



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Monday, February 24, 2020

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

PINK SHIRT DAY IS WED FEB 26th

If you ordered a "pink shirt" online or would like to buy one please come to the front foyer today, **Mon Feb 24th** and **Tues Feb 25th** during blocks 3, 4 and 5. Shirts cost \$10 and it is CASH ONLY.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITY

Do you want to try an Escape Room? Are you an International Student who can miss the afternoon (blocks 3-5) on **Tuesday March 10th**? Please see Mrs. Joba for a permission form by this **Thursday Feb 27th**.

LOST AND FOUND

If you have misplaced anything recently please check the Lost and Found table in the hallway by the Career Centre. The table will be there until Wed Feb 26, anything left will be donated.

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE LOST AND FOUND CONTAINER FOR GARBAGE, use the proper bins in the front foyer for your garbage disposal!!!

There are also smaller items ie jewelry, keys, glasses etc in the office, come check and identify if it is yours.

EPIC PROGRAM

A request to all students who in are EPIC this year, and want to still be considered for that program next year- Please see or e-mail your counsellor to get a re-application form, which will need to be submitted along with your Course Request form.

YEARBOOKS GOING FAST!!

Don't miss out, order your yearbook online today. **Less than 45 left!!**

IT'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Have you heard of Violet King, if not she was the first Black Canadian to obtain a law degree in Alberta, the first Black person admitted to the Alberta Bar and the first Black woman to become a lawyer in Canada.

AP EXAMS

Students wanting to write the AP Exam this May, need to register at the office. The exams are \$160 each. The last day to register will be **February 28th**. For further information, please see Mrs. John in the Counselling area.

BUSINESS AND MEDIA

14 to 17 year old students interested in Business and media? BCIT is hosting a 2 week summer program in July and August. See Career Centre website under opportunities for details.

GRADE 11 & 12

BEEDIE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS HERE TODAY

SFU Beedie School of Business is hosting a drop in one on one advising session today, **February 24** at 2:30pm in the Tech & Career Centre.

FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY

Fairleigh Dickinson University is setting up an info table in the main foyer on **Feb 25** at 2:30pm.

SPORTS

JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER

The first junior Girls soccer tryouts will be held **tomorrow February 25th**, after school at 3:30pm on the Turf Field. All Grade 9 and 10 students who are interested in playing should attend ready to tryout out. Be prepared to stay until 4:45pm. If you have not already contacted Mr. Celenza about wanting to tryout for the team please do so at acelenza@sd43.bc.ca.

JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY

Practice today, Tuesday and Wednesday this week at Hillcrest. We need all players out - we have games March 3rd and 5th! New players are welcome.

TRACK & FIELD

There is still time to join Charles Best's Track and Field Team! Practices are Tuesday at Town Centre and Thursday at Charles Best. Please contact Mr. Gant if you are interested in joining the team.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BASKETBALL LEAGUE AT PORT MOODY

Are you an international student? Do you want to connect with other students through the game of basketball, building community and culture through training and competition?

Port Moody Secondary School is piloting this new league beginning on April 17th. Register before March 31st and pay only \$390. All players will keep their reversible uniform! See Mrs. Joba for more information.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB - DON'T MISS OUT

FOR THE FINAL TRIP, APRIL 18TH only 3 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.