



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday April 23, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

GENERAL

JEANS DAY THURSDAY MAY 1ST

Jeans Day is almost here and we need your support. As in the past, Charles Best will be participating in the BC Children's Hospital Jeans Day fundraiser On **Thursday May 2nd**.

All monies raised goes towards urgently needed equipment and research for childhood illnesses such as Cancer and Diabetes etc.

The buttons are available in the office and are \$5.00 each, so please let's support BC Children's Hospital and wear your jeans and your button on Thursday May 2nd.

Thank you in advance for your support.



PARADISE AT BEST DANCE MAY 15TH 6:30-9:00

Ticket sales are open now **until Monday May 13**. Tropical casual dress theme. No refunds. There will be a concession for snacks available. Tickets are for Charles Best students only, no guests are permitted at this school event. Students must have picture ID.

MIRACLE MOVEMENT: EVENT FEATURES!

Listen up y'all! Miracle Movement's annual celebration is coming up soon in May! This year's free, beach-themed event will feature amazing performances and awesome activities. Show up with your friends to support BC Children's Hospital. More info to come!

ATTENTION: INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

This is a reminder to be cautious of any emails, phone calls or text messages that you may receive.

All of our district emails end with sd43.bc.ca NOT gmail.com, yahoo.ca, etc.

If you receive anything suspicious, please forward the message to internationalel@sd43.bc.ca or see Mrs. Joba.

ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA

Would you like to spend a week next school year in Ottawa (including transportation, lodging, meals and more) for only **\$750**? If you answer is "Yes" and you have permission from your parents, please see Mr. Chang (counselor) a.s.a.p. Spaces are limited so acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis. There are 14 different theme weeks available. More information is available at https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/theme_week

YEARBOOKS GOING FAST-GET YOURS TODAY!

Notice to all students there are only 61 yearbooks left for the whole school! Don't miss out, purchase yours on-line today!

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Ranch Park Elementary is looking for volunteers to help with their fun fair on **Thursday, April 25th**. Please see Ms. Tsang if interested.

PORT MOODY SOCRATIC WEEKEND

The Rotary Club of Port Moody has been awarded a District Grant to hold a Socratic Weekend. Selected students from the Tri-cities will participate June 1 and 2nd in a Port Moody based event. *Students applying need to write an essay in Word, for a maximum of 500 words, and submitted electronically.* Essays should be submitted **no later than April 26th**. Please see Ms. Tsang for essay topic and details.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you love kids? Do you care about our planet? The Environmental Club needs YOU to help lead a Pro-D Day workshop at Baker Drive Elementary on **May 6th**! You'll gain volunteer hours and valuable leadership experience.

Email 080-iwilson@sd43.bc.ca for more information.

APRIL IS DAFFODIL MONTH

April is Daffodil Month join the fight to conquer Cancer and support those living with Cancer. Come to the office to donate and pick up your Daffodil Pin show everyone you care!



SPORTS

JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY

We have a home game this Wednesday. Let's have everyone at practice today to prepare for a hard game tomorrow.

GRADE 12

ENGLISH 12 REWRITE

Students interested in Re-Writing the English 12 provincial must come to the office to see Mrs. McKay and will be required to leave a \$10 deposit that will be returned on the day of the exam, **Thursday April 25th at 9:00am.**

OUTSTANDING FEES, TEXTBOOK/LIBRARY BOOKS ETC CHECKLIST

There are two lists posted, one in the foyer and one by the Grade 12 table please check for your name. If your name appears you have outstanding items that need to be cleared up in order to purchase Grad Dinner Dance Tickets on **May 7.**

BUS TO AFTERGRAD

Bus to aftergrad tickets are going fast please book asap there are a limited number of seats left.

VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING GRADE 12 GRAD TRANSITIONS AS WE APPROACH THE DEADLINE

Please remember that once your GT documents are uploaded to OneNote, it is essential that you e-mail a confirmation of completion to Mr. MacDonald or Ms. Weeks. Do not forget this important final step or your complete Grad Transition may not get marked. Your GT is NOT complete until you have received confirmation of completion from either Mr. MacDonald or Ms. Weeks.

GRAD 2019 SLIDESHOW

Attention all grads! Please send your "school days" pictures of you and your friends to bestpictures2019@gmail.com by **May 3rd**. These photos will be displayed at After Grad.

SNAPCHAT FILTER CONTEST FOR GRAD DINNER/DANCE AND AFTER GRAD

Ms. Thomas is collecting submissions for Snap chat filters for Grad Dinner/Dance and After Grad. The winner of each will receive a FREE After Grad ticket. All submissions are due **May 3rd**. Please email DThomas@sd43.bc.ca with your filter idea. The theme for after grad is "Hollywood".

GRAD DINNER/DANCE PLAYLIST

Attention all grads! Ensure that you and your friends have an amazing dance party this year at Grad Dinner/Dance. Please email your music requests to Ms. Thomas by **June 1st**. Only the "radio edit" versions will be played. DThomas@sd43.bc.ca

TRANSCRIPTS NOT SENT TO POST SECONDARY-SEE LIST POSTED

A list has been posted on the Career Centre bulletin board of grade 12 students who **HAVE NOT** sent their transcripts to post secondary schools yet. Please see Ms. Tsang if you have questions. Transcripts should be sent by **MAY 3, 2019!**

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITIES

1. Friendly reminder that the Coquitlam Optimist Club Scholarship and Coquitlam Ladies Auxiliary Bursary applications are to be submitted to Ms. Tsang by 3pm on **Wednesday, April 24th**.

2. Emily Carr's "Headstart in Art" course will be available to current grade 11 or 12 students or recent graduates. Please see career centre website under opportunities for more information and for an application form. Applications are due on Friday, **May 17** by 3pm. There are **only up to 20 seats available for the district** and it is on a "**first submitted, first considered**" basis.

GRADE 12's

Reminder to make sure your school fees are paid, textbooks/library books returned, and grad transitions are complete in order to purchase grad tickets in early May.

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.

*****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.

****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.