

École Kilmer Elementary School

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Welcome Back to school!! We have a few changes in staff members and you will also see some changes outside!
More details below!

Here are our staff members for this year:



Teachers:		
Mme Anderson	Mme Huggon	Mrs. Pitman
Mme Bouvier	Mme Hyatt	Mme Rowe
Ms Brookbank	Mrs. James	Mrs. Togno
Mrs. Chabot	Ms McClarty	Mme Underwood
M Comartin	Mme Malakoff	Mr. Van Sickle
Ms Craig	Mrs. Niguma	Mme Wong
Mrs. Faria	Ms Pharaon	

Support Staff:	
Mrs. Akbari – Noon Hour Supervisor	Mr. De Ocampo– Morning Caretaker & Noon Hour Supervisor
Mrs. Beatty - Education Assistant	
Mr. Biteng – Afternoon Caretaker	Mr. Dickson – Educational Assistant
Mrs. Burton - Noon Hour Supervisor	Mrs. Leavold- Secretary
Ms. Collier - Education Assistant	Ms Tang – Education Assistant
Ms. Hatch- Indigenous Support Worker	

Upcoming Events

KPAC Meeting – Monday, September 16th @ 7 pm in the library *(childcare will be available)*

Individual Student Pictures - Tuesday, September 17th

District wide Professional Development Day - Friday, September 20st

Terry Fox school wide Fundraising Campaign -Tuesday September 24th. *(more details to come)*

Terry Fox Run – Thursday, September 26th

Our Website

Be sure to look at the [École Kilmer Elementary Homepage](#). All calendar information has been updated.

Check for regular updates online.

- The [Online Absence Report](#) form is the same as in previous years. Please use this to report your child's known absence, early dismissal or late arrival prior to the start of the school day.

Eforms and SchoolCashOnline are Ready!

The district eForms are now available for parents fill out via [School Cash Online](#).

School Policy, Driver Volunteer and Volunteer form

There are many advantages to using KEV (School Cash Online):

- Parents create secure accounts in KEV and only then have access to submit forms for their child.
- Most parents are already familiar with the KEV website and have already created accounts.
- Parents will have less information to fill out as the KEV system already stores it (i.e. school, division number, etc.)
- KEV (School Cash Online) automatically sends email reminders to parents who have not yet submitted the required School Policies form.
- Using KEV significantly reduce processing time - particularly at one of the busiest times of the year.



Here is a one minute movie clip that will give you a brief overview of the registration and online shopping experience.

<http://www.kevsoftware.com/movies/ParentRegEnglish/>

REGISTER ONLINE

- Step 1: Please click on this link: <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com>
Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.
Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the '[click here](#)' option, login and add each of your children to your household account.

✓ Convenient ✓ Safe ✓ Secure

*PLEASE NOTE: If you have any questions during the registration process or while shopping online, please select the **GET HELP** option in the top right hand area of the screen.*

The **Emergency Release** and the **Medical Alert** forms will remain in PDF format for parents to fill out, print and return to schools to file. Paper copies are available at the office.

Note that the fillable PDF – in addition to being clearly legible - can be saved by parents and edited as needed each school year. This is a real time saver for parents!

Planners

Congratulations to Lehna Backus, whose cover art submission was chosen to be on our school planner cover for this school year. Way to go Lehna!!

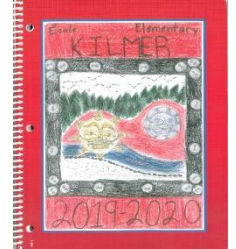
School planners have already been distributed to students. This year the cost of a planner is \$7.50.

Parents can pay for the planners through the Cash Online system as of Monday, September 16th.

If you have any questions or concerns about the planners, please feel free to contact Ms Birnie.

Planners are an important part of home / school communication facilitating daily communication about academics, school activities and upcoming class events. Our planners also have information for parents regarding the administrative policies, such as Code of Conduct, use of technology /digital citizenship and Resolution of Student or Parent Concerns. Parents are asked to review the information.

Please note that the Intermediate English Student Planners are still to come.



Kilmer Parent Advisory Council (KPAC)

Parent Advisory Councils are an important part of the school community. It is an organization comprised of all parents who have children at Irvine. All parents are automatically members of our Irvine Parent Advisory Council. The membership of the executive of the council is not automatic. The executive is usually elected at the Annual General Meeting the previous May. Sometimes, there are one or two important positions that still need to be filled in the fall.

This year our KPAC is in need of parent volunteers who are willing to take on a role on the executive.

The first KPAC event of the school year, will be held on **Monday, September 16th at 7:00 pm**. The agenda for the meeting is usually published on behalf of the KPAC. Please see the additional email sent early today on behalf of KPAC.

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS

Supervision of students begins at 8:30 am. Students who arrive before 8:30 are encouraged to wait at the front of the school until a supervisor is outside. After school, students are released to their parents or caregivers. Any student who has not been picked up at that time is asked to come back into the school and wait in the main foyer for their ride. We ask that parents remind their children that if they have not been picked up they should come back into the school to the office and not walk home by themselves - unless parents or guardians have arranged that ahead of time. Please make sure that children are aware of any special arrangements for drop off or pick up ahead of time.

School Photo Day- Tuesday, September 17th

Please see the notice that will go home Monday. For best results please do not wear Green coloured clothing, Green coloured patterns & solid white.



DISTRICT NEWS

Welcome Back Letters

Minister of Education Rob Fleming wishes all students and their families all the best for the year ahead. [Read more here.](#)

SD43 Superintendent of Schools Patricia Gartland welcomes all students back to school. [Read more here.](#)

Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation

Government has approved the Vaccination Status Reporting Regulation requiring parents or guardians to report the vaccination status of their school-age children. This regulation comes into force on July 1 and public health units will begin implementation of the regulation in September of 2019. [Read more here](#)

Vaping Products Information for Families

The use of vaping products by youth is becoming increasingly common. There are some misconceptions about the aerosol (vapour or cloud) produced, and currently the long-term health effects are unknown. As caregivers, you can connect and discuss issues around vaping products with your child. [Read more here.](#)

Please take a moment to complete the School Calendar Public and Partner Group Survey:

In preparation for future school years, we are asking for your feedback on our proposed calendars for the 2020-21, 2020-22 and 2022-23 school years.

Below are two links, one is to our district website where the proposed calendars are posted and the other link is to an online survey that allows for feedback to be provided about the three proposed school calendars.

This survey link will be open from Friday, September 13, 2019, to Friday, October 4, 2019. We thank you for your participation and your feedback.

Link to our SD43 Annual School Calendars: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/AMyCalendar/Pages/default.aspx>

Link to the online survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QHLYLLY>

COMMUNITY NEWS

Fire Prevention Week October 6-12th

“Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and Practice your Escape™”

*Fire Chief and Fire Captain for the Day contest [entries](#) are due **Monday, September 30, 2019.***

For more information, please see the [Family Letter](#) prepared by Port Coquitlam Fire & Emergency Services

All elementary students are also encouraged to take part in the [Fire Prevention Week Poster Contest](#) – they can win awesome prizes for their school, class and themselves.

Beyond the Bell- Begins September 23!

For more information about this after school program for the Kilmer Community

Please contact the City of Port Coquitlam Parks & Recreation Department

PROGRAM	ACTIVITY#	DAY	DATES	TIME	PRICE
Let's Dance	39181	F	Sep 27-Nov 1, 2019	2:40-3:40pm	\$60
NOTE No Class Fri Oct 25					
Let's Dance	39182	F	Nov 8- Dec 6, 2019	2:40-3:40pm	\$60
Sports & Games	39167	M	Sep 23-Nov 25, 2019	2:40-3:40pm	\$32
NOTE No class M Oct 14 No Class M Nov 11					
Reduced rate for Fall 2019 Sports & Games is made possible through funding provided by the Government of British Columbia and support from the BC Recreation and Parks Association BCRPA					

