

Dr. Charles Best Secondary Newsletter

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Website: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/charlesbest/Pages/default.aspx>

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Our school goal is to develop a culture of connectedness and belonging within the school, among school staff, students, and our parent community, in order to enhance opportunities for collaborative partnerships.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 13

PAC General Meeting – Library 7pm

Tuesday, January 14

After Grad Parent Committee Meeting – Library
7pm

Evening of the Arts – Small Gym 7pm

Wednesday, January 15

Career Advisory Schedule

EVENING OF THE ARTS

On Tuesday, January 14 the Dr. Charles Best Secondary Fine and Performing Arts Department will be holding our annual fine arts night, titled “ARTs! The Pillars of Our Community”. The evening will be a celebration of ALL the arts here at Charles Best. Including selections from the drama, music and visual arts departments, the show will be presented in our small gymnasium which we lovingly transform into an art gallery/theatre. This venue will be set so that students, their families and friends can enjoy presentations by drama, band, choir, ceramics, painting, drawing, animation, graphic arts and photography classes. It is sure to be a great evening. Whether your son or daughter is involved in these electives or not, be sure to save the date. The evening begins at 7:00 pm and seating will be cabaret style. Hope to see you all there.

SNOW BALL! WINTER DANCE

All grade 11 and 12 students are invited to come and dance the night away from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm in our small gym. Tickets are \$15.00 (includes DJ, photo booth and food – pizza, pop and treats). Sign into your account <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com/> to purchase your ticket or purchase by cash or cheque (no post dated cheques) during Period 2 on Friday, January 10, Monday, January 13 and Tuesday, January 14 in the school foyer (main entrance). Guest forms are available in the office for any grade 11 or 12 Best student who wishes to bring a grade 10 Best student to the dance. Deadline for guest forms to be submitted for approval is Wednesday, January 15.

SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO EXTREME WEATHER

Any district wide or partial district closure will be decided and communicated by 6:30 am via the School District 43 website www.sd43.bc.ca and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX AM 1130 radio and CBC 690 AM radio. Please check the above sites before calling the school.

CROSS CATCHMENT PROCESS

Application forms can be accessed online at www.sd43.bc.ca between Thursday, February 6, 2020, 9 am to Wednesday, February 12, 2020, 4 pm. Applications will be processed based on the availability of space in schools and on a random draw process (using in-district priority, then out of district). If enrolment projections show that space is available, cross catchment transfer applications will be accepted in accordance with the following priorities: (i) catchment area child; (ii) non-catchment area child; and (iii) non-school district child.

Dear Parents and Guardians;

The last day of scheduled classes for Semester 1 is **Friday January 17th, 2020**. While there are no regular classes scheduled for the week of January 20-24th, many members of our school community will still be expected to attend, especially students who are taking a provincial assessment and students who have an Incomplete (I) grade, incomplete assignments and projects. This is the time students can meet with teachers and make up missed work.

For those students who have an I or need additional support to complete their class successfully:

- Teachers will communicate with you and your child if they have an "I" (Incomplete). Teachers will be available to help students complete their work, accept projects, and complete assessments.
- Students will be expected to attend until they have successfully resolved their "I" (Incomplete).

We also have **scheduled assemblies on Monday and Tuesday for Grade 9 students. All Grade 9s are expected to attend.** Monday's presentation topic is Career Education and Tuesday's presentation will be by Jesse Miller, for their COL Digital Learning 10 course. Both days students will be at Best from 10 am – 12 noon and there will be an assignment that will need to be completed and then submitted during the next advisory in February.

Literacy and numeracy assessments will occur throughout the week. Grade 10 students will be writing both the Literacy and Numeracy assessment and Grade 11 and 12 students who have not written the Numeracy assessment will also be writing. These students should check the lists posted outside of the office for the date, time, and room location of their assessment. These assessments are graduation requirements. It is important that all students show up for their scheduled time to complete the assessment.

Grade 12 students should be working on their Capstone projects and/or discussing their projects with their mentors. All grade 12's will be presenting their Capstone on April 15, 2020. Early graduates will be presenting on Monday, January 20, 2020.

The schedule for the week of January 20-24 is as follows



ASSESSMENT WEEK January 20 - 24

Monday Jan 20	Tuesday Jan 21	Wednesday Jan 22	Thursday Jan 23	Friday Jan 24
Numeracy Assessment 9-12 pm Career Presentation - 10 am Early Grad Capstone Presentation	Digital Learning 10 Presentation – 10 am	Literacy Assessment 9–12 pm	FRIMM Gr 9 Winter Day	
Numeracy Assessment 1-4 pm		Literacy Assessment 1-4 pm		Gr. 8 Walkabout 12–2 pm
SNOW BALL – Grade 11/12 winter dance			Gr 8 Parent Info night – 7 pm	