



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, January 12, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

****Please note: All new items or any item with changes will be in **Red******

GENERAL

SEMESTER BREAK SCHEDULE

Monday, January 23 <i>Regular Day</i> <i>(Periods 1 to 5)</i>	Tuesday, January 24 ENG 12 (9am) <i>GT – Exit interviews</i> <i>(10-11's NOT in building am)</i> 9's CE Presentation 10:45-12:00 <i>Period 1 (double block 12:30-3:00)</i>	Wednesday, January 25 <i>Period 2 (double block 9:00 -11:30)</i> <i>Lunch (11:30 – 12:30)</i> FRAL 12 (1pm) <i>Period 3 (double block 12:30-3:00)</i>	Thursday, January 26 <i>Period 4 (double block 9:00 -11:30)</i> <i>Lunch (11:30 – 12:30)</i> <i>Period 5 (double block 12:30-3:00)</i>	Friday, January 27 <i>(Best students not in attendance all day - Tutorials available)</i> Grade 8 Walkabout pm
Monday, January 30 <i>School Pro-D Day</i>	Tuesday, January 31 Semester 2 begins <i>Regular Day</i>	Wednesday, February 1 <i>Regular Day</i>	Thursday, February 2 Report Cards <i>Regular Day</i>	Friday, February 3 <i>Regular Day</i>

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

The following students need to come to the office and see Mrs. Zanatta
Suhail Ataullah Baresh, Elle Cunnings, Mark Dongalen, Olivia Evans, Noelle Everett, Mia Ferrato, Ben Geissinger, Zane Gray, Kenia Gutierrez Portillo, Jocelyn Herrera Morfin and Faith Holt.

******DON'T MISS OUT!!******

YEARBOOK DEADLINE TOMORROW

Last chance to order!! If you want a yearbook you need to order it by tomorrow, **January 13th!**
Final Sale!!

DID YOU SIGN OUT A LIBRARY BOOK THIS SEMESTER?

Make sure it's not overdue or you will get an assessment for it. So **Return or Renew** your library books before the end of this semester.

PROJECT HELLO CLOTHING DRIVE

Project Hello will be collecting any gently used winter clothing in Room 213 for the local homeless population.
Please bring what you can!

SPREAD GOOD VIBES

Family Studies 11/12 challenges you to "Spread Good Vibes" for a week, starting Monday January 16.

- Monday, Day 1 -- Say hi to 5 new people,
- Tuesday, Day 2 -- give a compliment,
- Wednesday, Day 3 -- to apologize to someone,
- Thursday, Day 4 -- do a Random Act of Kindness
- Friday, Day 5 -- wear red!

We also are going to have a bake sale on **Thursday, January 19th** during blocks 2 to 4. All proceeds will go to a Canadian Anti-Bullying Foundation, like Pink Shirt day. We are going to be selling bracelets along with the bake sale. Our mission is to promote a closer bond within our school, spreading good vibes and kindness. So what are you waiting for? Let's do this together!

OUTSTANDING TEXTBOOK AND LIBRARY BOOKS

If you have any outstanding Textbooks or Library books please return them ASAP. If you can't find them, come to the office and pay the outstanding fee to clear your account.

If you are in Grade 12 you need to have a clear account to get your Grad tickets, don't leave it to the last minute.

GRADE 12'S

ORDERING TRANSCRIPTS

If you require a transcript, please allow 2-3 days for processing. Fill out a pink transcript request form in the office at Ms. Meston's desk.

GRAD WRITE-UPS

Please go to <http://www.bigsasquatch.com> to complete your grad write ups.

CHARLENE REAVELEY CHILDREN'S CHARITY

(CRCCS) is a local, nonprofit organization offering support and assistance to families with children experiencing the loss of a loved one is offering a **\$500 bursary** for the 2017 graduating year.

To qualify for the bursary, students would be required to meet the criteria. The criteria includes:

- Grade 12 student
- Lost a parent and/or sibling
- Seeking post-secondary education
- Involved in the community/volunteer work
- Write a 1 page (300-400 word) essay on how they fit the criteria

This essay is to be submitted to the charity office by April 15th via email or mail. Visit www.crccs.ca for more information.

TWEET TO WIN A \$2,000 SCHOLARSHIP –

Tell us who your favorite female hero is by January 30th, 2017.

TWEET who she is and why to #HiddenFiguresHeroesc <http://www.togetherfamilies.com/>

DAVID C. LAM SCHOLARSHIP –

Applicant must be documented permanent residents of Canada. Int'l students on student visas are not eligible for this award. (\$2,500)

1. Must be a BC Grade 12 student who wishes to attend a BC post-secondary institution.
2. English language coursework at the secondary level (Grades 9 to 12)
3. Consistent improvement in academic courses at the secondary level
4. School or community service

<http://www.bctéal.org/tcf/awards-scholarships/david-c-lambc-teal-esl-scholarships/> for additional application requirements. **Deadline January 31st, 2017**

THE TCF REFUGEE AWARD

This award is for a refugee who has shown courage and determination while adapting to a new language and culture in Canada. Value \$2,500.

1. Is graduating from a BC Secondary School
2. Has acquired English as an additional language
3. **Entered Canada as a refugee**
4. Wishes to study in a vocational or academic program at a post-secondary institution in British Columbia

<http://www.bctéal.org/tcf/awards-scholarships/teal-charitable-foundation-refugee-award/> for additional application requirements. **Deadline January 31st, 2017**

SOROPTIMIST TRI CITIES DREAM SINGER SCHOLARSHIP

Are you a young woman (17-25) in the Tri Cities? Do you have a great singing voice and a passion for performance? Are you enrolling in Post-Secondary Studies? Apply by January 18th to the Soroptimist Tri Cities Dream Singer. 1st prize is a \$500 scholarship. Email Sl.DreamSinger@gmail.com www.soroptimisttricitie.org

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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.

STUDENTS THAT ARE LATE OR LEAVING EARLY

Please remember that when you are late (even for a minute) you MUST sign in at the office. This also applies to those students whose parents have phoned them in late. Also if you need to leave the school early for any reason, YOU MUST sign out at the office with parents' permission – a note, phone call or email.

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.