



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Monday September 30, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

GRADE 10 FRENCH IMMERSION STUDENTS

The registrations for the 2020 Quebec exchange are open. Students who are interested are required to complete the initial registration form on the school website, under French Immersion Program.

PRACTICE S.A.T. EXAM (P.S.A.T.) DEADLINE OCT 11TH

Students interested in doing the P.S.A.T. exam on **October 16th**, please register for it at the office.

There are only 20 spots available.

The fee is \$25. Pay in cash (exact amount) or with a cheque payable to Charles Best School.

If you need more info, please see Ms. John in the Counselling Office.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

This message is for those students who have participated in the recent **RETAKE** Photo Day portrait sessions!

Check out the link below to look at your photos!

- Visit Gallery Link: <https://vando.imagequix.com/N9X659C>
- Order deadline is Monday, September 30th at 9PM.
- All orders put into production at that time will be shipped directly to your home address.
- Your *online code is your student/pupil number* found on last years ID/GO card or this year's timetable.
- Your retake image will automatically be generated for yearbook use.

ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA

Would you like to spend a week 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 (counselor) a.s.a.p. Spaces are limited so acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis. There are still spaces in some of the theme weeks for this school year.

More information is available at https://www.ewc-rdc.ca/pub/en/theme_week

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAM

If you missed the Library meeting, drop in to see Mrs. Graf as needed to get some instructions.

The final due date for all applications is **Oct 31st**.

MIRACLE MOVEMENT CLUB

Hey Charles Best! Want to earn volunteer hours, meet new people and advocate for a good cause? Come out and join Miracle Movement in support of BC Children's Hospital. Our club raises money through various small fundraisers for pediatric health. Our first meeting is October 3rd afterschool in the library. Anyone is welcome to drop by and see what it's all about. Snacks will be provided.

GRADE 11 AND 12

DO YOU WANT TO TRAVEL EUROPE WITH YOUR FRIENDS?

Are you in grade 11 or 12?

Come join us as we tour through Italy and Greece!

There will be a parent information meeting on **Thursday, October 3** in room 103 at 6 pm.

For more information, see Ms. Deck or Ms. Royle.

We'd love to have you join us!

GRADE 12

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY EVENT

There's a Canadian University Event at the Gleneagle Gym on **Wednesday October 9** at 6:00 to 8:00pm. About 50 universities from across Canada will be there.

BCIT MARINE CAMPUS

BCIT marine campus open house is held on **Friday, October 18** at 10am to 7pm. see for details: bcit.ca/marineday

DESIGN EVENTS AT UFV

Upcoming Design Events at UFV and beyond on **October 19 and November 4th**! See career centre under the post secondary tab for details.

UBC OPEN HOUSE

UBC Engineering & Architecture Open House is on **Saturday, November 2** at 10 to 4pm. RSVP here:
engineering.ubc.ca/openhouse

GRAD PHOTOS

Exciting news! Grad portrait/video sessions are coming up in just a few weeks! To book your preferred session time, please visit this link: www.gradsbc.com/school/dcb

The web link above will also give you specific details on the services and products you will be receiving from GradsBC; starting with fall portraits all the way to your year end grad events. You will also find useful tips on how to prepare for your cap and gown session, fashion station and video interview, as well as highlight videos from past grad years so you can get a glimpse of what's to come!

GRAD GOWN SIZE FORM

A reminder to all Grade 12s to please fill out and hand in the Grad Gown Size form to the office.

SPORTS

CROSS-COUNTRY

The Charles Best cross-country team had another strong showing in the trails of Mundy Park yesterday. We had numerous top-8 finishes and across all races, highlighted by Zach Gibney and Cole Wheeler finishing 1-2 in the Junior Boy's race, Daigan White placing third amongst Grade 11 Boys and Aldyn Monk-Young finishing 4th in the grade 12 boys race.

JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER

The Junior Boys soccer team has a home game today at 3:30pm out on the field. Come out and support them!!
Players should meet in the outdoor change rooms at 2:50pm.

ALL GRADE 9 GIRLS INTERESTED IN PLAYING BASKETBALL

There will be a short meeting to discuss the upcoming season and tryouts and to meet your coaches.
Wednesday October 2nd from 3:30-4pm in the small gym.

ALL GRADE 9 BOYS INTERESTED IN PLAYING BASKETBALL

Mandatory meeting **Tuesday, October 8th** at 330 pm in the small gym. If you cannot make the meeting on that date, please see Coach Sokol ASAP.

WEIGHT ROOM

Any students wishing to work out in the weight room after school, see Mr. Adams in the PE Office for your registration form. Costs are \$20 per semester or \$30 for both semesters. Students will not be permitted to use the weight room without submitting the registration form and fees to Mr. Adams.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*****CROSSING COMO LAKE*****

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

*****STUDENT PARKING*****

Please do not park under or near the basketball hoops in the student parking lot, as students would like to use the hoops for games. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged

*****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 social gathering places.

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.

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.