



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Friday, September 8, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

Block 1	8:20-9:40
Block 2	9:44-11:03
Block 3	11:07-12:26
Block 4	12:30-1:49
Block 5	1:53-3:12

PHOTO DAY RESCHEDULED

As there was a problem with the photography equipment, the photo day has been rescheduled to Thurs Sept 21st.

STUDENT PASSWORDS

Any new students to the school, who have not received their passwords please see Ms. Silzer in the Library.

GRADE 9 LUNCH

Just a reminder that all Grade 9's have lunch during block 3 which is 11:07 – 12:26, you must remain on campus during this time.

CHOIR AND VOCAL JAZZ

There will be a quick information meeting today, **Friday** after school for anyone who is interested in singing in the concert choir or vocal jazz ensemble this year. The meeting will be in the music room and will only last 10 minutes. No singing experience is necessary for joining the choir.

FRIGHT NIGHT ACTORS @PNE

Application deadline for positions has been extended to **Sept. 10th, 2017**. Visit <http://www.pne.com> to apply.

TACO DEL MAR IS HIRING

Part-time positions available at the POCO location. Apply with resume to Ayrien at pocotdm@gmail.com

SPORTS

JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLERYBALL

All grade 10 girls interested in playing volleyball our first tryout is Tues Sept 12th at 3:15 in the large gym. If you can't attend please talk to Mr. Chang.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Best's cross country team's first practice will be on Monday at 3:30. All students are welcome! Please dress appropriately for the weather.

If you missed the information meeting on Wednesday, email Mrs. Joba at sjoba@sd43.bc.ca to get the season's schedule.

GRADE 12'S

DOUGLAS COLLEGE- PLEASE NOTE- EARLY DEADLINE (NURSING)

Foundations of Nursing program applicants must apply before October 2nd, 2017!!

UBC FALL INFO SESSION

Mark your calendars now for the November 8th **information session** in the Library after school.

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. Gibson's desk.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*****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.

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.

*****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 a social gathering place.

LITTER IN THE HALLWAYS

Students are reminded to clean up after themselves. It is a continual challenge to keep our school clean for all of us given that lunch hours take place all day long. Please pick up after yourself and your friends. Remember, we have garbage, bottle recycle, paper recycle and organics bins in regular locations throughout the building. Let's all PITCH IN together!

*****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.