

THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday, October 30, 2018

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

GENERAL



PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE TO PICK UP YOUR PHOTOS AND/OR GO CARDS

Any student that still has not picked up their go card or photo package please come to the office and do so.

BEST BUDDIES HALLOWEEN CANDY HANDOUT

Attention all candy lovers! Best Buddies will be handing out free Halloween candy in the front foyer from 8 to 8:15 AM **tomorrow, Wednesday, October 31st**. Feel free to drop by to grab a tasty treat and show off your spooky Halloween spirit!

HALLOWEEN ASSEMBLY

Get your costumes ready for the Spirit Assembly tomorrow, **Wednesday October 31st**. Prizes will be given out for the most original, creative and scariest; plus there will be a prize for the best group costume too.

SPIRIT/HALLOWEEN ASSEMBLY

Tomorrow, we will have our Spirit Assembly! We're looking for some brave souls to compete in some silly "Minute to Win It" competitions. If you think you've got what it takes to beat the clock, submit your name into the draw in the counselling office! Winners will be chosen at the assembly, with prizes up for grabs!!

ALSO:

Are you a creative carver? We're looking for teams of 2 to compete in our pumpkin carving contest during the Assembly. Please submit your names into our draw in the counselling office.

SPRING MUSICAL AUDITIONS

If you are interested in auditioning for the spring musical there will be an information meeting today, **Tues Oct 30** at 3:15 in the music room.

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

A list of students registered to complete the Numeracy Assessment in January 2019 has been posted outside the office. Students currently in a Math 10 course (FOMPCal or WP10) should be on the list. Students in grade 11 and 12 who have not written the assessment are listed along with students that completed Math 10 in Summer school. If your name is not on the list and you believe it should be please see your counsellor or Ms. McKay in the Office.

The Numeracy Assessment is a graduation requirement for all students. If you do not register for the January sitting, you will have to write the assessment in June.

CHARLES BEST SPIRITWEAR

LAST DAY TO ORDER IS TOMORROW OCT 31ST

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.*****

INTERESTED IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS, AND MATH?

Grade 10, 11, 12 students interested in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math? You may be interested in SHAD (a STEAM and entrepreneurship based enrichment program). The 2019 SHAD program will run from June 30 to July 26. See website for application. Applications are due: **November 19, 2018.** shad.ca/apply

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the Poppy Campaign at Coquitlam Legion 263. Duties include assisting with set up of the hall the day before Remembrance Day. Please let Ms. Tsang know if you are interested in volunteering.

SPORTS

SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB TICKETS GOING FAST!! **DEADLINE TO REGISTER AND PAY IS TOMORROW OCT 31ST**

Apr 7th is the only date that still has availability, only **17** spots left and times are going fast, don't miss out! **Deadline to register and pay is Wed Oct 31st**. Once you have paid for a trip make sure to complete the registration form available at the PE office and hand in to the office asap!

Participants please hand in your completed ski and snowboard registration forms to the office asap!

GRADE 12

GRADWEAR 2019-LAST DAY TO ORDER IS TODAY!!!!

Attention all grade 12 students: Charles Best Gradwear is now available online to order until **Tuesday Oct 30th**. Sizes are available in the Main office to try- no refunds will be given for wrong sizing. This is the only order we will be filling this year. Get your order in ASAP.

INFORMATION SESSIONS

1. **University of Toronto** is hosting an information session at 3:30pm on **Thurs, Nov 1** in the library.
2. **Sasamat Outdoor Centre** is hosting an information table about their leadership programs on **Mon, Nov 5** at 1:30 to 2:30pm in the foyer.
3. **SFU's Faculty of Applied Sciences** is presenting about opportunities in Computing Science, Engineering Science, Mechatronics Systems Engineering and Sustainable Energy Engineering, on **Tues, Nov 6** at 3:30pm in the library.
4. **McGill University** is hosting an information session on **Wed, Nov 7** at 7 to 8:30pm at Heritage Woods Secondary. Please see career centre website calendar for registration details.

QUEEN'S CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP

Grade 12 students who would like to be considered for a nomination for the Queen's Chancellor's Scholarship, please submit a brag sheet to Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by 3pm on **Friday, November 2**. Best can nominate up to 2 candidates and only one chancellor nominee may be selected as a QuARMS candidate. See Career Centre website for details.

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

*******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.