



THE "BEST" INFORMER

Monday, February 26, 2018

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

LADIES RING FOUND

If you have recently lost a ladies gold ring, please come to the office to identify it.

CLUB LISTS

Club lists are hanging up in the front foyer and around the school for anybody who did not have a chance first semester to join one. Meeting times are there so feel free to come and join in - the clubs are always happy to have new members!

AP EXAMS AT BEST

Grade 11 and 12 Students can register to write the AP Exams at Best. Please register by paying \$160/exam in the office by **Feb. 28th**. For further information, please contact Mrs. John in the counselling office.

SAFETY CONCERNS

During snow days, even if the sidewalks have not been cleared, please remember to stay on the sidewalks. By walking on the road you are jeopardizing your safety.

Remember:

Don't walk on the road or ice patches, face traffic, unplug, be aware, be safe and wear appropriate clothing for the weather with reflectors if possible.

SPORTS

JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER

Tomorrow's try outs are **CANCELLED** due to the field conditions. Try outs March 9th at Hillcrest are still on. Listen to the announcements for any changes.

TRACK & FIELD

Anyone interested in joining track & field, please see Mr. Gant or Mdm. Harding ASAP. Practices start tomorrow, Tuesday!

JR BOYS BASKETBALL

Please come to the office to pick up your uniform deposits after school at 3:12.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB

3 spots are still available for March 11th

GRADE 12

CAPILANO UNIVERSITY

A recruiter from Cap U will be here in the foyer today, February 26th 11am – 12:30 pm to answer your questions.

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.

****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.

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.

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.