

Dr. Charles Best Secondary Newsletter

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Principal – Heather Murphy, Vice-Principals – Gordon Easton, David Jones, and Joel Nelson

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, February 10 – Thursday, February 13

Grade 9, 10, 11 Course Programming Information Week

Wednesday, February 12

Career Advisory Schedule

Friday, February 14

School Closed - Not In Session

Monday, February 17

Family Day Stat Holiday

Tuesday, February 18 – Thursday, February 20

Grade 9 Immunizations

Thursday, February 20

Poetry in Voice (school level competition)

Grade 9, 10 & 11 Parent Information Night 7pm

GRADE 9, 10, 11 COURSE PROGRAMMING FOR 2020/2021

Counsellors will be presenting next school year course options, graduation requirements and post-secondary information to students starting Monday, February 10 to Thursday, February 13. Students will be given course selection forms at these presentations. The forms must be completed by the student and signed by a parent/guardian. Deadline for returned forms: grade 9 – Thursday, February 27, grade 10 – Wednesday, March 4 and grade 11 – Friday, March 6. The grade 11's will need to meet with their counsellor before submitting their form. To see all the courses that Best offers please follow this link:

<https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/charlesbest/ProgramsServices/Counselling/Documents/Course%20Catalogue%202020-2021.pdf>

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING FOR GRADES 9, 10 & 11 – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 – 7PM – GYM

This evening is for parents whose children are currently in grades 9, 10 and 11. Counsellors will provide important information regarding course selection for the upcoming 2020/2021 school year and will also update parents on graduation and university requirements.

GRADE 12 CAPSTONE PROJECTS

Parents and community members: The grade 12's will be presenting their Capstone projects on Wednesday, April 15 in the large gym. We are still looking for parents and community members who are willing to be panel members for these presentations. If you can help out, please email vroyle@sd43.bc.ca . Thank you in advance.

HOLOCAUST SYMPOSIUM – MR. IPE’S SOCIAL JUSTICE 12 CLASS

For many years, Mr. Ipe has organized School District 43’s Holocaust Symposium. Please click on the link (Tri-City News article January 27, 2020) for more information:

<https://www.tricitynews.com/news/here-s-why-coquitlam-teens-are-learning-about-the-holocaust-1.24062307>

POETRY IN VOICE

The national Poetry in Voice foundation has generously agreed for the third year in a row to support Charles Best by sponsoring Canadian poet Elee Kraljii Gardiner to work with Best students. She will be at Best to lead writers’ workshop sessions for two of our grade 10 English classes on Monday, February 10. Poetry in Voice is a very important part of our school; over the years, many of our students have participated in this recitation experience at both the class and the school level. Best has hosted the regional competition the last two years, and a total of five Best students grades 9 to 12 have competed at Nationals over the last 5 years against students from across Canada. Look for this year’s school level competition Thursday, February 20 in the library. This year’s regional competition featuring teams from around the Lower Mainland will take place in the small gym at 12:30, Friday, March 6. Many thanks to the stagecraft crew for continued technical support.

SEMESTER 1 WOOD PROJECTS

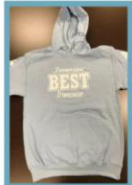





We have some projects that have not been picked up by students from Semester 1. If your child was enrolled in Wood 9, Wood 10/11/12 in Semester 1 and did not bring home their projects, please have them see Mr. Orlandi in the woodshop. We have several beautiful pieces such as treasure boxes, night tables, and cutting boards. The deadline to claim your project is February 27, after that date, all wood items will be recycled.

BRITA RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Forces of Nature Club is collecting used Brita filters and wrappers! Your filters will be sent to TerraCycle, where they will be recycled into new plastic products such as playground equipment and outdoor furniture. By donating, you will help protect our environment and you’ll help the Forces of Nature club with their future initiatives. Now would be a great time to change your filter! You can drop off your Brita water filters at the school office.

ATTENTION FRENCH IMMERSION STUDENTS/PARENTS

SPIRITWEAR purchase online: <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/45289/108/False/True>

<p>IMMERSION BEST FRANÇAISE HOODIE</p>  <p>\$35 CAD Light blue</p>		<p>FINISSANTS IMMERSION BEST FRANÇAISE T-SHIRT</p>  <p>\$15 CAD Dark blue</p>
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THE BEST WILD WEST! 21st ANNUAL GR 11 PARENT DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER FOR 2021 GRADS

This is an adult only fundraising dinner and dance for our 2021 Grads. Tickets for the dance are \$40 per person and are purchased directly on this Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-best-wild-west-tickets-78130066131>. The evening includes a DJ, buffet dinner, 50/50 tickets, toonie toss, and silent auction.



AFTER GRAD 2020 FUNDRAISER



École Dr. Charles Best

AfterGrad 2020

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser!

When: Friday, February 21st

Pick-up at École Dr. Charles Best from 9 am – 1 pm

What: Original Glazed Doughnuts

Price: \$10/dozen

Order Deadline: February 10, 2020

Donuts are made fresh each morning!

They can easily be frozen and enjoyed at a later date - so order as many as will fit in your Freezer 😊!