



# THE "BEST" INFORMER

**Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

**TODAY IS DAY 1**

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

## GENERAL

### FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21

#### PRO D DAY

No school on Friday

### PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would Jack Seward, Christopher Chen, Jacqueline Ding, Angie Fayed, Ayah Fayed Victoria Hong, Emma Chong and Nocole Bergevin please come to the office.

Rui Yi Jia please come to the office regarding the PSAT exam info.

### CONTEST – CATCHY - CREATIVE

#### RE-NAME THE CAREER RESOURCE ROOM

Our Career Counsellor, Ms. Tsang, has been joined in the Career Resource Room by our Digital Literacy Teachers and Tech Buddies. Students will find support for both Career counselling and technology in this new space. We are looking to re-name this space, that is catchy and students will relate to the function of the room. Contest ballots can be picked up in the office starting today (Sept 18). All submissions are due **Thursday, September 20 at 1 pm**. The winning name will be announced during the reading of Tuesday, September 25 announcements.

### MONIES RAISED FOR TERRY FOX RUN

Terry Fox run raised \$1921.71 not quite the \$2.00/person that we were hoping for but a good start.

### CHARLES BEST SPIRITWEAR

Charles Best Spiritwear Clothing is available on-line on our website **until October 31!** Don't miss out, order your hoodie **and or sweatpants now for delivery in early December! This is the only sale for this school year for grades 9-12.**

**\*\*\*The office has sample sizes to try on, there are no returns for wrong sizes.\*\*\***

### PRACTICE SAT

Any students wanting to attend US colleges can prepare for the SAT by taking part in the Practice SAT here at Best on **Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>** in blocks 4 and 5. You can register in the office by paying \$25 cash (exact change) or cheque. For further information, please see Mrs. John in the counselling office.

### ORANGE SHIRT DAY

In support of those who attended residential schools, please wear your orange shirts on **Friday Sept 28<sup>th</sup>**.

### CHARLES BEST MOBILE APP-CAREER CENTRE

Please subscribe to the career resource centre channel on the app for updates on scholarship information, post secondary school visits and other opportunities.

### ALL STUDENTS REGARDING PHOTODAY

If you lost the form you received on photo day please call GradsBC Photography at **604-461-3722** or email at [orders@gradsbc.com](mailto:orders@gradsbc.com) or [www.gradsbc.com](http://www.gradsbc.com)

### PROVINCIAL EXAM RESULTS

The June 2018 Graduation Numeracy Assessment (GNA) results are now available.

Students can access their results and GNA student report at [www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca](http://www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca).

### BEST BUDDIES

Do you need or want volunteer hours? Do you like to help others? Do you want to give back to our school? Then Best Buddies is the club for you! We organize spirit weeks, host grade 8 & 9 tours, volunteer @ parent teacher interviews and so much more! Any students wishing to join Best buddies, come join us at our first meeting in Room 104, the foods room, on **THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 20th @ 8:00am!**

## SPORTS

### JR. BOYS SOCCER

Thanks to everyone who tried out for the team this year. Skill levels and work ethics were very high. The list of boys who will be playing on the team this season is now posted outside the PE office. Our first training session will be Monday at 3:30. See you then.

## GRADE 12

### SCHOLARSHIP MEETING

Mark your calendars for the first scholarship meeting today, Wednesday, September 26 at 3:30pm in the library.

### GRAD TRANSITIONS

Attention all Grade 12s! You can now access the materials needed to complete your Grad Transitions. They are available on the school website under "Programs & Services" then "Grad Transitions". Please subscribe to the Grad Transitions channel on our school app to receive notifications about Grad Transitions!

### GRAD COUNCIL

Attention all Grad Council members: there is a meeting today, **Wednesday September 19<sup>th</sup>** after school in room 101. Please remember to email your grad clothing ideas to Ms.Thomas or Mr.House before the meeting. If you were unable to attend the last meeting but would like to be part of Grad council, please attend this meeting.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### WHEN CROSSING COMO LAKE

To all students:

Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake.

### \*\*\*\*\*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.