



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday October 03, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 2

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

ORANGE SHIRT DAY TOMORROW

Please remember to wear your orange shirt tomorrow to support the reconciliation process.

OUR NEXT CAREER ADVISORY SESSION IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH.

Grade 10s

- o Please finish your student reflection sheet from the last session **BEFORE October 16th**. Please bring it to advisory on the 16th so you can upload it to your Edublog. Please bring your charged laptop as well.

Grades 11s and 12s

- o Please bring writing utensils. You will be starting your Vision Board assignment.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE EVERY WEDNESDAY

Are you interested in learning American Sign Language? Then come to Room 105 every **Wednesday** after school. Ms. Edinger will show you the FUN basics!

LOST AND FOUND

Please make sure you check the Lost and Found table as it will be donated on Friday.

CHARLES BEST SPIRIT WEAR

Spirit Wear is now on sale **until Tuesday October 15th**. All orders must be placed online and the link is on the school website. Sample sizes are available to try on in the Devil's Den during the first 30 minutes of each block **Tuesday through Thursday this week**. No returns/refunds will be granted for incorrect sizing so please make sure you try the samples on.

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.

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.

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

MIRACLE MOVEMENT CLUB MEETING TODAY

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

ITALY AND GREECE TOUR - MEETING TODAY

Are you in grade 11 or 12?

Come join us as we tour through Italy and Greece!

There is a parent information meeting today, **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

GRAD CLOTHING 2020

Attention all Gr. 12s: Grad wear is now available to order online **until Tuesday October 15th**. All orders must be placed online and the link is on the school website. Sample sizes are available to try on in the Devil's Den during the first 30 minutes of each block **Tuesday through Thursday this week**. No returns/refunds will be granted for incorrect sizing so please make sure you try the samples on.

LORAN SCHOLARSHIP AND U OF T

Thank you to all students who applied to be potentially nominated by the school for the Loran Scholarship. The shortlisted students will be contacted.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

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BEEDIE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

SFU Beedie School of Business presentation is on **Wednesday, October 16** at 3:20pm in the library.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

University of Toronto is hosting an information session on **Friday, October 18** at 3:15pm in the library.

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 competed in the Coquitlam Invitational yesterday, which saw schools from Burnaby, New West, Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge, and Chilliwack converge on Mundy Park for inter-district bragging rights. Once again, we had a strong showing across all races. Mahiro Hatachi placed 5th in the Jr. Girls race, Cole Wheeler and Zach Gibney placed 5th and 8th respectively in the Jr. Boys race, and Josh Greenwood led our Sr. Boys team with a 7th place finish. The Sr. Boys ran incredibly well as a group, and came away with the team title. **A reminder to all team members to PAY YOUR FEES!!!!!!**

ALL GRADE 9 BOYS INTERESTED IN PLAYING BASKETBALL

Mandatory meeting **Tuesday, October 8th** at 3:30 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.

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.

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.

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.