



THE "BEST" INFORMER

Friday, October 06, 2017

Today is **Day 2**

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

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would the following students please come to the office.
Dylan Pascual and Anderia Barzanji

FALL PLAY

The short list is out and there is a meeting on the Stage today, **Friday Oct 6th** after school at 3:20 pm.

SAGA MEETING

SAGA-THE Sexuality and Gender Acceptance Club will be having their first meeting of the year on **Tuesday October 10**, after school in Room 103 (Textiles Room). Look forward to seeing you there!

FORKLIFT CERTIFICATION-STUDENTS 16 AND OLDER

Students who are interested in getting their "Forklift" certification can do so on **October 20 and 21** (pro-d day + Saturday). The all-day (9.00am - 3.00pm) course is only \$199. Training site is 857 Cordova Diversion in Vancouver. Class size is limited to 6 students and done on a "**first come, first served**" basis. Interested students can see **Mr. Jones** in the office for an application form. For more information, you can contact Mr. Doug MacLean by phone (**604-341-8977**) or email (dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca)

MATH CONTESTS

Any students interested in writing the Math Contests this year need to see Mr. Dy rm 116 at 8am any day this week to register.

TRIP TO THE PUMPKIN PATCH!-Oct 20TH

On **Oct 20th** the Pro D day French Leadership Council will be hosting a field trip to the pumpkin patch. If you are interested, please come to a meeting today, **Friday, Oct 6th** after school in Room 108.

PRACTICE SAT-ONLY 4 SPOTS LEFT

TODAY LAST DAY TO PAY IS FRIDAY OCT 6TH

Students who want to attend an American University must write the SAT Exam. We are holding a sitting of the Practice SAT (PSAT) **on Wed, Oct.11** from 12:30 -3:30. This is designed for grade 10 and grade 11's but grade 12's are welcome, as well. There is a \$25.00 fee. Please see Mrs. John in the counselling office for more information and sign up. **There are only 4 spaces left so it will be first come, first serve.** Once you have seen Mrs. John please go to the office and see Ms. Lynn to pay for it and receive your booklet.

SPIRITWEAR SALE

Order on-line on our website until **Nov 2nd**! Do not miss out! Sample sizes available to try on in the office. There are no refunds for wrong sizes.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Coquitlam Special Olympics basketball program needs volunteers!

One need not know how to play basketball, but should be empathetic, caring and respectful.

Location: Fridays 6:30 at Charles Best starting today, **Oct 6th**.

Volunteers have earned needed hours, great letters of recommendation and the immediate love of many athletes. Phone Greg Bodin at 604-313-7748

KENYA TRIP SUMMER 2018

There will be a Kenya Trip parent information meeting on **Thursday Oct 12** at 6:30pm in the library. If your son/daughter is interested in attending, please make sure to attend this important meeting. Finances and upcoming dates will be discussed. If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please contact Lindsay Martin (lmartin@sd43.bc.ca), Vivienne Royle (Vroyle@sd43.bc.ca) or Alison Stuart (AStuart@sd43.bc.ca).

SPORTS

GR. 9 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Congrats on winning your first set yesterday! However, we still have lots to work on so make sure you are at practice **today after school** at 3:20. We will aim to finish at 4:45.
Jenna McLatchey, please see Ms. Howell.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB

Registration is happening now until **October 31**. **The 1st trip is already half sold out, don't miss out!** There are only 50 places/seats available per trip. First come, first served. Fees are payable online only on our school website under student fees.

GRADE 12'S

PEER COUNSELLING:

Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, October 11th after school in the Counselling Center. All interested students are welcome to attend.

APPLICATIONS OPEN

Douglas College and SFU are now open for fall 2018 applicants.

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.