



# THE "BEST" INFORMER



**MARCH 11 & 12, 2021**

\*\*\*\*Please note: All new and changed items are in red\*\*\*\*

**\*THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING YOUR MASK EACH DAY\***

## GENERAL

### MISSING COURSE SELECTION FORMS

The counsellors are missing many course selection sheets for the 2021-2022 school year. These forms are now overdue and need to be handed in to your respective counsellor as soon as possible.

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour before bed on Sunday, March 14.





### SPIRIT WEEK MARCH 15-20

## Spirit Week!!


MARCH 15-20

**Mon** Y2K - EARLY 2000S  
OR 90S

**Tue** SURFER VS BIKER 

**Wed** ST. PATRICK 

**Thu** COLOR DAY!  
Grade 9 - Black    Grade 10 - Red  
Grade 11 - Blue    Grade 12 - White

**Fri** PJ DAY 

### PAC GENERAL MEETING

The next Charles Best PAC Meeting is on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 7:30pm via Zoom. Please click on the link below if you would like to attend.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85881803857>

Meeting ID: 858 8180 3857

### DONUT FUNDRAISER

**Students4Students** is having a donut fundraiser on Monday and Tuesday during flex blocks.

Regular doughnuts are \$1.50 and long johns are \$2.50. Card payments accepted. All items will be individually wrapped, no change will be given and social distancing will be in effect. Profits go to the Silokwethemba charity where every \$50 raised sends one child in Zimbabwe to school for an entire year!

Please support this great cause.

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS MARCH 17, 2021

Parent teacher interview sign up for parents will begin on March 13.

Please check the school newsletter being emailed on Friday, March 12 for more information including the link to register.



**GRAD 2022 PARENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Parents of current Grade 11 students: It's not too late!** If you've missed our previous meetings, it's not too late to join us! We welcome all parents that want to be part of this exciting time, to join us and participate in decision making.

**\*\* Our next online meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17 @ 7:30pm \*\***

If you are interested in attending the meeting, please email [bestgrad2022@gmail.com](mailto:bestgrad2022@gmail.com) and you will be sent an invite with details on how to connect.

We hope to see you soon!

**YEARBOOKS**

Only 57 yearbooks available for the whole school! Don't miss out-order yours online today. If you don't know if you purchased one yet just check "payment history" when you are in school cash online and it will show you what has been processed.

**SCHOOL FEES**

All fees are due and payable now. All school accounts must be clear by April 30, 2021.

**2<sup>ND</sup> HALF OF QUARTER 3**

March 15-19 schedule is posted below.

Parent Teacher Interviews are on Wednesday March 17. **Classes are all online that day.**

**Dr. Charles Best Secondary  
Quarter 3**



March 15 – March 19, 2021						
SPRING BREAK MARCH 22 - APRIL 5, 2021						
(PLEASE NOTE: WEDNESDAY IS ALL ONLINE AND PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS)						
Period	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>0</b> (linear)	7:00 - 8:00 60 min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise students when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc. LINEAR: Basketball/Fitness, Butterfly Effect				
<b>1</b> (quarter)	8:05 - 10:35 warning bell @10:05 120 + 30**	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	8:05 – 9:05 On-line (A-Z)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)
	10:35 - 11:05 30 min	L U N C H				
<b>2</b> (quarter)	11:05 - 1:35 warning bell @1:05 120 + 30** min	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)	9:15-10:15 On-Line (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)
<b>3</b> (semester)	1:40 - 3:00 * 65 + 15** min	In class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	On-Line (A-Z) 10:25 - 11:25 Parent/Teacher Interviews start at 12:10 pm – 4:00 pm	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)
<b>X</b> (linear)	3:05 - 4:20 60 + 15** min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc. LINEAR: Fly Fishing, Athletic Leadership, Butterfly Effect - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - TBD by teachers (alternating). Times will be flexible depending on the projects.				

Q3 runs – February 2 – April 23, 2021 GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 2, 2021 EASTER MONDAY APRIL 5, 2021 RETURN TO SCHOOL APRIL 6, 2021

\* Period 3 Linear Jr. Band/Choir - Gr. 9/10; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - alpha splits  
Semester All other Blk 3 -

### **INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SUMMER SCHOOL**

International students wishing to know about this summer's course options should see Mrs. Joba for more information. Registration begins on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **BCIT VIRTUAL INFO SESSIONS FOR TRADES PROGRAMS**


March 11<sup>th</sup>, 5-6 pm: **Millwright**. Register here:

<https://www.bcit.ca/event/millwright-information-session-2/#rsvp-now>

March 18<sup>th</sup>, 5-6 pm: **Women in Woodworking**. Register here:

<https://www.bcit.ca/event/women-in-woodworking-building-our-own-seat-at-the-table-online-info-session/#rsvp-now>

### **SFU STEM WORKSHOPS**

If you are a Grade 9-12 student and you are wondering "What should I study in university? What are my career options if I am interested in STEM?", then check this out: 

#### **SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: FORENSIC SCIENCE**

Dr. Gail Anderson, SFU Professor and Co-Director of the Centre for Forensic Research will focus on the field of forensic entomology, which is the use of insects in criminal investigations.

Date: March 27, 2021 (Saturday) Registration is required by March 21<sup>th</sup>.

Time: 1:00-2:00 pm

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Grade: 9-12

Sign up link: <http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/393262987>

#### **SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: SOFTWARE ENGINEERING**

Dr. Brian Fraser, senior lecturer in the School of Computing Science at SFU, will focus on the area of software engineering, which involves the application of computer science and engineering principles to the development of software.

Date: April 17, 2021 (Saturday) Registration is required by April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Time: 1:00-2:00 pm

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Grade: 9-12

Sign up link: <http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/393834263>

#### **GO CODE GIRL**

Interested in computer science? Join us to learn how to code and how code can create change! Participants will learn coding through virtual simulation activities and games. Participants will also connect with current undergraduate computer science students and hear about their SFU journey. No coding experience necessary!

Date: March 27, 2021 (Saturday)

Time: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Location: Virtual via Zoom.

Grade: 8-10

Sign up link: <http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/394211538>

#### **YOUTH ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP 2021 (YAIL)**

YAIL is a youth leadership program for students age 15-17 run by District 5050 of Rotary International. It's designed to provide an authentic youth learning environment designed to inspire young leaders to develop a mindset for adaptation and growth. This year, due to Covid-19, instead of the usual weekend-camp format the event is online, and students do not need Rotary Club sponsorship.

Sessions are free of charge, and take place Thursdays, **April 15 to May 13**, 7-8.30 pm.

To learn more about this opportunity, go to the Rotary District Website:

<https://district5050.org/sitepage/yail/about-yail>

#### **SWEAT 2021 – STRUCTURED WORK EXPERIENCE & TRAINING**

ATTENTION Grade 11 & 12s: Are you considering a "creative career" after High School? LaSalle College Vancouver's SWEAT Program provides students with valuable 30 hours of work experience in a simulated creative work environment. Explore creative career opportunities in one of the following workshops as you learn to create project-based portfolio work with industry-related technology and equipment:

- 3D Modeling, Animation & VFX
- Game Design & Programming
- Professional Recording Arts
- Photography
- Culinary Arts and Baking & Pastry
- Fashion Design & Marketing
- Graphic Design
- Interior Design

This program is taking place **March 22 to 25, 2021**. 8.45 am to 5 pm (Spring Break) at the **LaSalle College campus, Vancouver**. Deadline for applications is March 15, 2021. Cost: \$150. Note: Limited class size and Covid protocols in effect.

To register: <https://www.lasallecollegevancouver.com/events/sweat-workshop-mar-2021>

### **CHARLES BEST SPIRIT WEAR AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

Devil's Den now has inventory! We have a limited number of t-shirts featuring our newest Blue Devil's design and are clearing out our French Immersion Spirit Wear hoodies and t-shirts!

Blue Devil's masks are also still available for purchase.

New Blue Devil design shirts: \$15

FRIM Hoodie: \$20

FRIM T-shirt: \$10

Mask: \$10

\*Items are now available for purchase online! Cash is still accepted in person.\*



### **ADDITIONAL SPIRIT WEAR ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE DEVIL'S DEN**



\*Items are also available for purchase online\*

### **HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR CAR YET?**

Grade 11's & 12's, if you are an 'N' driver and plan on parking a car at school this year, you must register the vehicle with the office. Please come by the office for a registration form.



## **GRADE 12'S**

### **GRADE 12'S SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

#### **JONAH CHRISTENSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was created by the Christensen family in memory and in celebration of Jonah's kindness, curiosity, mischievousness, and energetic drive to live life to the fullest. The donor hopes this annual award will encourage youth to reflect on these qualities as they look toward their future endeavours. Applicants will be required to submit a 750-word essay on the year's topic "**Describe a success or a setback you've had that precipitated a meaningful change of perspective in your life.**" Submissions in either English or French are accepted. Open for Grade 12 students planning to attend a post-secondary institution. For details check <https://celebratethechild.me/jonah-christensen-memorial-scholarship/>. Deadline: March 31, 2021.

#### **EAGLE RIDGE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY BURSARY 2021**

2 bursaries (\$2,500 each) are available for Tri-Cities students who are intending to pursue a post-secondary education in the healthcare field and must demonstrate financial need. For more information and to download the application form, go to: <http://erha.ca/home/bursary/> Deadline: March 31, 2021.

#### **2021 GRACE FAMILY NETWORK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

How has living through a pandemic changed your view of the world? Submit your essay to apply for one of three scholarships of \$500 each available to Metro Vancouver area students graduating in 2021. Priority will be given to students in financial need. For more information and to download the application form go to: <http://www.gfnf.org/#scholarship>. Deadline: May 31, 2021.

**\*\*Make sure to also check out the variety of scholarships included in our internal application package.**

The Best Scholarship Information Package is posted on the Career Centre website > Financial Aid tab and also on teams. **Deadline for all internal applications is Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm.**

### **LAST CHANCE FOR CAP AND GOWN**

Grade 12's this is the last week to purchase your Grad Cap and Gown and be a part of the Commencement Ceremony on June 9. The school will be placing our order before Spring Break so don't delay!

To order visit our school website, Quick Links, Student Fees and Cap and Gown.

## SPORTS

## CLUBS

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### **\*\*\*\*\*BE BEAR AWARE\*\*\*\*\***

This is the time of year bears can be seen near or on our school grounds. Do NOT approach one if you see one and report the sighting to an Administrator or staff member.

### **\*\*\*\*\*CROSSING COMO LAKE\*\*\*\*\***

All students: Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake Avenue.

### **\*\*\*\*\*STUDENT PARKING\*\*\*\*\***

Please do not park near the fenced off area in the upper parking lot. This is a designated area for our construction crew working on the school addition. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged.

### **\*\*\*\*\*SCENT FREE SCHOOL\*\*\*\*\***

All schools and buildings within SD43 are “scent free” places of work and learning. Numerous students and staff have serious medical complications with various natural and chemical scents/fragrances. As such, please make every effort to avoid using or wearing scented products within this space in order to establish an environment that is as “scent safe” as possible.

### **\*\*\*ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS\*\*\*NO LOITERING IN BUS SHELTER\*\*\***

Students are reminded that the bus shelters are for people who are actually waiting to get on a bus. Please do not use them as social gathering places.

### **\*\*\*\*\*STUDENT DROP OFFS\*\*\*\*\***

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

### **\*\*\*SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION IN THE DRIVEWAY/DROP OFF AREA IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL\*\*\***

Students are reminded to slow down and use the designated crosswalk area when crossing through the school driveway area. Be very vigilant as drivers are often distracted as they are moving in and out of waiting spots. Also, our student drivers are reminded that the expectation is “dead slow” in our school driveways and parking lots.

### **\*\*\*VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS\*\*\***

**Vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances.** There have been recent incidents in our school/district that have resulted in these devices unintentionally exploding which can result in serious injury for the user and those around them. For the safety of all of our students and staff, it is important that these devices are not on school property. Students are not permitted to have these devices in their lockers, backpacks, or on their person at any time while on school property. If a student is found in possession of a vaporizer or e-cigarette, it will be confiscated. Parents will be contacted and required to meet with the administration and their son/daughter. Reoccurring incidents will result in disciplinary action.