



# THE "BEST" INFORMER



**Thursday February 28, 2019**

**TODAY IS DAY 1**

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

## GENERAL

### "ROSE" UP AGAINST BULLYING DAY – THANK YOU

Thank you to all CBSS students and staff for wearing pink to show your support yesterday on "Rose" Up Against Bullying (Pink Shirt) Day, as well as to all those who "rose" up to the challenge and signed one of the 200+ anti-bullying pledges that were filled out. Bullying is still a very real problem today, but we here at Best have shown and surely will continue to show that it doesn't have to stay that way -- well done everyone!

### INTERESTED IN WRITING AP EXAMS? DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED

Students interested in writing AP exams this May can register at the office. Each exam is \$160 which can be paid by **cash or cheque** payable to Dr. Charles Best School. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. John in the counselling office. The deadline to sign up for the AP exams is, **Wed, Mar 6<sup>th</sup>**

### PLEASE DONATE WARM CLOTHING ETC

Our youth worker is collecting warm coats, blankets, socks, gloves, boots etc. for the downtown Eastside. If you are able to donate adults and children clothing, please bring to Heather's room asap.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WHO ARE UP FOR RENEWAL

The deadline to pay program fees for the 2019-2020 school year is this **Friday, March 1, 2019**. \*Students are not guaranteed their place in school after this date.

### PROJECT PULSE VANCOUVER CONFERENCE 2019

Are you interested in the health sciences? Do you want to explore the field some more? Project Pulse Vancouver's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Sciences Conferences is for you! Coming up this **Saturday, March 2** at SFU Burnaby, this unique full-day experience is open to any student who is interested in learning more about health science opportunities and networking with health professionals. Visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/project-pulse-vancouver-conference-2019-tickets-55459098657> for more info and to purchase your tickets! Group pricing discounts available. If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at [projectpulsevan@gmail.com](mailto:projectpulsevan@gmail.com)

## SPORTS

### TENNIS

Anyone interested in the Charles Best Tennis team, please come to our first meeting tomorrow Fri. Mar. 1st at 8:00 am in Room 206.

Please see Mr. Choi if you have any questions.

### SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB-SOME SPOTS AVAILABLE

The trip to Whistler this **Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>** is now **SOLD OUT!**

There are also **10 spots** available for **April 7<sup>th</sup>**.

Please bring a cheque for \$105 to the office in order to secure your spot.

First come, first served.

## GRADE 11 & 12's

### SFU CAMPS

SFU camps is here today, **Thursday, February 28** at 2:30pm in the main foyer.

Come and learn about summer volunteer opportunities!

### GRADE 12 GRADUATION TRANSITION

To all grade 12's submitting Graduation Transition packages through OneNote to Mr. MacDonald, please be sure to check your school e-mail accounts for completion confirmation and feedback.

Second semester Graduation Transitions are due **April 15<sup>th</sup>**.

### DID YOU APPLY TO POST SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Friendly reminder: grade 12 students who applied to post secondary schools, please remember to submit your transcripts using the student transcripts service website: [studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca](http://studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca)

## 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.

**\*\*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.