



# THE "BEST" INFORMER



## FEBRUARY 2 & 3, 2021

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

**\*THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING YOUR MASK EACH DAY\***

### GENERAL

#### QUARTER 3/SEMESTER 2

The schedule for the first week of Q3/S2 is shown below.

Please check your Q3/S2 schedule in MYED. Schedules will NOT be printed by the office.

Note the change on Wednesday, February 3. There are NO online classes that day.

### Dr. Charles Best Secondary

#### Quarter 3



Feb 1 – Feb 5, 2021						
1 <sup>st</sup> Week of Q3						
Period	Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>0</b> (linear)	7:00 - 8:00 60 min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise students when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc. LINEAR: Basketball/Fitness, Butterfly Effect				
<b>1</b> (quarter)	8:05 - 10:35 warming bell @ 10:05 120 + 30** (Wed. Flex is 15 min not 30)	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z) <b>8:05 - 10:05**</b>	In Class (A-Z)	In Class (A-Z)
	10:35 - 11:05 30 min	L U N C H				
<b>2</b> (quarter)	11:05 - 1:35 warming bell @ 1:05 120 + 30** min	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)
<b>3</b> (semester)	1:40 - 3:00 * 65 + 15** min	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (A-L) Remote (M-Z)	In Class (M-Z) Remote (A-L)
<b>X</b> (linear)	3:05 - 4:20 60 + 15** min	LINEAR: Band/Choir - Gr. 11/12; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - Mr. Hughes to advise when to attend i.e., choir, band, and various levels, etc., Drama (Tues/Thurs) LINEAR: Fly Fishing, Athletic Leadership, Butterfly Effect - Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - TBC by teachers (alternating). Times will be flexible depending on the projects.				

Q3 runs – February 2 – April 22, 2021

\* Period 3 Linear Jr. Band/Choir - Gr. 9/10; Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - alpha splits  
Semester 2 All other Blk 3 will alternate.

#### COMPLIMENTS TO CHARLES BEST FROM A LOCAL RESIDENT

I drove past Charles Best and Hillcrest Schools this morning. It was break time and hundreds of students were outside. I was stunned to see that everyone in my eye-line had a mask on. Students on the sidewalk coming to and from the schools had a mask on if in a group.

Congratulations to the students and staff of both schools for your leadership in making attending in-class learning as safe as possible.

Please, keep up your excellent work.

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: RE-APPLICATION UPDATE

International students who are returning for 2021-2022, and whose payment schedule begins second semester must complete the re-application and complete payment by the **March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline**. Please see Mrs. Joba for more information about COVID protocols if going to Winslow in person (contactless payment is preferred).

#### STUDENT PARKING

There are many student cars parked in the upper lot that are not displaying a parking pass. Please come to the office and request a parking pass form.

#### ABSENCES/LATE ARRIVALS/EARLY DISMISSALS

**Students who are absent:** Parents, please let the school office know either by attendance email or phone call.

**Students who are late:** Parents, please let the school office know either by attendance email or phone call.

To maintain social distancing, students are to check in with their teacher, not the office.

**Students who are leaving early:** Parents, please let the school office know either by attendance email or phone call. Students are to check out at the office.

**Remember, if your child is not feeling well, they should stay home-thank you.**

#### STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORM/EMERGENCY RELEASE FORM

We are halfway through the school year and are still missing many forms that were handed out at the beginning of the school year as well as at the end of Quarter 1.

Please check your binders, backpacks and bedrooms for these, have your parents review and sign, and hand in to the office ASAP. This information is used in case of emergency as well as all communication from the school.



### CAFETERIA

**Reminder:** the school cafeteria is open before and during school, with the exception of Wednesdays. If the exterior door is closed, please just knock for entry.

### LOST AND FOUND

An Air Pods case has been turned in to the office.  
Owner must be able to prove their Air Pods are paired to the case/phone before claiming.

**OVERDUE**

### TEXTBOOK/LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

Textbooks and library books are now overdue. Please return textbooks to the table outside the office and fill out a textbook return form. Library returns still go to the library.

### GRAD AND SPIRIT WEAR PICKUP

Grad Wear AND Spirit Wear are both available for pickup from the Devil's Den between 10:10 and 11am all week.  
Students will need to bring photo ID in order to receive their order.



### STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

**Please come to the office to pick up your new card:**

J. Berezega            S. Hong  
K. Y. Heung            W. Li

### POETRY IN VOICE

It's not too late to compete in PIV! Select 2 poems from the Senior PIV anthology to memorize, interpret, and perform. Check out the details on [the PIV website](#).  
All performances must be submitted to Ms. Silzer by February 11, 2021.

### SEEKING RED DRESS DONATIONS

We are looking to collect red dresses of all sizes for upcoming REDress Day (Feb 5<sup>th</sup>) They will be used in an art installation to bring awareness to the problem of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada. For more information, please follow this link:

[Red dresses create powerful symbol at Douglas College - Tri-City News](#)

Please drop off donations to room 305. Attention: Ms. Leslie.



### YEARBOOKS

Don't miss out! Under **200** yearbooks left for the whole school.  
To order: visit our school website, click on Quick Links, click on Student Fees, login

### HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR CAR YET?

Grade 11's & 12's, if you are an 'N' driver and plan on parking a car at school this year, you must register the vehicle with the office. Please come by the office for a registration form.



## **GRADE 12'S**

### GRADUATION CEREMONY

If your child is **not** planning on attending Charles Best Graduation Ceremony on June 9 please let us know by emailing [CharlesBestaccounting@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:CharlesBestaccounting@sd43.bc.ca) **by Feb 12** so the fee can be deleted.

If you choose not to participate, your grade 12 student will not receive the Cap/Gown, diploma folder, grad video, and grad swag including grad street photo. The cap and gown need to be ordered in the next month and due to COVID restrictions no changes can be made. Plans and orders go in before Spring Break so if you opt out, we cannot add you later, sorry. Thank you for your immediate attention. We are looking forward to a wonderful celebration!

### DOUGLAS COLLEGE

Mark your calendars for the Douglas College Next Steps Visit for SD43 on Thursday, Feb 4 at 4pm.

Please register here:

<https://douglascollege-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5YoduuqpjovEtElcl7sl3cMRvla3Nv-cNy1>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

### GRADUATION COMMENCEMENT

**Cap and Gown sizing is now OVERDUE!**

Visit our school website, click on Quick Links, click on Student Fees, login.

**OVERDUE**

**Please order ASAP**-see information above under 'Graduation Ceremony'



## SPORTS

## CLUBS

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### **\*\*\*\*\*BE BEAR AWARE\*\*\*\*\***

This is the time of year bears can be seen near or on our school grounds. Do NOT approach one if you see one and report the sighting to an Administrator or staff member.

### **\*\*\*\*\*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 near the fenced off area in the upper parking lot. This is a designated area for our construction crew working on the school addition. 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.

### **\*\*\*VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS\*\*\***

**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.