



**James Gilmore
Elementary**
8380 Elsmore Road
Richmond, BC
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Trevor Shuto
Principal

School Schedule:
8:40 - Warning Bell
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	Immunization Clinic Gr. 6 and 7 for those who authorized Hot Lunch - Poke Bowl
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Important Dates!	
Dec 16th	Hot Lunch - Taco Luis
Dec 18th	Winter Concert 6:00 Dress Rehearsal 1:00
Dec 19th	Learning Updates - Reports Live on MyEd
Dec 20th	Last Day of School before Winter Break
Jan 6th	First Day back at School after Winter 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. Welcome to Gilmore!

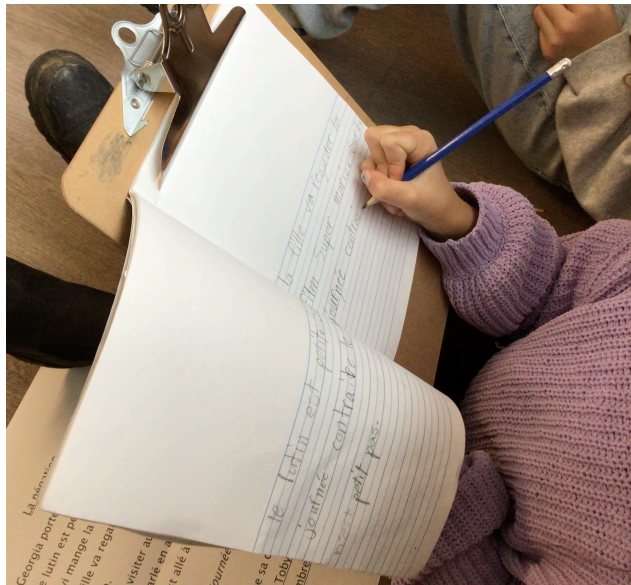
- Gilmore Winter Concert:** will take place on December 18th at 1:00 for a dress rehearsal (families welcome to attend) and 6:00 (families welcome to attend). Both will take place in the gym.
- Learning Updates - Reports and ELL Reports:** will go live on MyEd Parent Portal on December 19th at 3:00. If you are a parent of an ELL student you will also see your child's ELL progress report in the MyEd Parent Portal when you login. This is new this year. Please save a copy of the PDF of any reports that you see so that you can access them for your future reference. Please do this before January 19th, 2025 as that is when access expires. Please also ensure that you can access / have updated your password prior to this date.
- Toy Drive for Gilmore Gardens:** please see a student driven initiative posted below.
- 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

What are you learning about? Why is it important?

“I am learning how to write in French with new words. This will help us learn French and get better at writing”

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.





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 containers. Please don't crush / flatten containers. Please only put a max of 12 glass bottles in each bag. Please remove garbage from bags before returning. Thank you for your support!

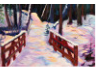
SD38 and Multi-faith Society Reconciliation, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Calendars

An inclusive calendar is a living document that shares dates of significance, recognition, and celebration. Dates for each month will be highlighted here.

December 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- 2 International Day for Abolition of Slavery
- 3 Int'l Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- 8 Bodhi Day ☸
- 9 International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime
- 10 Human Rights Day
- 13 Salgirah
- 21 Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere)
- 24 Christmas Eve †
- 24 Quviasukvik Begins
- 25 Christmas †
- 25 Hannukah (ends Jan 2) 🕎

DECEMBER 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 ☸ Little Spirit Moon ☸ Big Spirit Moon ☸ First Sunday of Advent (W) ☸ World AIDS Day ☸ Union Day (Romania) ● New Moon	2 ☸ Int Day for the Abolition of Slavery (UN) <input type="checkbox"/> National Day (UAE) <input type="checkbox"/> National Day (Laos)	3 ☸ Int Day of Persons with Disabilities (UN)	4	5 ☸ Int Volunteer Day (UN)	6 ☸ Nat Day of Rem / Action on Violence Against Women (Canada) <input type="checkbox"/> Independence Day (Finland) <input type="checkbox"/> Constitution Day (Spain)	7 ☸ Int Civil Aviation Day (UN) <input type="checkbox"/> Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (USA)
8 ☸ Bodhi / Rōhatsu (Awakening) Day	9 ☸ Int Anti-Corruption Day (UN)	10 ☸ Human Rights Day (UN) <input type="checkbox"/> Constitution Day (Thailand)	11 ☸ Masá'il ☸ Maunajyaras ☸ Int Mountain Day (UN)	12	13 ☸ Birth Date of the Aga Khan <input type="checkbox"/> Lucladagen (Sweden)	14
15 ☸ Sanghamitta Day <input type="checkbox"/> Bill of Rights Day (USA) ○ Full Moon	16 <input type="checkbox"/> National Day (Bahrain) <input type="checkbox"/> Bijoy Dibash (Victory Day) (Bangladesh)	17	18 ☸ Int Migrants Day (UN) <input type="checkbox"/> National Day (Qatar)	19	20 ☸ Int Human Solidarity Day (UN)	21 ☸ Yaldá Night ☸ Tohji-taisai ☸ Yule <input type="checkbox"/> Pancha Ganapati ☸ December Solstice
22 <input type="checkbox"/> Tenno: Tanjōbi (The Emperor's Birthday) (Japan) <input type="checkbox"/> Festival of the Radishes (Mexico)	23	24 ☸ Christmas (W. E - New Calendar) ☸ Eve of Hanukkah	25 ☸ Anniversary of the Death of Prophet Zarathustra ☸ First Day of Hanukkah ☸ Kwanzaa ☸ Boxing Day (Canada, UK)	26	27	28
29 <input type="checkbox"/> Independence Day (Mongolia)	30 ☸ Sharaf <input type="checkbox"/> Rizal Day (Philippines) ● New Moon	31 ☸ Ghambar Maidyarem begins <input type="checkbox"/> Ōmisoka (Japan)				

Please see information about other events and opportunities below!



Date: January 14, 2025

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Where: Zoom

Register: QR code below

ONLINE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

The Richmond School District invites community members to participate in an Online Public Open House.

This virtual event offers a convenient opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and provide input that will help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy.

If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute. Email your questions or feedback to the Richmond Project Team at planning@sd38.bc.ca.

Scan QR code to register:



Personal Digital Devices

Personal digital devices should not be used unless permission has been granted. Students are expected to adhere to the Acceptable Use Guidelines and District Code of Conduct.

Read the full policy here: sd38.bc.ca/devices





TOY DRIVE FOR GILMORE GARDENS

BRINGING JOY TO SENIORS AT GILMORE GARDENS

We are collecting new (or gently used), huggable stuffed animals to cheer up the residents at Gilmore Gardens.

How You Can Help:

- **Donate stuffed animals:** Teddy bears, bunnies, pigs, or any other clean stuffed animal in good condition
- **Drop off your donation** in the bin in the foyer of our school
- **Do before:** December 13th

Why Stuffed Animals?

You may think stuffed animals are associated with younger kids, but really, who doesn't love the feeling of being hugged by a cute little teddy bear or pig? Surely the seniors would agree; those who don't have family nearby may experience loneliness, and we hope the stuffed animals will bring extra comfort during the holiday season.

