KILMER WEEKLY UPDATE

APRIL 9TH, 2020



Kilmer kindergarten kids planted bulbs and they are in full bloom in our courtyard. Thanks for making Kilmer beautiful!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I hope this finds you and your family all well. These last weeks have been difficult as we all try to keep our daily routines as normal as possible while maintaining our distance from friends and loved ones.

In these unprecedented times, it is important to find moments of hope and joy amidst the uncertainty whenever and wherever we can. I am sending you the link to a YouTube video, "<u>The Story of 2020</u>" that you may want to watch with your children. It is both beautiful and inspiring.

CONTINUITY OF LEARNING

We have worked closely with the district to move from learning in the school setting to an online environment.

In the last week, Kilmer teachers contacted you to see how you are doing and to help prepare your children for learning at home. The teachers have been working diligently to get up to speed on the core district technology tools (e.g. Office 365, Microsoft Teams ...) that will be needed to facilitate home school communications and learning.

At the present, the Ministry of Education has determined that districts and schools should adhere to the following Guiding Principles.

- ✓ Ensure a healthy and safe environment for all students, families and essential workers.
- ✓ Provide the services needed to support children of our essential workers.
- ✓ Support vulnerable students who may need special assistance.
- ✓ Provide continuity of educational opportunities.

In the last week of Spring Break, school district personnel started organizing daycare support for our healthcare workers and first responders. There are a number of Kilmer parents who fall into these categories and so we were in touch to ensure that support was there if necessary. Like everyone else, the Kilmer staff is so appreciative of their skills, bravery and commitment to others.

This week we reviewed our Continuity of Learning Survey to determine those students who are a priority for distribution of technology. We have made arrangements for those students to borrow a school computer for the time that they are learning from home.

NEXT STEPS

School District 43 recognizes that there are items in your child's classroom that would help support learning at home. We have organized a structure that will enable you to come to the school on Tuesday, April 14th to pick up your child's supplies. Teachers have collected what they feel is needed and these items have been put into bags labelled with your child's name. Please read the information that follows as it will guide you to the time and process for collecting materials.

We do ask that you park away from the school and walk here. It is very important that you try to limit the number of people from the family to pick up materials – we do not want to create physical distancing problems outside of the school. We will have cones out for line ups and maintaining social distancing from others. If needed, another parent can pick up your bags. Please email the school in advance to let us know who will be collecting supplies on your behalf. We have structured the pick – up by family last name, so that parents can retrieve all the bags at once.

PICK UP SCHEDULE FOR STUDENT SUPPLIES 1ST INITIAL OF LAST NAME

Please arrive at your scheduled time. If you are unable to come at your scheduled time, please email the office and we will reschedule a pick up time for you later on in the week. Thank you so much for your patience as we work through this process.

FAMILY GROUPS	TIMES	#
Α	8:30 - 8:45	11
BA - BE	8:50 - 9:05	11
BH - BU	9:10 – 9:25	12
CH -	9:30 - 9:45	10
СООК		
CR - DEG	9:50 - 10:05	10
DES - E	1:10 - 10:25	10
F	10:30 - 10:45	9
G	10:50 - 11:05	9
H - HAY	11:10 - 11:20	10
HE - I	11:25 – 11:40	8
J	11:45 – 12:	7
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K	12:05 - 12:20	8
L	12:25 – 12:40	11
M - MCP	12:45 - 1:00	10
MR - MU	1:05 - 1:20	11
N – O - P	1:40 - 2:05	12
R	2:10 - 2:30	10
S - SKA	2:35 - 2:50	10
SM - T	2:55 – 3:10	9
U – V	3:15 – 3:30	8
W	3:35 - 3:50	12
X – Y - Z	3:55 – 4:10	9

KILMER SCHOOL GROUNDS

We miss you, and wish that we could see you all in person but ALL SD43 & municipal sites, playgrounds, structures, sports courts and sports fields are closed to help stop the spread. Please do not come to visit at or play at the school. If you happen to notice vandalism while walking through the school grounds, please call the RCMP nonemergency number at 604-945-1550.



Over Spring Break, we did lose power in the building, and when this happens it causes our bells to reset. Our bells are off, but if you do happen to hear them please email us at

Kilmer@sd43.bc.ca so that we can turn them back off again.

RESOURCES

https://www.straight.com/news/patti-bacchus-focus-on-lessons-

that-matter-for-kids

Storyline Online <u>https://www.storylineonline.net/</u>

FVRL eCards are here!

Fraser Valley Regional Library just launched online card registration. We are very excited for this new service, which will help us reach even more people in our community with our large collection of digital resources, including eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, video streaming and eLearning. Visit https://onlineregistration.fvrl.bc.ca for more information and to register.

Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems! (Author of Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus) <u>Lunch Doodles</u>

Art for Kids Hub https://www.youtube.com/artforkidshub