



# THE "BEST" INFORMER

**Monday, September 11, 2017**

Today is **Day 2**

\*\*\*\*Please note: All new items or any item with changes will be in **Red**\*\*\*\*

## GENERAL

### REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

Block 1	8:20-9:40
Block 2	9:44-11:03
Block 3	11:07-12:26
Block 4	12:30-1:49
Block 5	1:53-3:12

### PHOTO DAY RESCHEDULED

As there was a problem with the photography equipment, the photo day has been rescheduled to **Thurs Sept 21<sup>st</sup>**.

### STUDENT PASSWORDS

Any new students to the school, who have not received their passwords please see Ms. Silzer or Mrs. Holmgren in the Library.

### GRADE 9 LUNCH

Just a reminder that all Grade 9's have lunch during block 3, which is 11:07 – 12:26, you must remain on campus during this time.

### WORLD CLUB

Students interested in being a buddy to a new Canadian or international student, please meet in Mrs. Joba's room at 3:20 this **Wednesday (Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>)**.

This new club will also coordinate monthly activities focusing on different cultures found in our diverse school population. Since it's student led, we need your help! Everyone is welcome!

### TACO DEL MAR IS HIRING

Part-time positions available at the POCO location. Apply with resume to Ayrien at [pocotdm@gmail.com](mailto:pocotdm@gmail.com)

## SPORTS

### CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Best's cross country team's first practice will be **today, Monday** at 3:30. All students are welcome! Please dress appropriately for the weather.

If you missed the information meeting on Wednesday, email Mrs. Joba at [sjoba@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:sjoba@sd43.bc.ca) to get the season's schedule.

### JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLERYBALL

All grade 10 girls interested in playing volleyball our first tryout is **Tues Sept 12<sup>th</sup>** at 3:15 in the large gym. If you can't attend please talk to Mr. Chang.

### FIELD HOCKEY TEAM

Please come to assessments on our field **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** after school this week.

## GRADE 12'S

### SENIOR SAIL 2017

Senior Sail 2017 will take place on Thursday, September 21. Information regarding this special event was discussed with our grade 12 students during last weeks assembly. Tickets are **on sale, online only**, on the school website under Quick Links, Student Fees. Deadline to purchase tickets is **Monday, September 18**.

### BC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MINI MED SEMINAR

Any grade 12 science students who are interested in attending the BC Children's Hospital Mini Med Seminar sessions on Surgery, please see Ms. Cowie or email her ([tcowie@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:tcowie@sd43.bc.ca)) by Wednesday September 20th. There are only 2 spaces available and students need to be able to get to BC Children's Hospital in Vancouver for 6 Wednesday evenings (Oct 18- Nov 22) from 7-9pm.

**DOUGLAS COLLEGE- PLEASE NOTE- EARLY DEADLINE (NURSING)**

Foundations of Nursing program applicants must apply before October 2nd, 2017!!

**UBC FALL INFO SESSION**

Mark your calendars now for the November 8th *information session* in the Library after school.

**ORDERING TRANSCRIPTS**

If you require a transcript, please allow 2-3 days for processing.  
Fill out a pink transcript request form in the office at Ms. Gibson's desk.

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

**\*\*\*\*\*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.

**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.

**\*\*\*\*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 a social gathering place.

**LITTER IN THE HALLWAYS**

Students are reminded to clean up after themselves. It is a continual challenge to keep our school clean for all of us given that lunch hours take place all day long. Please pick up after yourself and your friends. Remember, we have garbage, bottle recycle, paper recycle and organics bins in regular locations throughout the building. Let's all PITCH IN together!

**\*\*\*VAPORIZERS – AN ADDITION TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT\*\*\***

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

We have noted an increase in the use of these devices by our student population at Charles Best. While there are documented health concerns associated with vaping, these devices have also become a safety issue. We are using this opportunity to inform students and parents **that 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.