



# THE "BEST" INFORMER

**Thursday May 16, 2019**

**TODAY IS DAY 2**

\*\*\*\*Please note: All new items and any changed items are in red.\*\*\*\*

## GENERAL

### PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would Tayla Lumitao please come to the office for a message.

### BEST PRIDE DAY TOMORROW

Tomorrow, **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, Charles Best will observe the 50th anniversary of the decriminalization of Homosexuality in Canada with a Pride Day. Bring your inclusive attitude and wear the colour of the rainbow assigned to your grade. See us in the foyer in the morning to get a FREE Charles best pride bracelet!!!



MAY 17th

@bestgsa

Grade 12s wear **red**♥ and **orange**♥

Grade 11s wear **yellow**♥ and **green**♥

Grade 10s wear **blue**♥ and **purple**♥

Grade 9s wear the **rainbow**♥♥♥♥♥

Staff wear Best gear😊

### YES YOUTH GIVE ME MY PIZZA!

Tomorrow, **Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>** during Blocks 2-5 in the front foyer, there will be a pizza fundraising sale! \$1.50 per slice or \$10 a box. It's delicious and piping hot!

### A.P. EXAMS

Students who have registered for A.P. exams, see Mrs. John in the Counselling office for confirmation & instructions.

### YEARBOOKS GOING FAST – GET YOURS TODAY!

There are only **44** yearbooks left! Don't miss out. Purchase yours online today! If you have any outstanding fees, textbooks, library books etc you won't get your yearbook until your account is clear.

### ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Even though Orange Shirt Day is next October, Dr Charles Best is proud to lead the way by offering custom made Orange Shirts to all staff and students for \$10. They can be purchased online from the quick links section on our website. This great price is available until May 31! Get your t-shirts and be a part of the Reconciliation process to honor the 150,000 students that attended Residential Schools in our country. Our goal is to create a sea of Orange at our assembly!

### HAVE YOU ACTIVELY VOLUNTEERED AT THE SCHOOL?

We want to recognize you for your service at Best during the Awards Ceremony on June 18th. So please stop by the Counselling Office to pick up the nomination form, fill it out, and return it to Mrs. John by **May 20<sup>th</sup>**

### TUNE IN FOR MIRACLES - FRIDAY, MAY 31ST

Hey Charles Best, BC Children's Hospital needs YOUR help! On **Friday, May 31st**, show your support for local kids by showing up for *Tune in for Miracles*. From 3:30 to 6:00 pm, you'll get to enjoy sweet treats and live music in the school cafeteria. Admission is 100% free!

### FRESH ROOTS SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Do you want to get school credits while working in our forest and farm, earning money and friends? If you're entering Grades 10 - 12, join Fresh Roots for unique 6-week summer employment and leadership program where you will earn school credit (Environmental Studies 11) and a \$600 stipend! Based out of the Suwa'lkh Secondary school in Coquitlam. Develop your skills in growing, cooking, and selling food. Become better connected to your community and the local food system. Apply at [freshroots.ca/soyl](http://freshroots.ca/soyl). **Applications close May 31.**

### TRAIN IN TRADES PLUMBING PROGRAM

Grade 11 or 12 students interested in the TRAIN in Trades plumbing program? There's a free program at Piping Industry College on Annacis Island. If interested, contact Mr. MacLean [DMacLean@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:DMacLean@sd43.bc.ca)  
For more information, see <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/Plumber.aspx>

### 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 your answer is "Yes" and you have permission from your parents, see Mr. Chang. Spaces are limited so acceptance is first come, first served. More info [https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/theme\\_week](https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/theme_week)

## SPORTS

### JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY

The junior boys rugby team lost a nail biting semi final against rugby powerhouses Semiahmoo Secondary school. The final score was 27-29. Player of the game were Matteo Fogolin and Kyle Leitch. It was a great game with all players giving a great effort.

We play for 3rd and 4th next Wednesday and have practice Tuesday to prepare.

## GRADE 11 &12

### DELX EXAM CERTIFICATES

All grade 11 and 12 students who wrote their DELX exam in November need to pick up their certificate from Mme Kadhim in portable 404.

### GRAD DINNER DANCE TICKETS

Grad Dinner Dance tickets are on sale now **until May 20 on-line only!**  
Table reservations are on **May 27-29.**

### ONLY 2 SEATS LEFT ON BUS TO AFTER GRAD

It is **first come, first served**. Pay **online ASAP (like today!)** on the website under Student Fees.  
If you don't pay quickly, you will miss out.

### 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.

### GRADE 12 GRAD TRANSITIONS – DEADLINE APPROACHES

Once your GT documents are uploaded to OneNote, you **must** e-mail a confirmation of completion to Mr. MacDonald or Ms. Weeks. Remember 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 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 1<sup>st</sup>**. Only the "radio edit" versions will be played. [DThomas@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:DThomas@sd43.bc.ca)

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### \*\*\*\*\*CROSSING COMO LAKE\*\*\*\*\*

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

### \*\*\*\*\*STUDENT PARKING\*\*\*\*\*

Please do not park under or near the basketball hoops in the student parking lot, as students would like to use the hoops for games. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged

### \*\*\*\*\*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 social gathering places.

### \*\*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.

### 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.