, and meeting students' educational needs. Fraser Health continues to work closely with school leadership and we know we are all in this together.

Fraser Health will continue to provide notification of school exposures over the winter break. This includes:

- Early Notification Letters will be distributed to schools.
- [School exposures](#) will be listed on the Fraser Health website.
- Self-Monitoring and Self-Isolation Letters will be distributed to schools based on the level of risk of the school exposure.

Since school exposures are a reflection of community transmission, **we strongly encourage everyone to follow the current public health orders over the winter break.** This includes:

- Not gathering with anyone outside of your immediate household.
- Only travelling for essential purposes.
- Wearing a mask in all indoor public settings.

Please continue to practice public health guidance such as hand hygiene, staying home when sick, keeping your distance from others, and cleaning and disinfecting regularly.

We encourage everyone to [get tested early](#) if you develop any new symptoms of illness.

Information about COVID-19, resources for schools, are found on the Fraser Health website www.fraserhealth.ca/covid19

We wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy winter break.

Sincerely,

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