Gilmore News

https://gilmore.sd38.bc.ca/

James Gilmore Elementary

8380 Elsmore Road

Richmond, BC

V7C 2A1

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

Important Dates!

March 14th	Last School Day Before Spring Break
March 31st	First Day Back to School
April 18th	School Closed - Holiday
April 21st	School Closed - Holiday
April 23rd	PAC Meeting

Monday	Hot Lunch - Sushi
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Last Day of School Before 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. Welcome to Gilmore!

1. **Personal Digital Devices Policy (Watches) -** include watches that can record or take pictures. Please remind your child(ren) to keep those devices at home as they are beginning to cause problems with privacy and kids recording or taking pictures of others without permission. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

2. **School District Strategic Plan Survey -** Please see below for a survey to help shape our District's future together. You would have received this directly form the District already via email. Just wanted to remind you of it.

3. **PAC Pedal Heads Fundraiser:** For $25 off ALL PedalHeads Camps and Programs please use promo code: RICHGIL25. Each time the code is used, Gilmore PAC will get $25. Code expires June 30th but can be used for programs/camps in July and August (you just need to register before June 30th). Please see the flyer below for more information. Email gilmorepacsd38@gmail.com with any questions.

4. **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.

5. **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?

"When we are having fun and playing in the snow, we can show our creativity, teamwork, and social skills. It is an opportunity to bond and share joyful moments with friends. The snow brings opportunities of joy, excitement, and connections in ways that are different than normal. The snow helps create memories with our friends!"

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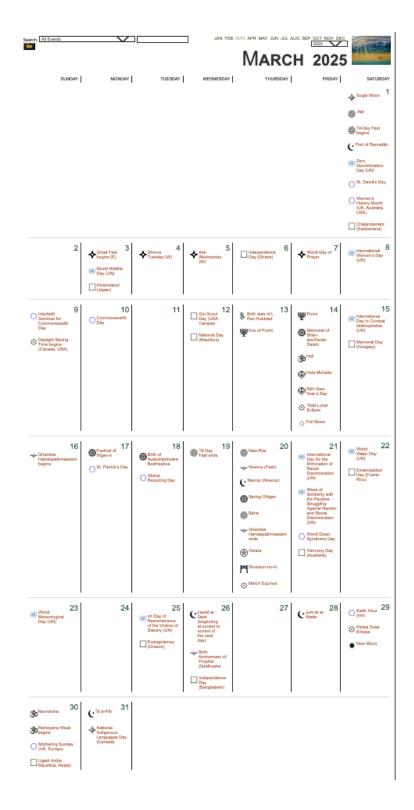
SD38 and Multi-faith Society Reconciliation, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Calendars

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

March 2025

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Irish Heritage Month

1	Zero Discrimination Day
8	International Women's Day
13-14	Purim 🕎
14	Holi ॐ
14-16	Hola Mohalla ☬
15	International Day to Combat Islamophobia
17	Neurodiversity Celebration Week
19	Nowruz – Iranian (Persian) New Year
20	Baha'i New Year
21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
21	World Down Syndrome Day
30	Chaitra Navratri (ends April 7) ॐ
30-31	Eid-al-Fitr Celebration ☪

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2025

MARCH 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Sugar Moon; Aliï; 19-Day Fast begins; First of Ramaḍān; Zero Discrimination Day (UN); St. David's Day; Women's History Month (UK, Australia, USA); Chalandamärz (Switzerland)
2	**3** Great Fast begins (E); World Wildlife Day (UN); Hinamatsuri (Japan)	**4** Shrove Tuesday (W)	**5** Ash Wednesday (W)	**6** Independence Day (Ghana)	**7** World Day of Prayer	**8** International Women's Day (UN)
9 Interfaith Services for Commonwealth Day; Daylight Saving Time begins (Canada, USA)	**10** Commonwealth Day	**11**	**12** Girl Scout Day (USA, Canada); National Day (Mauritius)	**13** Birth date of L. Ron Hubbard; Eve of Purim	**14** Purim; Memorial of Shen-bai/Zendo Dalshi; Holi; Hola Mohalla; Sikh New Year's Day; Total Lunar Eclipse; Full Moon	**15** International Day to Combat Islamophobia (UN); Memorial Day (Hungary)
16 Ghambar Hamaspathmaedem begins	**17** Festival of Higan-e; St. Patrick's Day	**18** Birth of Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva; Global Recycling Day	**19** 19-Day Fast ends	**20** New-Rūz; Nowruz (Fasli); Nowruz (Novruz); Spring Ohigan; Bahá; Ghambar Hamaspathmaedem ends; Ostara; Shunbun-no-hi; March Equinox	**21** International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (UN); Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling Against Racism and Racial Discrimination (UN); World Down Syndrome Day; Harmony Day (Australia)	**22** World Water Day (UN); Emancipation Day (Puerto Rico)
23 World Meteorological Day (UN)	**24**	**25** Int'l Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery (UN); Evangelismou (Greece)	**26** Laylat al-Qadr (beginning at sunset to sunset of the next day); Birth Anniversary of Prophet Zarathustra; Independence Day (Bangladesh)	**27**	**28** Jum'al al-Wida	**29** Earth Hour (Intl); Partial Solar Eclipse; New Moon
30 Navvarsha; Ramayana Week begins; Mothering Sunday (UK, Europe); Ugadi (India, Mauritius, Nepal)	**31** 'Id al-Fitr; National Indigenous Languages Day (Canada)					

Please see information about other events and opportunities below!

PEDALHEADS

- **For $25 off ALL PedalHeads Camps and Programs please use promo code: RICHGIL25**
- **The promo code expires June 30ᵗʰ, but can be used for July and August programming (you just need to register and apply the code before June 30ᵗʰ)**
- **Each time the code is used Gilmore PAC will get $25!**
- **There are no limits on how many times each family can use the code.**
- **Please share with your family and friends.**
- **See flyers below and visit:PedalHeads.com**

The C.O.D.E. Initiative

NEW CLASS ADDED! Explore block-based challenges in animation and game development to boost skills, enhance creativity, and foster teamwork.

Scratch Coding and Animation For Neurodivergent Children (7-13 yrs old)

Tues, April 1- May 6
4:30pm - 5:30pm
$185.00/6 sessions
Event ID #00387725

This program is designed for children who are autistic, neurodivergent, or have neurodevelopmental traits—no diagnosis required.

Scratch Coding and Animation For Children of All Abilities (7-13 yrs old)

Tues, April 1- May 6
6:00pm - 7:00pm
$185.00/6 sessions
Event ID #00387726

This program is designed for children of all abilities and skill levels in a supportive environment.

3 Ways To Register:
1.) www.richmond.ca/register
2.) Phone: 604-276-4300
   (Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5:00pm)
3.) In-person at any community facility

Registration Opens February 11

Additional information may be requested to better support individual needs.

NEW

CITY CENTRE
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

City Centre Community Centre
5900 Minoru Boulevard
www.richmond.ca/citycentre | 604-204-8588

Richmond

Richmond Board of Education
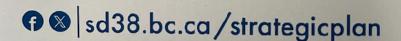# Strategic Plan
2025–2030

Shaping the Next Five Years, Together.

Scan to learn more and find out how you can get involved

sd38.bc.ca/strategicplan

RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.38

UBC GIRLsmarts4tech

Computer Science
Workshop Showcase

Sat, Mar 29 - Sun, Mar 30, 2025

10:00am - 3:30pm @ UBC Vancouver Campus

$35 Registration Fee* -- Lunch Provided!

Bursary available; see website for details.

Register Now!
cs.ubc.ca/girlsmarts4tech/registration

A Weekend of Learning

Join us for one or both days of workshops to get hands-on experience in four exciting computer science fields. Learn about new technologies with bright, like-minded peers, and our devoted volunteer team. This program is intended for girls and non-binary youth in grades 6/7. **All skill levels welcome!**

SATURDAY
Mar. 29
10am-3:30pm

Computer Vision: Computers can unlock phones with face ID and filter photos on social media, but how can machines "see"? Explore the fascinating field of computer vision, from colour theory to emotion detection, and its cool impacts everywhere!

Tech Ethics: When using Alexa or ChatGPT, how sure are we that our data is private? Or that we're making fair judgements? Take on the role of a software engineer, CEO, or politician, and learn how to make ethical choices as the future leaders of the tech.

SUNDAY
Mar. 30
10am-3:30pm

Robotics: Program, debug, and be amazed by the small but mighty Sphero bots! Discover how robots receive and interpret instructions, try your hand at teaching and troubleshooting your own robot, and understand where robotics goes from here.

Web Development: Create your very own website from scratch, using HTML and CSS! Delve deeper into how your favourite websites structure text and media, then use what you know to kickstart your career as a top-notch web developer.

Get in touch at
girlsmarts@cs.ubc.ca

Learn more at
cs.ubc.ca/girlsmarts4tech

UBC Department of
Computer Science

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**