



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Tuesday October 15, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

VOLUNTEER FAIR

There's a tri-cities volunteer job fair on **October 20**, at Coquitlam Centre from 11am to 6pm.

GRADE 10 OR 11 STUDENTS

Grade 10 or 11 students interested in STEAM & Entrepreneurship? Shad Canada may be for you! See for details and application: <https://www.shad.ca/>

YOUTH ADVENTURES IN LEADERSHIP

15 to 17 year old students are invited to apply to Youth Adventures in Leadership. It is opened to the first 65 participants who complete the registration process. For info and registration contact. yail.org

CANADIAN COAST GUARD EVENT

The Achieve Anything Foundation is hosting a Canadian Coast Guard Event for girls in Kitsilano on **October 26**. See website for details and application. www.achieveyouanything.ca/thisisyou.html

CHARLES BEST SPIRIT WEAR-LAST DAY TO ORDER IS TODAY

Spirit Wear, last day to order is today **Tuesday October 15th**. All orders must be placed online and the link is on the school website. No returns/refunds will be granted for incorrect sizing so please make sure you try the samples on.

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.

PRACTICE S.A.T. EXAM (P.S.A.T.) DEADLINE TOMORROW 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 14 spots left. **DON'T MISS OUT, deadline to register is tomorrow Fri Oct 11th**.

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 11 & 12'S

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

Grade 11 and 12 Students are required to have written the Grad 10 Numeracy Assessment.

If you have not or wish to rewrite please check the list posted in the foyer.

The assessment will be held **Thursday Nov 7th** at 9am.

Please see Ms. Gibson or Mr. Jones if you are NOT on the list.

All grade 10's will be writing in January 2020.

GRADE 12

GRAD CLOTHING 2020 – LAST DAY TO ORDER IS TODAY

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.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP

Grade 12 students if you would like to be considered for the Queen's University Chancellor's Scholarship, please submit your brag sheet to Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by Friday, November 1 at 3pm. Best can nominate up to 2 students.

SFU BEEDIE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Has a presentation on **Wednesday, October 16** at 3:20pm in the library.

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

U of T 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

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Reminder of our first open gym **tonight at 7:30** in the Main Gym, hope to see everyone there. This is open to grade 10 girls as well.

JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER

The last game of the season is an away game next **Wednesday October 16th** vs Archbishop Carney. Well done Boys

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.