

THIS WEEK AT KILMER

February 19th, 2021

REMINDER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH is a District ProD Day- The School is CLOSED

IMPORTANT DATES ON OUR CALENDAR

Saturday, February 20th

- KPAC Meridian Meats Fundraiser Due

Wednesday, February 24th

- Pink Shirt Day - wear **pink**

Thursday, February 25th

- KPAC Me n Ed's Fundraiser

- Hearing Screening Continued

Friday, February 26th

- Non-Instructional Day (**NO SCHOOL**)

Tuesday, March 2nd

- Carnaval

Friday, March 5th

- KPAC West Coast Seed Fundraiser Due

Wednesday, March 17th

- Spirit Day- Crazy Hair/Hat Day

Tuesday, March 16th

- 1:40 **Early Dismissal**

Friday, March 19

- Last Day before Spring Break

- Report Cards sent home

March 19-April 5

- Spring Break

Tuesday, April 6

- School ReOpens

Friday, April 30

- Spirit Day- Jersey/Sports Team Day

ILLNESS POLICY- **The Daily Health Check has changed.**

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

1 or more of these symptoms	Symptoms	
	Fever (above 38° C)	Chills
	Cough	Loss of sense of smell
	Difficulty Breathing	Loss of sense of taste

- Stay home
- Contact health care provider or 8-11 about your symptoms and next steps.

If you have 1 symptom:	UPDATED Symptoms	
	Sore Throat	Extreme fatigue or tiredness
	Loss of appetite	Nausea
	Headache	Vomiting

If you have 2 or more symptoms:	Body Aches	Diarrhea
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay home and wait 24 hrs. to see if you feel better. If symptoms don't get better or get worse, get a health assessment; contact a health care provider or 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps. 	

If a child starts showing or indicates any symptom as listed above 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.

DOGS ON THE SCHOOLGROUNDS

Students have noticed an increase of dog poo left in their play areas, ultimately ruining their outdoor activity. We are happy to welcome family dogs on the playground before and after school. All dogs must remain on a leash. **Please clean up after your dog.**



Please ensure your student arrives to school each day with a filled water bottle.

Some families are choosing to keep an additional water bottle in the bottom of the backpack

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CARNAVAL DE L'ÉCOLE KILMER- Tuesday March 2.

Please see the additional notice prepared by Mme Malakoff or contact her directly for more information nmalakoff@sd43.bc.ca. As part of the celebration, students will be having an ice cream treat in their classroom.

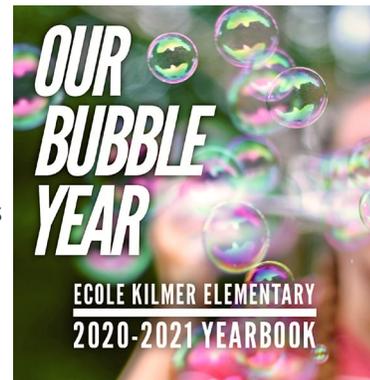
Please send a spoon to school with your child on March 2.

2020-2021 KILMER YEARBOOK

KPAC is actively preparing for the 2020-2021 Yearbook, and copies will soon be available for families to purchase via [SCHOOL CASH ONLINE](#).

In the meantime, please ensure you have completed the permission form for your child's photo and name to be used in the yearbook.

The permission slip can be found on School Cash Online



WINTER WEATHER EXPECTED

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.



KILMER LIBRARY

<https://sway.office.com/AxLNfYqIpuJVmXq?ref=Link&loc=play>

Tutorial: How Check Out Kilmer Library Books from the Library Webpage

If you would like to check out a book from the Kilmer Library, here is the process for requesting a book from the school library



STUDENT ABSENCES

We are finding that too much information regarding absences is going to teachers instead of the office and we are making phone calls because the office has not been informed. The Online Absence form, is a District Standard.

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](#)

Due to COVID-19 protocols, we can not facilitate Early Dismissals during the Lunch Hour or Recess Break. Early Dismissals and late arrivals are executed from the exterior classroom doors.

Kilmer Elementary

1575 Knappen St
Port Coquitlam, BC V3C 2P8

604-941-3401
kilmer@sd43.bc.ca

www.sd43.bc.ca/school/kilmer

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.



THIS WEEK AT

COMMUNITY NEWS

RECREATION

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Low income rec subsidies available

As many as 5,000 people could qualify

DIANE STRANDBERG
dstrandberg@tricitynews.com



Individuals and families with lower incomes living in Port Coquitlam can now apply for an annual discount of up to \$200 per person on city recreation programs.

Recent updates to Port Coquitlam's recreation financial assistance program will make it easier for eligible residents to receive a 75% discount on city recreation programs, admissions and passes, up to a maximum of \$200 per year per person. This means a qualifying family of four could receive annual discounts totaling \$800.

The changes were introduced after the city learned that the program meant to help Port Coquitlam's poorest

residents get access to recreation programs only reached a few hundred people despite estimates that as many as 5,000 people could be in poverty and qualify for help.

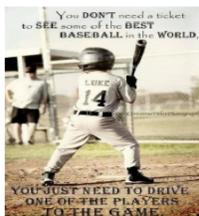
On Jan. 26, the city moved to make the low-income access program more flexible and assured it would promote it more in the hopes of getting more people to use it.

"I think it will make a big difference in people's lives," Coun. Steve Darling acknowledged as changes were approved.

With \$35,000 in annual funding, the program has never been fully utilized. In fact, residents enrolled in the program have declined in recent years, with \$20,000, or 56%, of the fund spent in 2020 to help just 283 people get a break on fees.

In 2020, even fewer people used the program and less than \$5,000 (14%) was used, according to city staff.

Many thanks to British Columbia Gaming for grants provided to us for several years.



www.pocominorbaseball.com

CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVE (6-10yrs)



move. create. connect.

3:30-5pm Hyde Creek

Afterschool Active includes a healthy snack, team building, fair play discussion and 60 minutes of active FUN! Come join us as we learn the fundamentals in various sports. Don't forget your water bottle! **See more details online.* Safety measures are in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Register now!

50262	M - Soccer	Feb 22-Mar 15	\$44
50330	Tu - Basketball	Feb 23-Mar 16	\$44
50331	W - Floor Hockey	Feb 24-Mar 17	\$44



REGISTER HERE!
portcoquitlam.ca/register
or 604.927.PLAY



www.pocominorbaseball.com



2021 SPRING REGISTRATON IS NOW OPEN !

Division	Year Born (2021 season)	Games/Practices	2021 Fees
Bleatball	2016 & 2017	Two weekday sessions per week 6:00 to 7:00 pm May - June	\$25
TBall	2014 & 2015	One practice per week on Tuesday. One game per week on Thursday. Both take place from 6:30pm to 7:30pm	\$120
Tadpole	2012 & 2013	Three games or practices per week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30pm.	\$145
Mosquito	2010 & 2011	Two games and one or two practices per week. Any day of the week including weekends.	\$195
PooWee	2008 & 2009	Two games and one or two practices per week. Any day of the week including weekends.	\$210
Bantam	2006 & 2007	Two games and one or two practices per week. Any day of the week including weekends.	\$245
Midget	2003 to 2005	Two games and one or two practices per week. Any day of the week including weekends.	\$270
Junior	1995 to 2002	Two to three times a week from April to the middle of August. Any day of the week including weekends but most games on Wednesdays and Sundays. Limited Team/Tears Tryouts may be required.	\$250

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KPAC IS FUNDRAISING!

Purdy's Easter Fundraiser

due Mar 8

École Kilmer Elementary EASTER 2021 is fundraising with Purdys Chocolatier, just in time for Easter!

Order submission deadline is March 8th and chocolates to be picked up at the school on March 17th.

If you'd like to support us through purchasing some very sweet Easter gifts for friends, family and yourself, please click the link below:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1195912-82998>

After you've signed in you can buy our amazing chocolates or invite others to join and support our Fundraising Campaign.



Me N Ed's Pizza Thursday, February 25th 11am-9pm

Please This fundraiser is from 11:00 am- 9:00 pm and is good for dine in, take-out and delivery on ALL menu items. 25% of all sales will be given back to KILMER

You must mention KILMER ELEMENTARY ON ALL ORDERS for our fundraiser to be triggered.

The fundraiser is affiliated with the Port Coquitlam location only.

Spread the word! **(604) 942-1200**

<https://www.meneds.ca/port-coquitlam>



West Coast Seeds Fundraiser

due Mar 5 <https://fundraising.westcoastseeds.com/>

after you have added your items to your cart, please ensure you **find our organization** on the drop down menu. Kilmer will receive 40% of each packet sold.



Meridian Meats Fundraiser

due Feb 20

KPAC is selling Meridian Meats gift cards until February 20th. Please contact Lisa Bertsch, or view the poster on the following page for more information.



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.



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



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Attention Kilmer Community*

We are having a Grade 5 Fundraiser!



Thursday, February 25th 11am-9pm

Dine In - Take-Out - Delivery

All Menu Items

Kilmer gets 25% of all sales!

Tell your family, your neighbors, your workplace, tell everyone in POCO!

***Just mention KILMER when you order, and we'll receive 25% of each order.

Contribute to our grade 5 celebration by supporting your favorite local Pizzeria!

<https://www.meneds.ca/port-coquitlam>

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KILMER PAC FUNDRAISER MERIDIAN MEATS GIFT CARDS



Farm Fresh
FUNDRAISER

**INCREMENTS OF \$10,
\$25, \$50, \$75 OR \$100**

KILMER RECEIVES 30%
OF ALL ORDERS

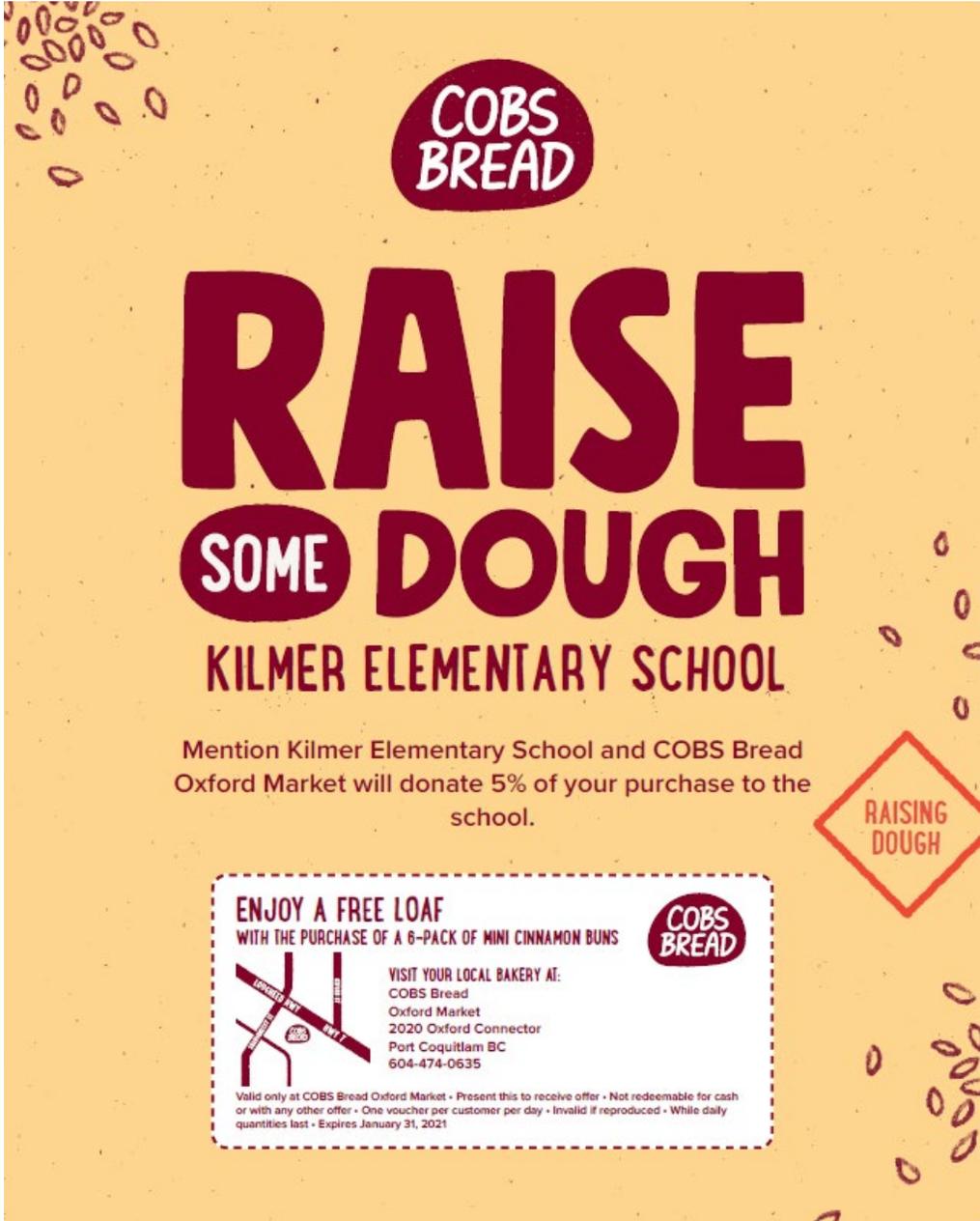
OVER \$500 IN SALES

**Email lisachbertsch@gmail.com to
order**

Orders close February 20th

**PAYMENT OF ORDERS
WILL BE DETERMINED
AT A LATER DATE.**

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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





VISIT YOUR LOCAL BAKERY AT:
COBS Bread
Oxford Market
2020 Oxford Connector
Port Coquitlam BC
604-474-0635

Valid only at COBS Bread Oxford Market - Present this to receive offer - Not redeemable for cash or with any other offer - One voucher per customer per day - Invalid if reproduced - While daily quantities last - Expires January 31, 2021



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Re: Streamlined COVID-19 notification process

Dear SD43 families and staff,

Effective immediately, Fraser Health is rolling out a streamlined notification process in the event of a COVID exposure event in a school community. The new process will consist of only one early notification letter and will follow up with a self-monitoring letter and/or self-isolation letter, as needed. Previously there were three notification letters and a school bulletin.

These changes are a direct result of feedback received from the community and Fraser Health has worked streamline the notification process. The new process is designed to:

- Increase the Fraser Health response time in issuing the appropriate notifications,
- Decrease the number of emails sent to families and staff and
- Increase the accuracy of the notifications.

In short, the revised process will be as follows:

- When a case has been identified and includes an individual who was in a school during their infectious period, a notification letter will be distributed to the school community.
- If the case is linked to one or more classes, a self-monitoring letter will be issued to the affected classes.
- Additional self-monitoring or self-isolation letters will be issued in the course of contact tracing, as needed.
- Contact management will be completed within 48 hours.
- School exposures will continue to be posted on www.fraserhealth.ca/schoolexposures.

In the event of a COVID exposure event, families and staff will receive one or more letters, as described below:

- **Notification letter:** this is a general letter to the entire school community that serves as a notification that someone within the school community has tested positive for COVID-19. Receiving this letter does not mean they have been exposed or that there is an increased risk.
- **Self-monitoring letter:** This letter will be sent to classes or cohorts of the person who attended school while potentially infectious. The intent of the letter is to provide heightened awareness, beyond that of the daily health check, around monitoring for symptoms. The letter asks individuals to closely monitor for symptoms and advises them that unless they have, or develop, symptoms they can continue to come to school.
- **Self-isolation letter:** Individuals or groups who are identified through contact tracing as being at higher risk due to proximity to the case or the nature of the exposure, will receive a self-isolation letter. The letter advises those individuals to self-isolate, which means that they should remain isolated at home.

Thank you for your continued support and diligence in performing and encouraging daily health checks, physical distancing and hand hygiene.

Sincerely,

Patricia Gartland
Superintendent/CEO



Dear Parents and Guardians,



The annual *Carnaval de l'École Kilmer* will be taking place this Tuesday March 2. Due to the ongoing pandemic, events will look very different this year, but we will still be celebrating and learning together as a community. Bonhomme is unable to visit us this year due to the travel restrictions but Mme Malakoff had a long Zoom meeting with him last week and he sends us all his best wishes for a great 2021 Carnaval de Kilmer and he looks forward to seeing us all next year.

This year students will be staying in their classrooms and they will have a chance to learn about the events of this wonderful 400-year old Québécois celebration. This year's kick-off for the Carnaval de Kilmer will be a school wide virtual music concert. This interactive performance with two professional musicians will present traditional rhythms, songs, dance and an introduction of musical instruments from several countries around the world; including a song from the Carnaval de Québec.

Thank you to the KPAC for providing the funding for this musical presentation and we are all looking forward to our first live school wide virtual assembly.

As part of the celebration, students will be having an ice cream treat in their classroom. **Please send a spoon to school with your child on March 2.** If your child has allergies, please send a special treat for them to enjoy at this time. The ice cream is Chapmans vanilla ice cream.

Lastly, wear your Carnaval celebration clothes on March 2nd.....perhaps you wonder what that is.....wear your plaid! On March 2nd **students are invited to dress in plaid, wear tuques, scarves** and winter clothes. If you happen to have a “ceinture fléchées” (a multi-coloured belt) which is a traditional French Canadian clothing item, please invite your child to wear it on the Tuesday.



Merci!

The Carnaval de Kilmer Committee

If you have any questions please contact Mme. Malakoff. nmalakoff@sd43.bc.ca