



# THE "BEST" INFORMER

**Tuesday, October 09, 2018**

**TODAY IS DAY 1**

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

## GENERAL

### STUDENTS WRITING PSAT

On Wednesday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, please meet in Room 207 at 12:30. The exam will take up period 4 and 5 so please inform your teachers. The exam will finish around 4:00.

### PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would Isabel McRae and Sabrina Bailey please come to the office.

### GO CARD PICK UP

If you haven't received your go card, please come to the office to pick it up. Photos taken on Retake day and any other students with issues, those go cards will arrive **Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**.

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

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR KENYAN STUDENTS

Please bring any spare clothes you have, to Room 218. This will really help our Kenyan visitors feel warm and welcome.

### VOLUNTEER HOURS

Here is a great way to get your volunteer hours and have fun too: Do you like working with children? If so you can be part of the Big Brother's Afterschool Program at a local elementary school. Please see Mrs. John in the counselling office for more information.

## SPORTS

### SWIM CLUB MEETING

There is a quick meeting about Districts in Mr. Baker's room, 301 on **Wed Oct 10<sup>th</sup>** after school. A reminder to let your teachers know about the meet on Friday too!

### JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER

The Junior Boys Soccer team will play their first home game of the season **tomorrow (Wednesday)** at 3:30. Please come out and support the team. We are playing Terry Fox, who is undefeated so far this season. Good luck, boys!

### SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB TICKETS GOING FAST!!

**Both Jan 27<sup>th</sup> and Feb 10<sup>th</sup> dates are SOLD OUT, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> has only 7 spots left!** All remaining dates are going fast, don't miss out! Once you have paid for a trip make sure to complete the registration form available at the PE office and return to Mr. Major asap!

## GRADE 11 & 12'S

### POST SECONDARY DAY

On **Wednesday, October 10**, there will be a BC Post Secondary Day for grade 11 & 12 students at 9:15 to 11:45am. Please check the career center website calendar for details and listen to announcements on the day.

## GRADE 12

### GRAD COUNCIL 2019

There will be a Grad Council meeting **Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup>** after school in room 101. Please bring your ideas for an after-grad theme

### 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!

# 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.