



THE “BEST” INFORMER



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPIRIT WEEK MARCH 9-13

Thursday: Jersey day

Friday: Tropical vacation day (Hawaiian shirts, sunglasses, lei flower necklaces)

LAST CHANCE THIS WEEK - THE 25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM SPELLING BEE

Staff and students there are only 3 shows left! Be sure to check it out **TONIGHT OR FRIDAY THE 13TH!**

Tickets are only \$12 for students and \$15 for adults.

Come laugh, cringe and maybe even learn a new word or two!

TODAY - SPRING TEAM AND CLUB PHOTOS

TODAY is photo day for Spring Teams and any clubs who missed the last photo day starting at 1:30pm in the cafeteria. Please check in with your coach and/or sponsor teacher for your time.

Groups are to arrive 10 minutes prior to scheduled time slots.

TOMORROW - ADJUSTED BELL SCHEDULE

Classes are shortened due to parent/teacher interviews **TOMORROW**.

Period 1	8:16am – 9:05am
Period 2	9:10am – 10:00am
Period 3	10:05am – 10:55am
Period 4	11:00am – 11:50pm
Period 5	11:55pm – 12:45pm

TOMORROW - MEMBERS OF THE FASHION, SEWING, AND CROCHET CLUBS,

Please meet in the Textiles Room on **Thursday at 1:00 PM** for a 30-minute meeting regarding a new after-school schedule. This is an early dismissal day for Parent Meetings, so the meeting will end promptly at 1:30.

LAST CHANCE - PET FOOD COLLECTION

The homeless community our school is supporting is in dire need of food for animals.

Our Youth Worker Heather B will be collecting dog and cat, wet, dry and treats until **TOMORROW**.

Please drop off in Heather’s Youth Worker room on the lower floor across from foods and get a prize.

UPCOMING EVENTS & DEADLINES FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

BCIT Indigenous Student Day – Deadline is **TOMORROW** to register online for the April 9 field trip.

Indigenous Trades Sampler – **April 29–May 1** (Applications due April 15).

Indigenous students - KPU Open Doors, Open Minds – **April 30** (Register to attend).

Indigenous Grade 12 Honouring Ceremony – **June 2**

Register now for the Indigenous Grad Honouring Ceremony at The Casino Show Theatre.

Grad Fees Support for Indigenous students: ACCESS can cover grad fees. Call 604-251-7955.

Students can come to Nicole Bosshart’s office (within the Counselors’ Office MON, TUES, FRI)

or see Mr. Papillo for support. Check TEAMS for details, or email Nicole at nbosshart@sd43.bc.ca

LOCKER CLEANOUT BEFORE SPRING BREAK

Students, before you leave for Spring Break on Friday, please dispose any food and drink from your lockers and take home any belongings that may need laundering.

SEEKING GENTLY USED BACKPACKS

Ms. Leslie’s Social Justice 12 class is doing a backpack drive for unhoused people.

If you have any no longer used backpacks taking up space in your closets, please consider donating them.

They can be dropped off in Room 305.

YOUTH DRAGON BOAT PROGRAM

Nothing Dragon is looking for all interested teens aged 13-18 to come out and participate in a **FREE** dragon boating experience. No experience required!

Learn how to paddle, drum and race in a dragon boat on **Monday, March 30th** @ 3:30pm at Rocky Point Park.

All equipment will be supplied.

<https://nothingdragon.org/>

Register with QR code:



DEVILS DEN RAFFLE TICKET SALES

During Period 2 at the Devil's Den, you can purchase raffle tickets for a basket of goodies!

Come and check it out!

TUTORING SUPPORT FOR MATH AND SCIENCE

Charles Best Tutoring Services now has a website where students can sign up for tutoring, and parents can register their children. Tutoring is available for Math and Science courses from Grade 9 to 12. Programs provide additional support, practice, and guidance to help students strengthen their understanding and succeed in their courses. Students or parents interested in extra academic support can easily access these services

through the website:

[LAUNCHPAD Application](#)

CLUB EVENTS

TODAY - IRISH THEMED BAKE SALE

Students 4 Students Club is hosting an Irish-themed baked goods sale **TOMORROW** in the lobby.

MUNCHIES FOR MIRACLES BAKE SALE

On **Friday, March 13th**, Munchies for Miracles Club will be hosting a bake sale in the lobby.

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

SFU SUMMER CAMP POSITIONS

If you enjoy working with children, are 16+, and are a looking for a summer job, check out SFU Camp's instructor postings! Must have had your first paid position with a kids' camp or similar to be a competitive applicant. **Deadline is April 10.** [More info.](#) If you are hoping to gain some first experience this summer and are looking for volunteer opportunities, applications for SFU Camp volunteer positions will be accepted **starting March 25, 2026**, mark your calendar. [Details.](#)

MORESPO RTS IS HIRING AFTER-SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS

MoreSports is looking for students who would make great role models for children. They are hiring after school coaches for various elementary and middle schools this Spring. **Must be in grade 11 or up.** [More info.](#)

BC YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Miniature youth parliaments run across the province of BC and are a beginner-friendly opportunity to develop public speaking skills and gain knowledge about parliamentary procedure! Gain insight into the political process, even if your civic engagement so far has been limited. **March 27-29**, Coquitlam City Hall.

Application deadline is March 21. [More here.](#)

CAMP IGNITE

Female students, currently in grades 11-12, will have the chance to explore the many aspects and specialties associated with firefighting. Camp Ignite is a three-night, three-day camp (August 7-9, Lower Mainland location TBA) that educates and inspires young women to follow their dreams. [Apply here](#) by **May 1.**

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TODAY - STUDY IN THE UK FAIR

Connect with some of the UK's top institutions on **Wed, March 11**, 3-7 pm (Vancouver Convention Centre). Join seminars hosted by leading universities and take advantage of the opportunity to receive on-the-spot offers. You'll also have the chance to speak with UK university specialists and get personalized guidance on your study plans. [Register.](#)

TODAY AND TOMORROW - DOUGLAS COLLEGE INFO NIGHTS

Students are invited to learn more about the program options available at Douglas College. In-person, **Wed, March 11**, 5 pm, Coquitlam campus | **Thu, March 12**, 5 pm, New Westminster campus. [Register.](#)

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

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CHARLES BEST INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE

Grade 12s, applications are now accepted for our school-administered scholarships. 61 awards ranging from \$250 to \$2,500 are waiting for you. Criteria vary: Leadership, citizenship, school or community involvement, financial need, pursuing specific programs in post-secondary, achievement in a variety of areas, incl. athletics, applied skills, trades, languages, etc. You can find everything you need to know [here](#).

Deadline is Sun, March 29. Questions? See Ms. Kaufmann before Spring Break.

COQUITLAM FOUNDATION BURSARIES

Around 100 scholarships and bursaries starting at \$1,000. Submit one application to be considered for any award you are eligible for. Financial need will be considered, but various awards are merit-based.

[Apply](#) by March 31, 2026.

BCIT PATHWAY TO SUCCESS SCHOLARSHIPS

3 x \$3,000 are available for SD43 students entering a full-time first year technology, technical studies or trade program (excluding apprenticeship) directly from high school. These awards are recognizing well-rounded citizens, who have displayed leadership qualities, and have demonstrated that they are willing to work hard to achieve their goals. Commitment and drive are as important as formal academic standing.

Apply by Thu, April 2, 3 pm. [More info](#).

SD43 SCHOLARSHIPS – NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Various financial awards are available for SD43 graduates, incl. the **Roughead Student Athlete Scholarship** which is only open to CBSS graduates who will be playing a varsity sport at a Canadian post-secondary institution. You'll need a personal letter, a resume, and must complete an online application to be considered for as many awards as you are eligible for. [More info](#). **Deadline is April 15.**

ATHLETICS



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UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION/DETAILS
Wed. Mar. 11 @ 9:15am	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Riverside kick off tourney vs. Van. Tech @ Town Centre-Mobilio Field
Wed. Mar. 11 @ 11:30am	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Riverside kick off tourney vs. Princess Margaret @ Town Centre-Mobilio Field
Wed. Mar. 11 @ 2:15pm	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	Riverside kick off tourney vs. Crofton @ Town Centre-Mobilio Field
Wed. Mar. 11 @ 4:00pm	GIRLS RUGBY	HOME game vs. Riverside Sec.
Thurs. Mar. 12 (2 times TBD)	SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER	2 games for Riverside kick off tourney. Town Centre Field TBD
Thurs. Mar. 12 @ 3:45pm	JUNIOR BADMINTON	AWAY matches vs. Cent/Pinetree @ Pinetree Sec.
Thurs. Mar. 12 @ 4:00pm	SENIOR BOYS RUGBY	HOME game vs. Centennial Sec.
Fri. Mar. 13 @ 4:00pm	JUNIOR BOYS RUGBY	HOME game vs. Heritage Woods Sec.