



## Gilmore Elementary School

*Caring For Each Other, Learning For A Lifetime. Prendre Soins De L'autre - L'apprentissage Pour La Vie*

**James Gilmore  
Elementary**  
8380 Elsmore Road  
Richmond, BC  
V7C 2A1

**Trevor Shuto**  
Principal

**School Schedule:**  
8:45 - Classes Begin  
9:55-10:10 - Recess  
12:00-12:50 - Lunch  
2:45 - Dismissal

**School - 604-668-6268**  
**Early Warning**  
**604-668-6637**

May 8th Week at a Glance	
Monday	Grade 7 - Camp Jubilee
Tuesday	Grade 7 - Camp Jubilee
Wednesday	Grade 7 - Camp Jubilee 6:00pm - PAC Meeting - Library
Thursday	
Friday	6:00 - Movie Night

Dear Gilmore Families,  
Newsletters in this format will be one of the main sources of communication that you can expect to receive from the Gilmore office once again this year.

**District Track Meet:**  
We are so proud of our Gr. 3-7 students who participated in many activities at the District Track meet. They tried their best, had fun, competed, and most of all represented Gilmore in a kind and respectful way!

**Movie Night:**  
Our next Gilmore PAC Movie Night will take place on Friday May 12th. Please have a look at the attached flyer for more specific details.

**PAC Volunteers:**  
Please see attached for opportunities to volunteer with the Gilmore PAC!

**Summer Learning: A message from the School District**  
Attention Richmond families! Did you know that many of Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Programs are FREE for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents and students who have Refugee status? With an array of exciting and enriching courses and camps to choose from, your child is sure to have a memorable summer. Choose from Elementary Enrichment, Summer Exploration, Summer Fine Arts, Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion, Secondary Enrichment, and Secondary Enrichment Skill Building Courses. We also offer Summer Camps for both elementary and secondary students, with options for ages 6-16. Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow and learn in a fun and engaging way! Keep your child's learning journey going strong this summer and sign up now for Summer Learning 2023. For more information go to our website at [www.RichmondCE.ca](http://www.RichmondCE.ca)

**Affordability Fund Reminder:**  
A reminder that the Provincial Government announced a new, one time Student and Family Affordability Fund. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. Please reach out to Mr. Shuto if you could benefit from this fund. Thank you. As always, we thank you for your support and are enjoying teaching, learning with, and supporting our Gilmore students this year.

Sincerely,  
Trevor Shuto and the Gilmore Staff

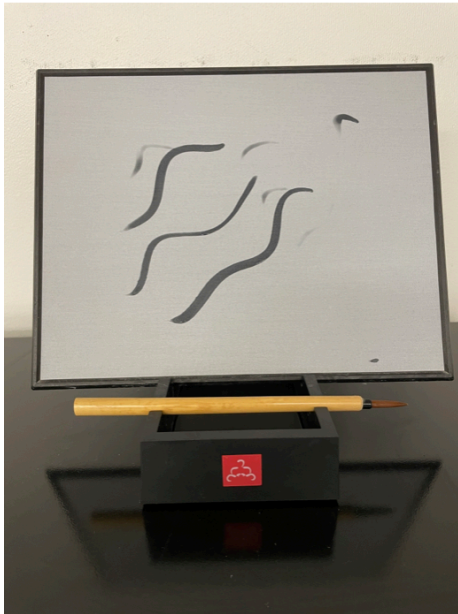
Important Dates!	
May 15-17	Gr. 6 Camp Jubilee
May 19th	No School - Pro-D Day
May 19th	Babysitting Course
May 22nd	No School - Holiday
May 23rd	Hot Lunch - Pizza

## Our School Story:

### At Gilmore we “Care for Self, Care for Others and Care for Place!”

Staff at Gilmore have been working towards generating “common language” that will be meaningful and helpful to support our students and create common expectations while we are together during the school days. This language will help to anchor our school decisions as well as conversations that we have daily. “Care for Self, Care for Others, and Care for Place” will be introduced to our students as our common language over the next few weeks and will become weaved through all that we do at Gilmore. It is always helpful for home and school to be on the same page, so if you can begin to use this language at home in your conversations it will help to begin to evolve an understanding of what this language means to all of us as individuals as we spend our days together.

Thank you for your ongoing support!



### Buddha Board

Many children have asked me about the “Buddha Board” that I have in my office so I thought that I would share with everyone. It is a fun artistic activity where you can paint on the board with water and then as the water dries, it disappears. This also serves as a calming technique when children are upset, frustrated, or sad. Wanted to pass along as this is an extremely helpful tool and fun activity.

### Family Teams - We Are All Connected

At Gilmore, we have 32 “Family Teams” which each consist of students from Grade K-7.

Throughout the year, we meet to help build community and for kids to work together with other staff and students from all grades and classes. Our focus last time we met was how we are all connected. Students each made themselves and drew a Country, Nation, or Cultural flag that represented them and their family. It is great to see how diverse a population we are and realize how much we can learn from each other. We are so proud!

