



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday, October 02, 2018

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

GENERAL

DRESS YOUR BEST FRIDAY

Show your school spirit this Friday by wearing your "BEST" clothing; T-shirts, hoodies, Sweat pants. Staff and students who do not have best wear please wear school colors; BLUE, BLACK, GREY/SILVER!

GO DEVILS GO!!! #bestpride

GO CARD PICK UP

If you haven't received your go card, please come to the office to pick it up.

For those students who had their photos taken on re take day, their go cards will be delivered on **Oct 15th**.

For those students that had errors on their card or had their picture taken and didn't get one, they will also be delivered on **Oct 15th**.

FORCE OF NATURE CLUB

Do you care about the environment? Do you want to make a difference? If so, then come join the Force of Nature Club! Our club works with this non-profit organization to improve the environment and create change in our community! You can also get lots of volunteer hours! For anyone who is interested, come to our first meeting today, **Tues Oct 2nd** at 3:20 in Room 303. There will be snacks available.

PRACTICE SAT

Limited spots, only **4** left, so sign up ASAP.

PROJECT H.E.L.L.O.

Are you interested in giving back to the community, reconnecting families and gaining volunteer hours? Then you'd be perfect for Project H.E.L.L.O.! Our first meeting is today, **Tuesday, October 2nd** in portable 403. Hope to see you there!

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE

There will be an information meeting on **Thursday Oct 4th** in Room 309 at 3:25.

CHARLES BEST SPIRITWEAR

Charles Best Spiritwear Clothing is available on-line on our website **until October 31!** Don't miss out, order your hoodie **and or sweatpants now for delivery in early December! This is the only sale for this school year for grades 9-12.**

*****The office has sample sizes to try on, there are no returns for wrong sizes.*****

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR KENYAN STUDENTS

Please bring any spare clothes you have, to Room 218. This will really help our Kenyan visitors feel warm and welcome.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Here is a great way to get your volunteer hours and have fun too: Do you like working with children? If so you can be part of the Big Brother's Afterschool Program at a local elementary school. Please see Mrs. John in the counselling office for more information.

SPORTS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Open gym skills session for any girls interested in playing on the junior or senior girls basketball teams this year start **THIS THURSDAY Oct 4th**, 6:30 - 8 AM and will run weekly for the rest of the month. Work on your personal basketball skills, get ready for the upcoming season. Thursday mornings, gym opens at 6:30 am, skills sessions start at 7 am. It is highly recommended any girls that want to play this year make it to as many preseason skills sessions as possible. Try outs will be in early November.

GR. 9, JUNIOR AND SENIOR BOYS:

Pre season skills sessions for any boys interested in playing basketball this season. Wed. and Friday mornings, 6:30 - 8 am. Come work on your personal skills, get ready for team tryouts. Any boys attending need to come ready to work hard!

JR BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Congratulations to the Junior Boys Volleyball Blue team on their straight sets victory over Riverside's Green team and improving their league record to 2 wins and 1 loss.

SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB 2019

Dates: Jan 27, Feb 10 & 24, Mar 3 and April 7. Please see Mr. Major today, **Tuesday Oct 2** afterschool in the big gym for a quick meeting and to pick up your registration application form. First come first paid makes it on each trip.

JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER

See you Wednesday **Oct 3rd** at 3:00 at Riverside.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Charles Best's XC Team competed in their second meet of the year last Wednesday at Mundy Park. It was a successful race all around, with nearly all runners improving on their performance from the first meet of the season. Multiple athletes placed high in their respective races. Senior Girls: Isabel Wilson, 4th; Marina Verones, 7th; Amanda Tummonds, 15th. Senior Boys: Brendan Morden, 3rd. Junior Boys: Zach Gibney, 13th (2nd grade 9). Junior Girls: Lucy von Stefenelli, 1st (second straight win!), Amelia Hamnett, 11th. Congrats to all!

GRADE 11 & 12'S

TWO CANADIAN UNIVERSITY EVENTS

Riverside Secondary is hosting a Canadian University Event on **Oct. 4 in the large gym from 9-11 am**. 50 recruiters from across Canada will be there. Grade 11 and 12 students and parents welcome!

Pinetree Secondary is hosting a Canadian University Evening Event for S D #43 Grade 11 & 12 students and parents.

The event will take place on **Thursday, Oct. 4 from 6:30pm-8pm** in the Pinetree gym.

50 university recruiters from BC, Alberta, the Prairie Provinces, Ontario, Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces will be available to answer questions about admissions, the application process, programs, housing, scholarships and more!

Free Town Centre Parking (across the street from Pinetree) in Lot E has been arranged with the City of Coquitlam for attendees of the fair.

GRADE 12

GRAD TRANSITIONS

Attention all Grade 12s! You can now access the materials needed to complete your Grad Transitions. They are available on the school website under "Programs & Services" then "Grad Transitions". Please subscribe to the Grad Transitions channel on our school app to receive notifications about Grad Transitions!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

WHEN CROSSING COMO LAKE

To all students:

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

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

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.