



Gilmore Elementary School

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

**James Gilmore
Elementary**
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Richmond, BC
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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

April 3rd Week at a Glance	
Monday	Fruit and Veggie Program
Tuesday	8:00 Gilmore Community Breakfast
Wednesday	6:00 PAC Meeting In Person in the Gilmore Library
Thursday	
Friday	No School

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.

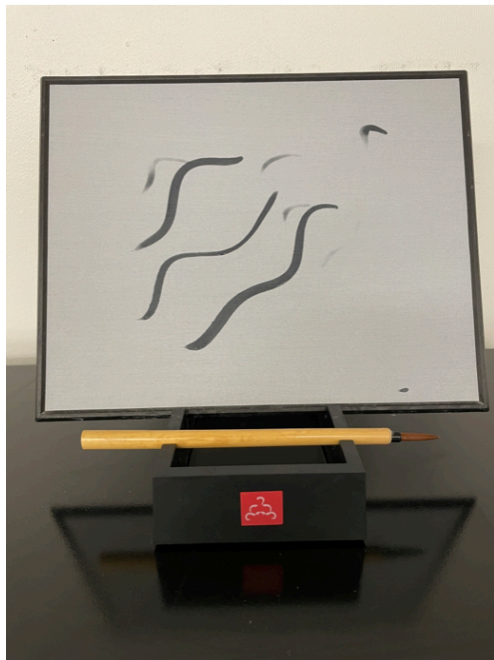
Welcome Back!
As I wrote before Spring Break, I want to let you all know how much we enjoy spending our days with your children. We enjoy teaching them, supporting them, and spending time with them. We appreciate your support in working together to support them academically, socially, and emotionally and we have enjoyed reconnecting with them and you now that we are back from Spring Break. We look forward to this third term which will go by quickly with lots going on. We will keep you posted about upcoming events such as, Track and Field Meet, Sports Day, PAC Picnic in the Park, Movie, Night, Outdoor Education, Field Trips, etc. It is going to be fun!

Hot Lunch Orders (April - June):
Please go to the Gilmore Website under 'Munch a Lunch' for information from the Gilmore PAC about Hot Lunch Dates and order information for orders from April until June.

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!	
April 3	Fruit and Veggie Program
Apr 7	School Closed - Holiday
Apr 10	School Closed - Holiday
April 11	Hot Food Day - Pizza
April 21	Class Photos



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!



Recess and Lunch

Gilmore Students are having a great time outside at recess and lunch. We are so lucky to have a large field with lots of options for play. We have recently added classroom equipment to each classroom to take out to use at recess and lunch. Students are enjoying that. Lots of fun and creativity happening outside!