

# Dr. Charles Best Secondary Newsletter

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Principal – Heather Murphy

Vice-Principals – Gordon Easton, David Jones, and Joel Nelson

*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:

### **Wednesday, January 27**

Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 Assessment

### **Friday, January 29**

Quarter 2 ends

Grade 8 Virtual Tour (to be held at each Middle School)

### **Monday, February 1**

School Based Pro-D Day (school not in session)

### **Tuesday, February 2**

First Day Semester 2

First Day Quarter 3

### **Monday, February 11**

Poetry In Voice online submission due

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## **DR. CHARLES BEST ALUMNI IN THE NEWS**

Dr. Charles Best Graduate (2019) Maranda Cherry is doing great things! She is president of the rocket club at Queen's University and is already getting scouted by Universities to carry on in her studies and her dream of working for NASA. Check out this wonderful article about Maranda.

<https://engineering.queensu.ca/news/2021/01/queens-rocket-engineering-and-first-nations-launch-teams-aim-for-greater-heights-in-2021.html>

## **NUMERACY AND LITERACY 10 ASSESSMENTS**

Grade 10 students currently taking English 10 or are in a Math 10 class will be writing the Numeracy and Literacy 10 Assessments Wednesday Jan 27<sup>th</sup>. They will be notified by their teacher of time and location. We will try and have students write in their regular class time. There will be space for a small number of students who missed the assessment last year but will be notified by Mr. Jones to write. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Jones.

## **POETRY IN VOICE**

It's not too late to compete in PIV! Select 2 poems from the Senior PIV anthology to memorize, interpret, and perform. Check out the details on [the PIV website](#). Email Ms. Silzer for more information @ [dsilzer@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:dsilzer@sd43.bc.ca) All performances must be submitted to Ms. Silzer by February 11, 2021.

## **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

The counselors will start programming our current Grade 9 -11s for the 2021-2022 school year in February. Here are some important upcoming dates:

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| February 10 <sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm          | - Current Grade 11 Student Programming Presentation online via Teams. Course selection sheets will be distributed in class, and will be available in the Counselling Centre. |
| February 11/12 <sup>th</sup>                 | - Current Grade 9 Programming Presentation (in class).   |
| February 15 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> | - Current Grade 11 students need to meet with their counsellor to discuss their course   |

- February 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm - selection and how it relates to graduation and future plans.  
 - Current Grade 10 Student Programming Presentations online via Teams. Course selection sheets will be distributed in class, and will be available in the Counselling Centre.
- February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** - **Current Grade 9 – 11 Parent Programming Presentation via Zoom ( the invite will be posted on our web site)**
- February 24/25<sup>th</sup> - On line Programming with current Grade 9 students (in class)  
 - **Please ensure that your Grade 9 son/daughter has access to a computer at school this day and knows how to sign into their MyEd Portal.**
- March 1<sup>st</sup> - Final Deadline for current Grade 11 and 12 course selection sheets. These are due in the Counselling Center.

Parents, please review the course selection sheet with your child and remember to sign the bottom of the form. All Grade 11's need to meet with their counselor February 15<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Please have your child sign up for an appointment in the counselling office. Post-secondary requirements are very specific so please do your research ahead of time.

The course calendar will be available online at our Charles Best website. Please feel free to contact any of the counselors if you have questions.

Ms. John	(A-G)	<a href="mailto:rjohn@sd43.bc.ca">rjohn@sd43.bc.ca</a>
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Mr. Papillo	(P-Z)	<a href="mailto:tpapillo@sd43.bc.ca">tpapillo@sd43.bc.ca</a>

#### **ATTENTION GRADS OF 2021!**

We need your gown size! Please have your parents go to school website, Quick links, Student Fees, Graduation – Commencement. Here you can pay the fee and enter your height in feet and inches. **Please order by January 31, 2021!**

#### **FLY FISHING CLASS AND ARCHERY CLUB**

The fly-fishing class took advantage of the nice weather to explore new fishing spots while hiking at Buntzen lake. This week's archers shot "zombie" fish, with Elizabeth, Luka, and Duncan all scoring perfect hits. This week's prizes were Starbucks gift cards.



## **STUDENT SCHOOL ACCOUNTS**

Now that Report Cards are posted online in the MYED Parent Portal, we have not been printing off the "Student Fee Statements" and attaching them to the report cards. Please log into your school cash online account (Student's legal first and last name must be used) on the School Website, Quick Links, Student Fees to see what item(s) are attached to your student. You may find the following: School Policy Forms, outstanding textbooks, library books, student fees, etc. Please clear up any outstanding items asap or at the latest by January 31/2021. Grade 12 Parent/students make sure your account is all clear so you will be ready to purchase grad related items when they become available. If you are having problems logging into your account, please call 1-866-961-1803 for assistance.

## **YEARBOOKS**

Yearbooks are selling fast! Only 230 remaining for the whole school...don't miss out! These can be purchased online only on the school website, Quick Links, Student Fees.

## **DONATIONS OF RED DRESSES NEEDED**

We are looking to collect red dresses of all sizes for upcoming REDress Day (Feb 5<sup>th</sup>)

They will be used in an art installation to bring awareness to the problem of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada. For more information, please follow this link:

[Red dresses create powerful symbol at Douglas College - Tri-City News](#)

Please send your donations care of Ms. Leslie to the office.

## **JANUARY 2021 POST SECONDARY SCHOOL VIRTUAL EVENTS**

Due to COVID-19, post-secondary events have been moved online. In the events below you can find out more about the institutions' programs, their admission requirements, and how to apply. Post-Secondary school applications have opened on October 1, 2020. If you have any questions regarding Post-Secondary and/or scholarships, please email Karen Tsang: [ktsang@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:ktsang@sd43.bc.ca)

### **Douglas College:**

**Info sessions: Jan 26, 28**

<https://www.douglascollege.ca/future-students/explore-douglas/information-sessions>

### **University of British Columbia:**

Various dates in January

**Campus tours:** <https://account.you.ubc.ca/s/events>

### **Simon Fraser University:**

[Beedie School of Business Webinars](#)

[On Wednesdays at 4:00pm](#)

<https://beedie.sfu.ca/bachelor-of-business-administration-webinars>

### **University of Victoria:**

Gustavson School of Business weekly info sessions

Wednesdays, January 13 to 27, 2021 at 5pm

Register for info session by emailing: [bssclerk@uvic.ca](mailto:bssclerk@uvic.ca)

Info sessions

<https://www.uvic.ca/undergraduate/tours-events/events/index.php>

### **BCIT:**

Information Sessions

<https://www.bcit.ca/infosessions/>

### **University of Waterloo:**

Waterloo Wednesday Webinars

<https://uwaterloo.ca/future-students/tours-events/waterloo-wednesdays>

### **University of Alberta:**

Events & tours – various dates

[uab.ca/recruitmentevents](http://uab.ca/recruitmentevents)

[uab.ca/tours](http://uab.ca/tours)

### **University of Toronto:**

[Get to know U of Toronto, Live info sessions & webcasts:](#)

<https://discover.utoronto.ca/live>

**McGill University:**

Live with a Tour Guide

[https://future.mcgill.ca/portal/live\\_with\\_a\\_tour\\_guide](https://future.mcgill.ca/portal/live_with_a_tour_guide)

**Queen's University:**

Undergraduate Admission and Recruitment FAQs page

<https://www.queensu.ca/admission/admission-faqs>

**GRADE 12'S: STUDENT TRANSCRIPT SERVICES**

If you are applying to a Post-Secondary Institution, please remember to fill out the Student Transcript Services form. This will either automatically send your transcript to the institution or allow the institution to access your transcript from the Ministry of Education. This is a required step for admissions to most post-secondary institutions. Instructions on how to fill out the form are located on our website or you can view a recording of our presentation in Teams under Grade 12 Survival Guide. Please see your counsellor if you have any additional questions.

[NEW 2020-2021-Sending transcripts to post-secondary schools 2020-2021.pdf](#)

**LOST AND FOUND**

Do you recognize any of these!!!! If so, students can come to the office to claim, they must be able to unlock device as proof of ownership.

