



THE “BEST” INFORMER



Monday, January 13, 2020

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would the following student please come to the office to see Ms. Lynn Eloise Herdman

THROWBACK THURSDAY

Follow us on Instagram @charlsbestscho

Every Thursday, sometime during the day a photo of a staff member, from their high school days, will be posted.

The first student to identify the staff member to one of the Administration (Ms. Murphy, Mr. Jones, Ms. McKay, or Mr. Nelson) will win a weekly prize.

Winners to date:

Teacher	Winning Student/s
Senorita Thomas	Megan Archbold & Annika Kovacs
Ms. Turpin	Tim Baker
Mr. Startin	Jayden Jackson & Deniz Tur
Mr. Eccles	Claire Tatham
Ms. Manton	Rebecca Darts, Katy Tempel, Kylie Heinrich
Mrs. Zanatta	Carly Seemann

Congratulations Carly Seemann #bluedevilpride #schoolspirit

TIM HORTONS DOUGHNUTS

Come and grab a Koala-ty Tim Hortons doughnut Wednesday January 15th in the front foyer. Don't miss out on the delicious opportunity! All proceeds go towards the Australian Red Cross, helping the victims of the Australian wildfires.

POETRY IN VOICE

First meeting will be tomorrow, **Tuesday, January 14th** at 3:15 in the Library. See or email Ms. Silzer to sign up.

Competition is Thursday February 20th in the Library.

EVENING OF THE ARTS TOMORROW

Tomorrow, **Tuesday, January 14th** 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 p.m. and seating will be cabaret style.

CAREER ADVISORY WED JAN 15TH

Our next career advisory is **January 15th**

Grade 10s: You will continue to prepare for your literacy and numeracy assessments. Please bring your charged laptop.

Grade 11s: You will be attending a workplace safety assembly.

Grade 12s: Your Capstone Proposals are due. After that, you will be attending a workplace safety assembly.

ODYSSEY MEMBERS

Club meeting after school Tuesday January 14th. Attendance is mandatory! Vital information will be discussed. Please speak with Ms. Cho or Ms. Lauder if you cannot attend!

CANADIAN COAST GUARD COLLEGE

Is setting up an information table today, **Monday, January 13th** at 2:30 p.m. in the main foyer.

GO GREEN CHALLENGE

Follow @go.greenorgo.home on Instagram to participate in simple challenges that will help the planet stay happy and healthy. The winner will be posted on **January 17th**.

SPRING AND SUMMER LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Volunteer opportunity is available with Ocean Wise, Youth to Sea spring and summer leadership program. Please see website for details and application. Spring placement applications close on **Thursday, January 30th**.

<https://vanaqua.tiged.org/youth/assignments/folder/1403>

ROTARY ADVENTURES

Citizenship applications are opened for students between the ages of 16 and 18. Please see career centre website under opportunities for details and application. Please email completed applications to Ms. Tsang by **Tuesday, February 11th** at 3:00 p.m.

GRADE 11 & 12

SNOWBALL WINTER DANCE

Snow Ball tickets will be on sale in the front foyer today, **Monday Jan 13th and Tuesday Jan 14th**. The tickets are \$15.00. You can also purchase tickets online!

GRADE 11 & 12 WINTER BALL JAN 20TH

Ticket sales open until **Wed Jan 15th** @ 9:00pm. Cost covers pizza, refreshments, DJ and photobooth. No refunds. Tickets are for Grade 11 & 12 students only, no outside guests permitted. Grade 10's can come as a guest. Guest forms must be filled out and are available in the office. Students must have photo ID.

SENIOR BOYS RUGBY

Reminder that Senior Boys Rugby practice and meeting on Tuesday after school. Come to Room 117 changed to do some fitness after the meeting (we will meet at 3:25). New players are welcome. If you have a commitment to another sport currently in season, please let Mr. Startin know if you have practice that day and cannot make the rugby fitness.

BOARDING UALBERTA

This is a chance for **grade 11 students** to see the University of Alberta. Applications deadline: **February 17, 2020**. See website for details and application: uab.ca/boarding

GRADE 12

GRAD COUNCIL 2020

There will be an important Grad Council meeting on **Thursday, January 16th** after school in Room 101.

BC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are interested in being nominated for the BC excellence scholarships- please submit brag sheet to Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by **Wednesday, January 22** at 3:00 p.m.

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

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB - DON'T MISS OUT

FOR THE FINAL TRIP, APRIL 18TH only 4 spaces are still available.

Registration is online only. Please go to the Charles Best Website then Quick Links then Student Fees to register. First come, first served.

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.

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.