

# Dr. Charles Best Secondary Newsletter

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*Our school goal is to develop a culture of connectedness and belonging within the school, among school staff, students, and our parent community, in order to enhance opportunities for collaborative partnerships.*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Semester 1 - Report Cards published

**Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm**

Dr Charles Best After Grad Fundraiser

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

Grade 9 Immunization Forms Due

**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

Grade 9 & 10's Programming Presentations (in Class visits)

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

After Grad Fundraiser with Me 'n Ed's Pizza

**Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

Grade 11 Programming Presentation (in the Gym)

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

Family Day

**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

Pro-D day



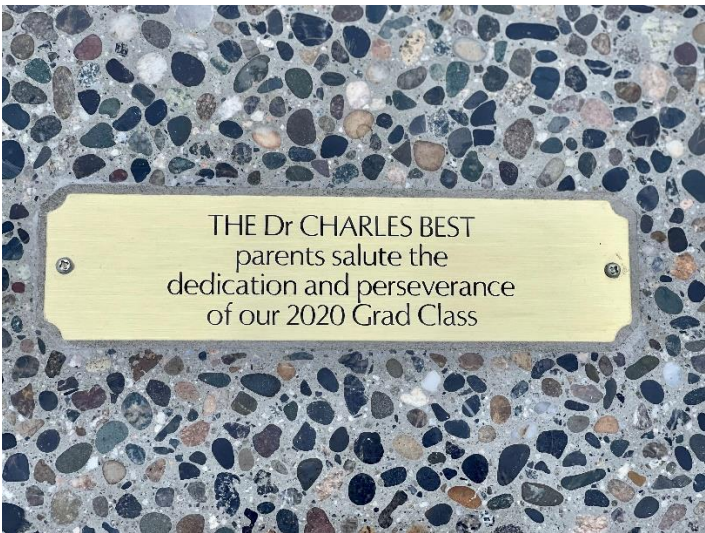
## DR CHARLES BEST PAC DONATES PICNIC TABLES TO HONOUR OUR GRADS!!!!

The Dr Charles Best PAC parents decided to honor the grad classes impacted by COVID. They purchased three cement picnic tables and had them installed at the front of the school. As soon as the weather improves, we know those tables will be well used. We have included pictures of the tables, the plaques honoring the previous grad classes and their installation. Thank you to the many 'Best' parents who participate in PAC meetings, activities, and fundraisers. The PAC also purchased new much needed wrestling mats, basketball uniforms, art supplies, archery supplies, book club, robotics club equipment, guest speakers for Social Justice class, equipment for our maker space in the library and student services games to name a few things.

If you would like to support their continued efforts to support our school, please consider a PAC contribution available through your child's cash online account.







**AFTER GRAD FUNDRAISER – THIS WEDNESDAY!!**

Let Me ‘n Ed’s take care of dinner on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>!

Order from Me n Ed’s (**Austin Avenue location**) and they will donate 20% of the sales back to the school.

**Mention ‘BEST AFTER GRAD’** when you order for take-out, dine-in or delivery. Thank you for your support!



PIZZA PARLORS

**PIZZA NIGHT FUNDRAISER!**

Mention Best After Grad  
when you order for take-out,  
dine-in, or delivery  
on Wed Feb 8th

Me-n-Ed's will donate 20% of the sales back to the school!



**Coquitlam 604-931-2468**



### GRAD FUNDRAISER TOMORROW NIGHT

GRAD FUNDRAISER AT THE GOLDEN PARROT – Parents, come out for a fun night at the Golden Parrot Pub (170 Golden Drive) on **Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> @6:30**. Price includes a burger, fries and choice of beverage. There will be a silent auction and 50/50 as well. Purchase tickets [Here](#).  
Contact [bestgrad2023@gmail.com](mailto:bestgrad2023@gmail.com) for more information and to arrange potential silent auction items.  
Grad 2023 thanks you for your support!

### SEMESTER 1 REPORT CARDS

All student report cards are now available through the Student and Family Portal.

**This PDF document can be found in the “Published Reports” section of the opening page.**

The Link to the Portal is <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>

\*If you are having any difficulties logging onto the MyEd Portal, please try the password until the account shows “disabled”. That will trigger a reset email that will be sent to your inbox.

Alternatively, you can complete the form located here: <https://forms.office.com/r/PV4HYeyHaj>

### PROVINCIAL ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Provincial Assessment marks from the November sitting are now available if you wrote a Provincial Assessment in early November.

- Go to <https://www.myeducation.gov.bc.ca/aspen/logon.do>
- Login to your MyEd Student Portal, Click on the “My Info” top tab, Click on the “Assessments” side tab
- You will see all the Assessments you have taken listed. Click on the date of the Assessment.

The Assessment details will be shown, and you will be able to view your mark here.

If you still need help, please see Ms. Thibault in the main office.



### IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ANY STUDENTS WHO RIDE PUBLIC TRANSIT

Translink has informed us that many of our students are claiming that they are 12 years old and therefore do not have to pay their transit fare. Please know that this is a warning to tell you, Translink will submit the audio and video recordings of our students getting on the bus at Como Lake Village, or in front of our school who claim they are 12 years old. Translink will issue tickets to you and if you do not pay those tickets, they send them to collection agencies etc. It does not look good for our school as well, when Translink explains that many of our students are doing this, not just one or two. Please be a responsible citizen in our community and pay your bus fare. You should bring your student ID so that you can pay the Concession (Student) rate.

They have assigned two officers to our bus runs every day so please be aware and be responsible.

If you must ride public transit and you are having trouble covering this fee, please parents, contact your child’s Vice Principal. We can help you get bus passes etc. Parents, we really need some help with this. Thank you so much.

### COUNSELLOR COURSE PROGRAMMING PRESENTATIONS

**Current Grade 9’s:** Counsellors will present in your Block 2 class on either Feb. 7 or Feb. 8

**Current Grade 10’s:** Counsellors will present in your Block 4 class on either Feb. 7 or 8

**Current Grade 11’s:** Counsellors will present in the gym during Block 3 on Feb. 9.

**Grade 11’s: If this is your lunch block you are still expected to attend.**

### “BEST” ATHLETICS

#### GOLF TEAM MEETING

Attention all Charles Best Golfers. There will a short golf team meeting on **Monday Feb 6<sup>th</sup>** in room 204 at 3:15pm regarding the upcoming season. Students of all grades and genders are welcome!

#### TRACK AND FIELD MEETING

Anyone interested in joining Charles Best’s Track & Field Team, please come to an information meeting on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> in Room 304 after school. Everyone is welcome! No previous experience necessary!

### JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to our Junior Girls’ Basketball Team!!! They came in Third at the recent Burnaby Central Wildcat Junior Tournament. Way to go Girls!!! Junior girls finished their league this week and head into their respective playoffs next week. Good luck in the playoffs!

### GRADE 9 BOYS BASKETBALL

Unfortunately, due to tiebreakers, our grade 9 boys basketball team did not make the SD43 playoffs. Congrats to the team on a successful learning year, thank you very much to Coach Nonis.

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### **SENIOR BOYS' BASKETBALL**

The senior boys participated in the Frank Hurt tournament last weekend, winning their fifth tournament in a row and getting back on track after a couple of tough losses in league play. The tournament MVP was Matteo G. The boys are back in action tonight at home versus Pinetree at 7pm. Come out and watch our Sr Boys tonight!

### **SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL**

The senior girls' basketball team participated in the G.W. Graham tournament in Chilliwack last weekend where they finished fourth. We had two all-stars for the tournament in first team all-star Jessica P and second team all-star in Denise M. Unfortunately, in the last three minutes of our final game at the tournament we lost Denise M to an ankle injury, which put this week's leagues games into jeopardy. On Monday, the girls played Riverside minus two starters as both Denise M and Eloise H are suffering from ankle injuries, the game did not go well for us. No time to mope though as we were right back into action against Centennial on Tuesday, the coaches made a few adjustments and the girls responded in a positive manner by beating Centennial and guaranteeing themselves at least a wildcard game into the Fraser North playoffs. On Thursday, we played our fellow honourable mention counterparts at Heritage Woods, this was a huge game for us, due to league placements and trying to avoid the wildcard game. The girls got gritty on the defensive end and turned the game into a defensive battle. We prevailed, winning 45-39, thereby giving us second place in the league and an automatic berth into the Fraser North Playoffs. We were led by the stellar defensive effort of Josie R, who despite giving up several inches managed to slow one of the Kodiaks stars. Great game by grade 9 Malaya B who stepped up to the senior team this week and provided wonderful defense, poise beyond her years and showed great scoring chops in helping the senior team win the two must win league games. Avin J and Jessica P were wonderful on both ends of the courts, so great to see the entire team step up their games this week.

### **SENIORS NIGHT TUESDAY FEBRUARY 7**

It's SENIORS NIGHT for our graduating basketball players! Come out to support our Grade 12's at their last home game of the regular season. Senior Girls game starts at 6pm and Senior Boys game is at 7:30pm against Port Moody Secondary.

### **CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS**

#### **WESTWOOD PLATEAU GOLF CLUB HIRING FAIR**

Looking for a job? Different departments are hiring for the golf season (April to October): Turf Care, kitchen, restaurant, banquets/ events, and golf operations. Bring your resume/ cover letter on Sat, February 25 or Sunday, February 26, 10 AM to 3 PM. [More info and registration here.](#)

#### **THIS WEEKEND - ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY JOB FAIR**

Gr 10-12 students are invited to attend the Royal Canadian Job Fair, happening on Sun, February 5<sup>th</sup>, at His Majesty's Canadian Ship Discovery, 1200 Stanley Park Drive, Vancouver, BC. [Sign up](#) to attend if you want to gain a deeper understanding about career opportunities with the Royal Canadian Navy.

#### **SD43 TRADES & CAREER PROGRAMS VIRTUAL INFO SESSION**

Students and their parents/ guardians who are interested in learning about the district's "Train in Trades" and "Work in Trades" programs, are invited to an info event on **February 15** at 6 pm. [Register here.](#)

#### **ENGINEERING EXTRAVAGANZA**

Girls\* in grades 8-10 will get to explore video game design and applications of games, and learn about current electricity, circuits, voltage, amps, and resistance which they will put altogether to create some simple circuits. This is a cooperation between Science Alive and Geering Up, taking place at the SFU Burnaby campus. Free. \*Trans, genderqueer and non-binary folks are invited to attend. Sat, Feb 11th, 10 am – 2 pm. [Register.](#)

#### **UBC ENGINEERING SESSION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS**

Grade 11s interested in a future career where you'll get to design, create innovate? Take this chance to learn about UBC's 14 engineering programs at both the Okanagan and the Vancouver campus. Wed, February 15, 5:30pm. [Register here.](#)

**UBC CHANGING THE WORLD: ENGINEERING THE FUTURE** Explore why engineering is an amazing career for those who want to change the world, help improve the lives of others and the environment around us. Virtual event for girls and gender non-conforming folks in grades 10-12, Wed, March 1, 6-7.30 pm. [Register here.](#)

### **POST SECONDARY EVENTS**

#### **SFU APPLICANT WORKSHOPS**

Have you applied to SFU and are struggling with self-reporting and what else may be required from you to complete your application? Don't despair, [register here](#) and get SFU to help you. February 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm.

#### **BCIT BIG INFO**

Find out more about BCIT's many programs and explore the Burnaby campus. Wednesday, February 15 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Burnaby Campus. [Register here.](#) Can't make it to Burnaby? Join online on February 22, 4-7.40 pm. [Sign up here for the virtual event.](#)

## POST SECONDARY EVENTS CON'T

### BCIT SHEET METAL INFO SESSION

The sheet metal trade consists of a wide variety of areas that you could be employed in. Sheet metal work includes heating, ventilation, and air conditioning in residential, commercial and industrial settings. Other specialized areas include stainless steel, industrial exhaust systems, architectural work and roofing. Want to learn more? Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 5 pm, BCIT Campus Burnaby. [Register here.](#)

### KPU WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN INFO SESSIONS

Fashion & Technology Portfolio discussion, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 4.30 pm (Richmond campus) | Graphic design for marketing, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6 pm (Richmond campus). [Sign up here](#) (bottom of the page).

### UFV GRAPHIC & DIGITAL DESIGN PORTFOLIO INFO NIGHT

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 6.30 pm, Abbotsford campus. [Register here.](#)

### CAPILANO UNIVERSITY: IDEA SCHOOL OF DESIGN PORTFOLIO DAY

Are you a creative thinker interested in CapU's 4-year Bachelor of Design in Visual Communication degree or the 2-year Interaction Design Diploma? Discuss your portfolio by joining online on Feb 11, 2023 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. [Register here.](#)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### PATHWAY TO TEACHER EDUCATION AWARDS

\$5,000 each will be awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment to and aptitude for a career in K–12 teaching, and will be pursuing post-secondary education in an approved teaching program in BC. [Details here.](#) **Deadline is February 15.**

### BCSTA SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENT CITIZENSHIP

Three awards of \$750 each are available for graduating students who have made outstanding contributions to their school and community. [Apply here](#) by **February 28, 3 pm.**

### PATHWAY TO TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Ministry of Education is awarding 20 x \$5,000 to high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment to and aptitude for a career in K–12 teaching. **Deadline: Wednesday, February 15, 2023.** [More info here.](#)

### COQUITLAM FOUNDATION BURSARIES

Students with financial need should [check this out](#). A variety of different awards is available, and you only submit one-for-all application. Value's tba, last year they ranged from \$500 to \$2,500. **Deadline is Friday, March 31.**

### HORATIO ALGER GRADE 11 SCHOLARSHIPS

160 x \$5,000 are awarded to **Grade 11 students** across Canada. Criteria are strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree, desire and ability to be entrepreneurial in a chosen field, extracurricular activities, perseverance in overcoming adversity, family income < \$65,000. **Deadline is Wednesday, March 15.** [Apply here.](#)

### COQUITLAM CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENING INTRO SKILLS SERIES (Feb 8)

Are you looking to put your best foot forward to start a new career?

Join our Wednesday evening course series that will teach you the basics to help get you ahead.

#### **Wednesday, Feb 8**

*Option 1: Intro to Job Search and Cover Letter (Class ID 7515)* <https://bit.ly/CCEIJS>

*Option 2: Intro to PowerPoint (Class ID 7521)* <https://bit.ly/CCEIPPTF8>

*Option 3: Intro to Windows 10 Basics (Class ID 7518)* <https://bit.ly/CCEIWF8>

\*All classes in this series are one session, from **6:30 pm - 8:30 pm** at Montgomery Centre (380 Montgomery Street).

\*\*Classes are \$39 each. Discounts are available when you sign up for additional classes:

For two classes, \$34.50 each: use discount code **2courses** during checkout

For three classes, \$33 each: use discount code **3courses** during checkout

\*\*\*Note we will adjust the price of your registered class(es) if the discount code is used in error.

## PAC CORNER

\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE – DATE CORRECTION\*\*\* Upcoming PAC meeting: **SHOULD SAY Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7:00 pm** in the school library. All parents are welcome!

**Did you know?** You can DONATE TO THE PAC ONLINE!

- Parent donations to the Charles Best PAC help to support various aspects of your student's educational experience. Each year, the PAC provides much-needed funds to support activities such as extracurricular clubs, AfterGrad, teacher appreciation, and student scholarships.
- Login to your student's portal on the School Cash Online system to make your PAC donation today.