



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday, January 14, 2020

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would the following student please come to the office to see Ms. Lynn
Eloise Herdman

POETRY IN VOICE

First meeting will be today, **Tuesday, January 14th** at 3:15 in the Library. See or email Ms. Silzer to sign up.
Competition is Thursday February 20th in the Library.

ODYSSEY MEMBERS

Club meeting after school **today, Tuesday January 14th**. Attendance is mandatory! Vital information will be discussed.
Please speak with Ms. Cho or Ms. Lauder if you cannot attend!

REDUCE METHANE GAS

Cows are one of the leading factors in the production of methane gas on our planet. Join us by not eating meat one day a week to try and help reduce the production of methane gas. We will be in the front foyer today during blocks 3 & 4 if you have any questions or want to get more info. We will be recording the number of people who come to see us. Our goal is 300, the more people the better. Come support your planet and help us reach our goal.

TIM HORTONS DOUGHNUTS

Come and grab a Koala-ty Tim Hortons doughnut **tomorrow, Wednesday January 15th** in the front foyer. Don't miss out on the delicious opportunity! All proceeds go towards the Australian Red Cross, helping the victims of the Australian wildfires.

CAREER ADVISORY WED JAN 15TH

Our next career advisory is **tomorrow, January 15th**

Grade 10s: You will continue to prepare for your literacy and numeracy assessments. Please bring your charged laptop.

Grade 11s: You will be attending a workplace safety assembly.

Grade 12s: Your Capstone Proposals are due. After that, you will be attending a workplace safety assembly.

GO GREEN CHALLENGE

Follow @go.greenorgo.home on Instagram to participate in simple challenges that will help the planet stay happy and healthy. The winner will be posted on **January 17th**.

SPRING AND SUMMER LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Volunteer opportunity is available with Ocean Wise, Youth to Sea spring and summer leadership program. Please see website for details and application. Spring placement applications close on **Thursday, January 30th**.

<https://vanaqua.tiged.org/youth/assignments/folder/1403>

ROTARY ADVENTURES

Citizenship applications are opened for students between the ages of 16 and 18. Please see career centre website under opportunities for details and application. Please email completed applications to Ms. Tsang by **Tuesday, February 11th** at 3:00 p.m.

GRADE 11 & 12

SNOWBALL WINTER DANCE

Snow Ball tickets will be on sale in the front foyer today, **Tuesday Jan 14th**. The tickets are **\$15.00**. You can also purchase tickets online!

GRADE 11 & 12 WINTER BALL JAN 20TH

Ticket sales open until **Wed Jan 15th** @ 9:00pm. Cost covers pizza, refreshments, DJ and photobooth. No refunds. Tickets are for Grade 11 & 12 students only, no outside guests permitted. Grade 10's can come as a guest. Guest forms must be filled out and are available in the office. Students must have photo ID.

BOARDING UALBERTA

This is a chance for **grade 11 students** to see the University of Alberta.
Applications deadline: **February 17, 2020**. See website for details and application: uab.ca/boarding

GRADE 12

CLC 12 – CAPSTONE SCHEDULE

The schedule for **April 15th** is now available in front of the library and also in the East stairwell on the top floor. Take a photo of your time and table number. Schedule changes will not be made except under exceptional circumstances and you must see one of the CLC teachers: Ms. Royle, Ms. Burnham, or Mr. Gant.

GRAD COUNCIL 2020

There will be an important Grad Council meeting on **Thursday, January 16th** after school in Room 101.

BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are interested in being nominated for the BC excellence scholarships- please submit brag sheet to Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by **Wednesday, January 22** at 3:00 p.m.

GRAD GOWN SIZE FORM

A reminder to all Grade 12s to please fill out and hand in the Grad Gown Size form to the office.

SPORTS

CHARLES BEST RUGBY:

Hoodies and Track Pants are in - pick them up after school in room 117.

Girls and Junior Boys are welcome to workout with the senior boys. Practice is optional for you. Stay tuned for first official practice notice.

SENIOR BOYS RUGBY

Reminder that Senior Boys Rugby practice and meeting today, after school. Come to Room 117 changed to do some fitness after the meeting (we will meet at 3:25). New players are welcome. If you have a commitment to another sport currently in season, please let Mr. Startin know if you have practice that day and cannot make the rugby fitness.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB - DON'T MISS OUT

FOR THE FINAL TRIP, APRIL 18TH only 4 spaces are still available.

Registration is online only. Please go to the Charles Best Website then Quick Links then Student Fees to register. First come, first served.

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.

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.