



**James Gilmore
Elementary**
8380 Elsmore Road
Richmond, BC
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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	
Tuesday	8:00 - Community Breakfast in the Gym Track Rotations - Gr. 3-7
Wednesday	
Thursday	Track Rotations - Gr. 3-7
Friday	Track Rotations - Gr. 3-7

Important Dates!	
April 15th	Hot Lunch - Just Poke Rice Bowls
Apr 25th	Learning Update - Reports
May 6-8	Gr. 6s to Camp Jubilee
May 13	Track Meet at Minoru
May 14th	Community Breakfast

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** - We would like to welcome you all back to Gilmore after Spring Break. We are happy to see all of you. We look forward to continuing to work together to support our Gilmore students for this third term!
- Hot Lunch** - Information has been sent out to you via email from the Gilmore office for third term Hot lunch orders. I have also pasted the Hot Lunch flyer, please scroll down to find it.
- Track and Field** - Starting on Tuesday, 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.
- 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.
- 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



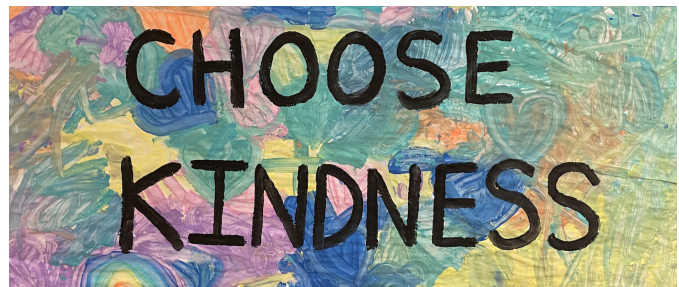
Gilmore's School Story

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 has created 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.

April

Sikh Heritage Month
Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month

- 1 Easter Monday †
- 9 Ramadan Ends ☾
- 9-17 Chaitra Navratri ॐ
- 9 or 10 Eid-al-Fitr Celebration ☾
- 13 Vaisakhi ॐ
- 14 International Day of Pink
- 14-20 Bangla Heritage Week
- 17 Ram Navami ॐ
- 22-30 Pesach ॐ
- 23 Hanuman Jayanti ॐ

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

September

- 10-19 Mesanotte heritage Week
- 15-17 Rosh Hashana ॐ
- 17-23 Gender Equality Week
- 19 Ganesh Chaturthi ॐ
- 23 International Day of Sign Languages
- 24 Kol Nidrei ॐ
- 24-25 Yom Kippur ॐ
- 24-30 Int'l Week of the Deaf People
- 26-27 Makar Sankranti ☽
- 29 Sukkot Begins ॐ
- 30 National Day of Truth and Reconciliation / Orange Shirt Day

Sept 30 – Orange Shirt Day



October

- German Heritage Month
- Canadian Women's 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
- 16 Sukkot Ends ॐ
- 7-8 Simchat Torah ॐ
- 15-24 Navaratri ॐ
- 18 Hanukkah ॐ
- 19 Spirit Day
- 20 Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth ॐ
- 24 Dussehra ॐ
- 24 Vesak / Wesak / Buddha Day

November

- 1 Museum Day
- 7 National Inuit Day
- 8 Indigenous Veterans Day
- 12 Diwali ॐ ☽
- 12-18 Multiculturalism Week
- International Day for Tolerance
- 16 Metis Day
- 20 World Child Day
- 20 Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur ॐ
- 25 Holocaust Memorial Day
- 27 Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib ॐ



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 ॐ
- 8 Bodhi Day ॐ
- 21 Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere)
- 24 Christmas Eve †
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- 26 Kwanzaa Begins

Nov 12 – Diwali



January

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

Dec 25 – Christmas



February

- Sikh Heritage Month
- 10 Lunar New Year ॐ
- 10 Moose Hide Campaign
- 14 Vasant Pancham ॐ
- 14 Ash Wednesday †
- 14 National Day of Action to Honour Missing Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, Trans and 2-Spirited
- 15 Nirvana Day ॐ
- 20 World Day of Social Justice
- 21 Int'l Mother Language Day
- 26 Lantern Festival
- 26 Maghe Suiya Day ॐ
- 28 Pink Shirt Day

March

- Sikh Heritage Month
- 1 Zero Discrimination Day
- 8 Maha Shivaratri ॐ
- 8 International Women's Day
- 10 Ramadan Begins (Ends April) ☽
- 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 ॐ
- 25-27 Holi Mohalla ॐ
- 25 Holi ॐ
- 25 International Day of Remembrance of Slavery Victims and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
- 29 Good Friday †
- 31 Easter Sunday †

Mar 10 – Ramadan



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May

- Asian Heritage Month
- Canadian Jewish Heritage Month
- 5 Cinco-de-Mayo
- 5 Dutch Heritage Day
- 5 Red Dress Day
- 5-6 Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) ॐ
- 10 Bear Witness Day
- 15 Buddha's Birthday ॐ
- 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 / Wesak / Buddha Day / Vaisakhi Purni ॐ ☽

June

- National Indigenous Heritage Month
- Roman Heritage Month
- Pride Season Begins
- Filipino Heritage Month
- Portuguese Heritage Month
- 11-13 Shivratri ॐ
- 14-19 The Hijab ☽
- 16 Guru Arjan Martyrdom ॐ
- 17 Eidi 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



July

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

August

- 1 Emancipation Day
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 12 International Youth Day
- 15 National Asean Day
- 19 Birth of Lord Krishna – Janmashtami ॐ

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 sighting of the moon.
Dates listed are the best predictable dates for those faiths that follow a lunar calendar, including Judaism, Islam and Indianism.
On days shown in bold letters, schools are encouraged to avoid scheduling any school event that doesn't align with the EOI event taking place 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!

GILMORE'S HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Spring Session: Apr 15 to Jun 17, 2024

OUR HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Is one of PAC's fundraising activities, and run by volunteer parents. 100% of the profits goes to support all students, teachers and the school in classroom equipment, extracurricular activities, and supplies.

HOT LUNCH DAYS

- Monday, April 15 – Just Poke Rice Bowl
- Monday, April 22 – Sushi Lovers
- Friday, May 3 – Fusion Feast Pizza
- Friday, May 10 – Subway Sandwich
- Wednesday, May 22 – Frozen Yogurt
- Monday, May 27 – Fusion Feast Pizza
- Friday, June 7 – Hotdogs and Krispy Krakle Donuts
- Wednesday, June 12 – Frozen Yogurt
- Monday, June 17 – Fusion Feast Pizza

HOW TO ORDER

- Go to <https://munchalunch.com/schools/gilmore> or click the MunchaLunch icon on the Gilmore school website.
- For first time users, click the "Register Here" button and the system will guide you through.
- For returning users, click the "Login Here" button to access your account.



NOTES / REMINDERS

- This session (April – June) will be open for orders on April 3, 2024. The deadline to order Poke Rice Bowl is April 9, 2024.
- Orders must be placed up to 7 days prior to the next upcoming lunch.
- Please try to place all orders for each session at once as there is a fee for each transaction.
- To reduce waste, we are encouraging students to bring their own plates or containers for pizza and hotdog days.
- If your child is absent on the hot lunch date, we are unable to provide a refund. You are welcome to come and pick up the order between 11:50am – 12:15pm. Please email gilmorelunch@outlook.com no later than 10:00 am.
- For any questions or issues ordering, please email gilmorelunch@outlook.com

Please send children with your own utensils, vendors will not be supplying cutlery.





Early Learning for Families Events



Do you have a 3 - 5 year old preschooler? The Richmond School District welcomes your family to the **Early Learning for Families (ELFF)** events. Join us for fun and engaging learning experiences while meeting new friends and building home to school connections. It's also a great opportunity to ask questions all about Early Learning.



Connect with families



hands-on activities



music & movement by Ginalina

FESTIVAL CULTUREL FRANCOPHONE FRENCH CULTURAL CELEBRATION



LE 16 AVRIL 2024
5:00-8:00 PM

ÉCOLE MCROBERTS
8980 WILLIAMS

This year the Richmond School District is hosting the second annual **Festival Culturel Francophone**. This event is open to everyone, regardless of age, background, or language proficiency. We welcome you to come and celebrate with us, meet new people, and learn about French culture. Admission is free, so bring your friends and family.

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH CONCOURS d'art oratoire Canada's French Public Speaking Contest

As a conclusion to school based Concours events, the District will be hosting a District level competition during the festival. Concours d' art oratoire is a French public speaking competition that takes place in BC every year. The competition is organized by Canadian Parents for French, a non- profit organization that promotes French language education and cultural opportunities for youth. Concours d' art oratoire is open to students in grades 6 through 12 who are learning French as a second language or who come from French- speaking families. The competition is designed to help students develop their oral communication skills in French and to build their self- confidence.

For more information visit the [cpf website](#) or contact your child's school

EVENTS/ ÉVÉNEMENTS



DISTRICT LEVEL CONCOURS D'ART ORATOIRE SPEECH COMPETITION - STUDENT WINNERS WILL GO ON TO COMPETE IN PROVINCIALS



FRENCH CONCERT FOR CHILDREN HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS IN DRUMMING, COOKING, CIRCUS PERFORMANCE AND DANCE



FRANCOPHONE THEMED FOOD TRUCKS AND MAPLE SYRUP TASTING



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