



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Friday May 3, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 2

****Please note: All new items and any changed items are in red.****

GENERAL

THERE ARE MANY UNCOLLECTED REPORT CARDS IN THE OFFICE

Any student who has not received a report card should come collect it asap!

**** MONDAY IS PRO-D DAY ****

No classes on Monday. It is a school-based Pro-D day.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

YOU CANNOT MISS THIS! Incredible talent, creativity, and hard work! It runs tonight and tomorrow night, then again next week May 8th to 11th. Tickets: \$12 for students/pensioners... \$15 for adults. Doors open at 7pm. Curtain goes up at 7:30.

A.P. EXAMS

Students who have registered for A.P. exams, see Mrs. John in the Counselling office for confirmation & instructions.

HAVE YOU ACTIVELY VOLUNTEERED AT THE SCHOOL?

We want to recognize you for your service at Best during the Awards Ceremony on June 18th. So please stop by the Counselling Office to pick up the nomination form, fill it out, and return it to Mrs. John by May 20th

BEST PRIDE DAY

On May 17th, Charles Best will observe the 50th anniversary of the decriminalization of Homosexuality in Canada with a Pride Day. Bring your inclusive attitude and wear the colour of the rainbow assigned to your grade.

PRIDE DAY

MAY 17th

@bestgsa

Grade 12s wear red♥ and orange♥

Grade 11s wear yellow♥ and green♥

Grade 10s wear blue♥ and purple♥

Grade 9s wear the rainbow♥♥♥♥♥

Staff wear Best gear😊

MAKER SPACE CLUB

Do you like building things? Want to learn some programming? Maker Space Club's first meeting will be held **today** after school in room 206. Come check it out! See Mr. Raabe or Ms. Oak for more details.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' FIELD TRIP TO PLAYLAND

There are three spots left for International students who wish to go to Playland next Wednesday, May 8th. See Mrs. Joba **today** to get a permission form.

PARADISE AT BEST DANCE MAY 15TH 6:30-9:00 PM

Ticket sales are open **until Monday May 13**. No refunds. Tropical casual dress theme. There will be a concession for snacks. Tickets are for Charles Best students only. No guests are permitted. Students must have picture ID.

TRAIN IN TRADES PLUMBING PROGRAM

Grade 11 or 12 students interested in the TRAIN in Trades plumbing program? There's a free program at Piping Industry College on Annacis Island. If interested, contact Mr. MacLean DMacLean@sd43.bc.ca
For more information, see <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/Plumber.aspx>

MIRACLE MOVEMENT: EVENT FEATURES!

Miracle Movement's annual celebration is coming up this month! This free, beach-themed event will feature amazing performances and awesome activities. Show up with your friends to support BC Children's Hospital. More info to come!

ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA

Would you like to spend a week next school year in Ottawa (including transportation, lodging, meals and more) for only **\$750**? If your answer is "Yes" and you have permission from your parents, please see Mr. Chang (counsellor) a.s.a.p. Spaces are limited so acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis. There are 14 different theme weeks available. More information is available at https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/theme_week

YEARBOOKS GOING FAST-GET YOURS TODAY!

There are only 58 yearbooks left! Don't miss out. Purchase yours online today!

SPORTS

ALL BOY'S BASKETBALL PLAYERS, GRADE 9-12.

The year end wrap up party is to be at Me n Ed's Pizza in Port Coquitlam on May 15th at 4 pm. It is \$15 for all you can eat pizza 'n' pop. See Mr. Sokol to confirm your attendance as I need to know exact numbers.

GRADE 12

ANOTHER BUS TO AFTER GRAD – LAST CHANCE!

An extra bus to After Grad has been made available. It is **first come, first served**. Even if you put your name on the waiting list, it's first come, first served. **Pay online ASAP (like today!) on the website under Student Fees**. If you don't pay quickly, you will miss out.

TRANSCRIPTS NOT SENT TO POST SECONDARY – SEE LIST POSTED

A list is on the Career Centre bulletin board of grade 12 students who **HAVE NOT** sent their transcripts to post-secondary schools yet. Please see Ms. Tsang if you have questions. Transcripts must be sent by **TODAY MAY 3, 2019!**

GRADE 12 GRAD TRANSITIONS – DEADLINE APPROACHES

Once your GT documents are uploaded to OneNote, you **must** e-mail a confirmation of completion to Mr. MacDonald or Ms. Weeks. Remember this important final step or your complete Grad Transition may not get marked. Your GT is NOT complete until you have received confirmation of completion from either Mr. MacDonald or Ms. Weeks.

GRAD 2019 SLIDESHOW

Attention all grads! Please send your "school days" pictures of you and your friends to bestpictures2019@gmail.com by **TODAY Friday May 3rd**. These photos will be displayed at After Grad.

SNAPCHAT FILTER CONTEST FOR GRAD DINNER/DANCE AND AFTER GRAD

Ms. Thomas is collecting submissions for Snapchat filters for Grad Dinner/Dance and After Grad. The winner of each will receive a FREE After Grad ticket. All submissions are due **TODAY FRIDAY MAY 3RD**. Please email DThomas@sd43.bc.ca with your filter idea. The theme for After Grad is "Hollywood".

OUTSTANDING FEES, TEXTBOOK, LIBRARY BOOKS, ETC CHECKLIST

There are two lists posted, one in the foyer and one by the Grade 12 table. **Please check for your name**. If your name appears, you have outstanding items that need to be cleared up in order to purchase Grad Dinner Dance Tickets on **May 7**.

GRAD DINNER/DANCE PLAYLIST

Attention all grads! Ensure that you and your friends have an amazing dance party this year at Grad Dinner/Dance. Please email your music requests to Ms. Thomas **by June 1st**. Only the "radio edit" versions will be played. DThomas@sd43.bc.ca

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Emily Carr's "Headstart in Art" course will be available to current grade 11 or 12 students or recent graduates. For more information and for an application form, please see Career Centre website under Opportunities.

Applications are due Friday **May 17** by 3pm. There are **only up to 20 seats available for the district** and it is on a "**first submitted, first considered**" basis.

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 STUDENTSNO 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 social gathering places.

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.