



**James Gilmore
Elementary**

8380 Elsmore Road
Richmond, BC
V7C 2A1

Trevor Shuto
Principal

School Schedule:

8:45 - Classes Begin
10:10 - 10:25 - Recess
11:50 -12:42 - Lunch
2:45 - Dismissal

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

Monday	Hot Food Day - Seafood House
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	Last Day of School Before Spring Break
Friday	No School - Spring Break

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.

- 1. Track and Field** - After Spring Break, students from grades 3-7 will participate in track and field rotations during the school day to prepare for the **District Track Meet at Minoru on Monday May 13th**. Please help students remember to wear athletic clothing and proper footwear.
- 2. Community Fridge** - Is open in the foyer of the school. The purpose is to ensure everyone has access to food when needed. Guidelines for the use of the community fridge centre around taking only what you need, ensuring that there is enough food for others, and that the fridge is there to provide food support for everyone in the building.
- 3. Affordability Fund Reminder** - The Student and Family Affordability Fund is still in place if you 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.
- 4. Feeding Futures** - The provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to help with nutritional supports for students. We are working closely with a District Staff Member and we want to ensure families are aware to reach out to Mr. Shuto if you require support. Requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected.

As always, we thank you for your support and look forward to teaching, learning with, and supporting our Gilmore students this year!

Sincerely, Trevor Shuto and the Gilmore Staff

Important Dates!

Mar 11th	Hot Food Day - Seafood
Mar 14th	Last day of School Before Spring Break
Apr 2nd	1st Day Back to School
Apr. 9th	Community Breakfast
Apr 25th	Learning Update - Reports



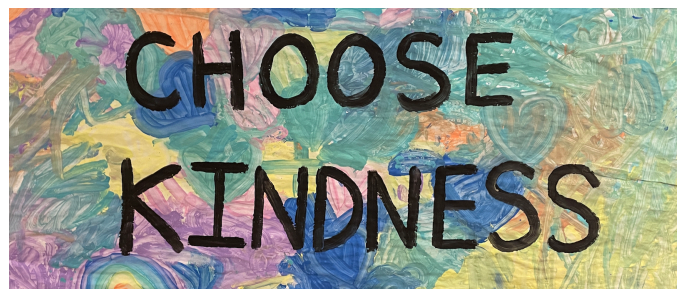
Gilmore's School Story

We continue to work with our school language at Gilmore to continue to build expectations of behaviour and a culture of care. The students are gaining a better understanding of what this means and how they can demonstrate this at school. CARE FOR SELF, CARE FOR OTHERS, CARE FOR PLACE. You can help by discussing the language with your children at home as well.

Thank you for your support, it is much appreciated!

Window Into Learning

“Choose Kindness” has been a theme this week at Gilmore. These student created posters showed up on the walls! Merging our school wide language of Care for Self, Others, and Place with Pink Shirt Day has been a successful way to remind everyone how to ensure everyone feels welcome and cared for at Gilmore!



School District / Gilmore Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is used at Gilmore and around the District to help remind all of us of the expectations in all School District Buildings as well as when participating in all School District events.

SD38 Reconciliation, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Calendar

An inclusive calendar is a living document that shares dates of significance, recognition, and celebration for all members of the school community. The Richmond School District creates a REDI Calendar to help highlight dates of significance. Dates for each month will be highlighted here as well as the full year calendar below.

March

Irish Heritage Month

- 1 Zero Discrimination Day
- 8 **Maha Shivaratri** ☸
- 8 International Women's Day
- 10 **Ramadan Begins (Ends April 9)** ☾
- 15 Int'l Day to Combat Islamophobia
- 19 Nowruz - Iranian (Persian) New Year
- 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 23-24 Purim 🕍
- 25-27 Hola Mohalla 🕌
- 25 **Holi** ☸
- 25 International Day of Remembrance of Slavery Victims and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
- 29 **Good Friday** †
- 31 **Easter Sunday** †

Richmond School District's 2023-24 Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar

September

- 10-16 Inequity Heritage Week
- 15-17 **Rosh Hashana** 🕍
- 17-23 Gender Equality Week
- 19 Ganesh Chaturthi ☸
- 23 International Day of Sign Languages
- 24 **Kol Nidrei** 🕍
- 24-25 **Vine Kipper** 🕍
- 24-30 Int'l Week of the Deaf People
- 26-27 **Masana at-Nad** ☾
- 29 Sukkot Begins 🕍
- 30 National Day of Truth and Reconciliation / Orange Shirt Day



Sept 16-17 - Rosh Hashana

October

- German Heritage Month
- Canadian Islamic History Month
- Community Inclusion Month
- Latin American Heritage Month
- Women's History Month
- 1 National Seniors Day
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 International Day of the Girl
- 6 Sukkot Ends 🕍
- 7-8 Simchat Torah 🕍
- 15-24 Navaratri ☸
- 18 Perron Day
- 19 Spirit Day
- 20 Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granthi ☾
- 24 **Dussehra** ☸
- 24 Youth Climate Action Day



Oct 24 - Dussehra

December

- International Day for Abolition of Slavery
- International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- 9 International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Preventor of this Crime
- 10 Human Rights Day
- 7-15 Hanukkah 🕍
- 8 Bodhi Day ☸
- 21 Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere)
- 24 Christmas Eve †
- 24 Quivassukvik Begins
- 25 Christmas †
- 26 Kwanzaa Begins



Nov 12 - Diwali

January

- Tamil Heritage Month
- 1 Kwanzaa Ends
- Ochotoolenkaw - Kissing Day - Hand Shaking Day (Métis)
- 2 Mid Winter Ceremony
- 14 Maghi ☸
- 15 Black Excellence Day
- 17 Guru Gobind Singh Birthday/Prakash 🕍
- 21 Lincoln Alexander Day
- World Day for Africa and Afrodescendant Culture
- 25 Mahayana New Year
- Int'l Holocaust Remembrance Day
- 29 National Day of Remembrance of the Quebec City Mosque Attack and Action Against Islamophobia



Dec 25 - Christmas

February

- Black History Month
- 10 Lunar New Year 🕍
- 10 Moose Hide Campaign
- 15 Vasant Panchami ☸
- 14 Ash Wednesday 🕍
- 16 National Day of Action to Honour Missing Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, Trans and 2-Spirited
- 15 Nirvana Day ☸
- 20 World Day of Social Justice
- 21 Int'l Mother Language Day
- 28 Lantern Festival
- 26 Magha Puja Day 🕍
- 26 Pink Shirt Day

April

- Sikh Heritage Month
- Genocide Remembrance, Remembrance and Prevention Month
- 1 Easter Monday †
- 9 Ramadan Ends ☾
- 9-17 Chaitra Navratri ☸
- 9-10 100th Anniversary of the Balfour Declaration
- 13 Vaisakhi ☸
- 14 International Day of Pink
- 16-20 Bangla Heritage Week
- 17 Ram Navami ☸
- 22-30 Pesach 🕍
- 23 Humana Jayanti ☸



Apr 13 - Vaisakhi

May

- Asian Heritage Month
- Canadian Jewish Heritage Month
- 5 Cinco-de-Mayo
- 5 Irish Heritage Day
- 5 Red Dress Day
- 5-6 Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) 🕍
- 10 Bear Witness Day
- 25 Buddha's Birthday ☸
- 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia
- 19-25 Anti-Racism Awareness Week
- 21 World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue Development
- 23 Anniversary of Kamagata Maru
- 24 Vesak/Vesak/Buddha Day/Vaisakhi Purni ☸



Mar 10 - Ramaçan

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June

- National Indigenous Heritage Month
- Railian Heritage Month
- Pride Season Begins
- Filipino Heritage Month
- Portuguese Heritage Month
- 11-13 Shavuot 🕍
- 14-15 The Hajj ☾
- 16 Guru Arjan Martyrdom ☸
- 17 Eid al-Adha
- 21 National Indigenous People's Day
- 23 National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism
- 24 St. Jean-Baptiste Day
- 27 Canadian Multiculturalism Day



June - Pride Season Begins

July

- 1 Sant Teja Day
- 17 The Islamic New Year (Islamic New Year or Hijri New Year) ☾
- 18 Nelson Mandela Day
- 20-23 Métis Nation Day
- 22-26 Chinese Cultural Heritage Week

Legend

- ☸ Buddhism
- 🕍 Christianity
- ☾ Hinduism
- 🕍 Islam
- 🕍 Judaism
- ☸ Sikhism

Important Notes:
Exact dates of some holidays may vary slightly depending on the specific faith calendar and the timing of the moon.
Dates listed are the best predictable dates for those faiths that follow a lunar calendar, including Judaism, Islam and Hinduism.
On dates chosen as **Red Dress**, schools are encouraged to avoid scheduling any school event that day.
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📍 |sd38.bc.ca/calendars

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Gilmore's Return-It Account

Gilmore has a "Return It" account at the Blundell Return It Location to help raise money to subsidize our Grade 6 trip to camp this year.

The Phone number associated with the account is 604-668-6268. Please use clear bags with no pull strings when returning bottles.



Please see information about other events and opportunities below!



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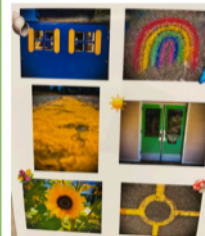
SUMMER LEARNING 2024

Come join our fun and engaging summer learning programs where you can explore new interests, learn new skills, review or preview academic courses or complete a full credit course.

- Academic Full Credit
- Secondary and Elementary Enrichment
- Summer Camps
- Academic Completion

Registration begins Mon., April 22, 2024

www.richmondcc.ca | 604-668-6123



TRY SOFTBALL!



Monday Mar. 4

Ages 6-10: 6³⁰-7³⁰

Ages 11-13: 7³⁰-8³⁰



This **free session** is open to youth aged 6-13 who want to learn more about softball.



REGISTER NOW!

@rgsa_bc

LACROSSE IN SCHOOLS



ALL EQUIPMENT, PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL AND COACHES INCLUDED!

Richmond Lacrosse Association is excited to offer Lacrosse in Schools
An introductory Lacrosse program for K through Grade 7

Each school will receive **two complementary - three-hour sessions** during your gym time. Each session is led by **two coaches** and can accommodate up to **45 students**.



OPEN TO ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLASSES

The program is designed to teach students in your class and school about Canada's national sport of Lacrosse, the roots of the Indigenous game, its history and origins. Richmond Lacrosse aims to introduce the students to the sport and increase registration in Richmond.

EACH SESSION WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING

- **Origin of the game**
- **Scooping the ball**
- **Catching and passing**
- **Game play**
- **Team building**
- and much more!

TO REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL!

E-mail
schools@richmondlacrosse.com

Website
<https://forms.gle/M7iuuc9jB1otoWSc7>



FOR MORE INFO

WWW.RICHMONDLACROSSE.COM

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PLAY STREETS

IN RICHMOND!

We are creating spaces for play for children and youth in Richmond!

Play Streets will include:

- Biking
- Board games
- Scootering
- Sports games
- Crafts
- Quiet reading area
- Lots of outdoor fun!

FREE
OPEN TO EVERYONE!

COME PLAY
AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- 3300 Block Ketcheson Road, Richmond**
 - Sat, February 24 from 11:00am-2:00pm
 - Wed, March 13 from 3:30-5:00pm
- 7000 Block Abercrombie Drive, Richmond**
 - Sat, March 9 from 11:00am-2:00pm
 - Wed, March 20 from 1:00-3:00pm

SOCIETY FOR children and youth OF BC

Richmond