

THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

HAPPY



ALTERED BELL SCHEDULE

Block 1	8:20-9:26
Block 2	9:30-10:36
Assembly	10:40-11:45
Block 3	11:49-12:55
Block 4	12:59-2:04
Block 5	2:08-3:12



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN



CHARLES BEST'S HAUNTED HOUSE

Visit Dr. Charles Best's Haunted House! Tuesday October 31st during blocks 2, 3 & 4.
\$2.00 per person. A fundraiser for Crossroads Hospice.

HALLOWEEN PHOTO BOOTH

Come to the front foyer tomorrow during blocks 1-3
Bring a food item or loonie and have your picture taken.

SAGA MEETING CANCELLED

SAGA meeting cancelled today. Have a great Halloween everyone!

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: STUDY PERMIT RENEWAL WORKSHOP

Mrs. Xie, from International Education, will be in the EAL/International classroom this Friday, Nov. 3rd, from 3:15 – 4:15 to explain the renewal process necessary for reapplication. All internationals are encouraged to attend. Please bring your passport with your current study permit.

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE:

Sean Cotnoir, Alex Ebeling, Trevor Hamakawa, George Maior and Hannah Van Laethem.

SPIRITWEAR SALE THURSDAY FINAL DAY TO ORDER

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.

HOODY COLLECTION FOR COVENANT HOUSE

We are hoping to collect some **new or gently used, adult sized hoodies** to be distributed through Covenant House to homeless and at risk youth. For two weeks from **today - Nov 4th** there will be a box in the lobby of the school. Thank you in advance to anyone who decides to donate. If you have any questions, you can contact Sandyt@telus.net

BOBCAT CERTIFICATION

Any student who is interested in gaining their Bobcat Certification on Friday Nov 10 can see Mrs. Healey Wright in the Career Office for an application form. The training is from 9:00-3:00 at Thomas Haney Secondary School in Maple Ridge and cost \$185. Only three seats available. For more info students can contact Doug MacLean at dmclean@sd43.bc.ca or 604-341-8977.

SPORTS

GRADE 9 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Please meet in the big gym for a very brief meeting to collect CLEANED uniforms and plan our season-end party.

FIELD HOCKEY

Practice Wednesday Nov 1, 2017 at 3:30 on our field.

JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL TRYOUT

All boys interested in playing on the junior boys basketball team must attend the first tryout today, Oct. 31st after school in the main gym. If you have any questions please contact Coach Depelteau at ddelpeteau@3dbasketball.net before Tuesday's tryout.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB-

Registrations need to be filled out ASAP!!

See list of names that still need to fill out forms on the office window.

There are only **6** places left for **March 11th**. Don't miss out, if you are interested to join, you must sign by today, **Oct 31st**.

GRADE 12's

GRAD 2018 CLOTHING

Grad wear is now on sale until **Fri Nov 17th**. Please order online @ <http://bestgradwear.com>
Please see Ms.Lynn in the office for sample sizes. See Ms.Thomas or Mr.House if you have questions.

GRADE 12 GRAD GOWN SIZE FORM

If you have still not handed in your form for your grad gown size please complete and return to Mrs. Zanatta in the office. Blank forms are available in the office.

SFU 'ASK ADMISSIONS' WEBSITE

NEW!! Ask Admissions website <http://www.sfu.ca/students/askadmissions> One stop shop for FAQs related to: Applying to SFU Next steps in the admissions process Where to send documents Contact Form Ask questions. Submit supporting documentation.

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.

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.