



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday, October 03, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

MATH CONTESTS

Any students interested in writing the Math Contests this year need to see Mr. Dy rm 116 at 8am any day this week to register.

WORLD WILDLIFE FUND

Are you passionate about saving endangered species and helping the environment? Come to World Wildlife Fund's meeting on Tuesdays at 7:45 am in Room 108. Hope to see you there!

WORLD CLUB

World Club's first meeting will be on **Wed Oct 4th**, at 3:20 in the International classroom. Come meet new people and enjoy circle time. Gifts will be sent out.

MIRACLE MOVEMENT FIRST MEETING

Do you want to help support the BC Children's Hospital? Come check out Miracle Movement's first meeting of the year this **Thursday Oct 5th** after school in the library. Everyone is welcome to help us make a difference!

FORCE OF NATURE HELPS ELECT ENVIRONMENTAL CITY COUNSELLOR

On **Sept 30th**, Hunter Madsen who has a PHD from Harvard and an advocate for environmental issues was elected to the Port Moody City Council by Force of Nature volunteers. If you're interested in joining the Force of Nature Club to address climate change the RIGHT way, come to Mr. MacKay's room 307 every Thursday morning.

TRIP TO THE PUMPKIN PATCH!-Oct 20th

On **Oct 20th** the Pro D day French Leadership Council will be hosting a field trip to the pumpkin patch. If you're interested please come to a meeting on Oct 6th after school in Room 108.

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAM

Students who interested in writing a Language Challenge Exam there will be a very important meeting with Mr. Areshenko today, **Tuesday, October 3rd** at 3:25 in room 309. Please see Mr. Areshenko in the counselling office if you have any questions.

SPIRITWEAR SALE

Order on-line on our website until **Nov 2nd**! Do not miss out! Sample sizes available to try on in the office. There are no refunds for wrong sizes.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Coquitlam Special Olympics basketball program needs volunteers!

One need not know how to play basketball, but should be empathetic, caring and respectful.

Location: Fridays 6:30 at Charles Best starting **Oct 6th**.

Volunteers have earned needed hours, great letters of recommendation and the immediate love of many athletes. Phone Greg Bodin at 604- 323-7748

PHOTO RETAKES

Retakes will take place on **Thursday October 5th**.

All students wanting to retake their photo must bring their ID card to the camera.

If you are returning your photo package, please give to photographer.

THE 2018 SHAD PROGRAM WILL RUN FROM JULY 1 - 27, 2018

Meeting Thurs Oct 5th at 3:15 in the Library.

SHAD is a lifelong experience and begins with our month-long summer program, which will show you what you can achieve if you think big and pursue your extraordinary potential.

HIGH SCHOOL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM FOR GIRLS IN GRADES 11 & 12

This is a friendly reminder that the YWCA High School Mentorship Information Session is this **Thursday (Oct 5)** at 5pm - 535 Hornby St. Vancouver.

Visit: <https://ywcavan.org/programs/mentorship/high-school-mentorship>

KENYA TRIP SUMMER 2018

There will be a Kenya Trip parent information meeting on **Thursday Oct 12** at 6:30pm in the library. If your son/daughter is interested in attending, please make sure to attend this important meeting. Finances and upcoming dates will be discussed. If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please contact Lindsay Martin (lmartin@sd43.bc.ca), Vivienne Royle (Vroyle@sd43.bc.ca) or Alison Stuart (ASTuart@sd43.bc.ca).

PRACTICE SAT-ONLY 6 SPOTS LEFT

Students who want to attend an American University must write the SAT Exam. We are holding a sitting of the Practice SAT (PSAT) **on Wed, Oct.11** from 12:30 -3:30. This is designed for grade 10 and grade 11's but grade 12's are welcome, as well. There is a \$25.00 fee. Please see Mrs. John in the counselling office for more information and sign up. There is a limited amount of spaces so it will be first come, first serve. Once you have seen Mrs. John please go to the office and see Ms. Lynn to pay for it and receive your booklet.

SPORTS

FIELD HOCKEY

Next game at home against MRSS is today, **Tuesday Oct 3rd**.
The team would love some fans to come out and cheer them on!

JUNIOR SOCCER

Congratulations to the Junior Boys Soccer team for their victory last night vs Terry Fox. Goal scorers were Josh Greenwood and Elijah Dos Santos. Assisting on both goals was Dominic Tomassetti.

CROSS COUNTRY

The next meet in Mundy Park is **Wed Oct 4th** after school. Please come out and help cheer on our 25 runners

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB

Registration is happening now until **October 31**. There are only 50 places/seats available per trip. First come, first served. Fees are payable online only on our school website under student fees.

GRADE 12'S

GRAD COUNCIL ** DATE CHANGED

There will be a grad council meeting after school on **Thurs Oct 5th** in room 101. We will be looking at the logos and making a decision for grad clothing. Please see Mr. House or Ms.Thomas if you cannot make it or need more info

GRAD LOGO 2018

Any gr.12 students interested in creating a logo for grad wear please submit it to DThomas@sd43.bc.ca by noon on **Wed Oct 4th**.

SCHOLARSHIP MEETING

Please plan to attend the first Scholarship Meeting this **Wednesday Oct 4th at 3:20 pm** in the library.

APPLICATIONS OPEN

Douglas College and SFU are now open for fall 2018 applicants.

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 STUDENTSNO 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.