



THE “BEST” INFORMER



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 AFTERGRAD PARENT MEETING

The next Aftergrad parent meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, April 25th at 7:00pm.
See details below.

Topic: Dr. Charles Best After Grad 2023 Committee Meeting

Time: Apr 25, 2023 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83757207917>

CHARLES BEST SPRING FOOD DRIVE IS COMING

When: **May 2nd, 3rd, and 4th**

Time: from 7:45am- 9:35am & 3:00pm-3:45pm

Where: in the front courtyard.

What to bring: canned/non-perishable food items, gift cards and/or any money!!

EARTH WEEK APRIL 17-20

There is a **school wide challenge every day of this week with many prizes**. Our goal is to have **every student and staff member participate in one activity during the week**. Here are the challenges:

Wednesday , April 19th – This is How we Roll

- **Before school, by the bike lock-ups – “Roll” your way to school with an alternate form of transportation to cut down on greenhouse gas commissions , traffic congestion and noise pollution and **first 50 students get a donut****

Thursday, April 20th - Litterless Lunch (Block 3/4)

- During blocks 3/4, anyone that brings an empty reusable water bottle is eligible for a free drink (Gatorade)
- Find out some sustainable eating habits and sample a piece of VEGAN BANANA BREAD made by our foods 9 class!

For a chance to win tons of prizes from the district, register any team of 10 students and create your own environmental initiative! Look for posters all around our school!

SPRING FLOWER FUNDRAISER

On sale now—**order end date April 25th at 12:00.**

Delivery May 9th at student school parking lot. Order on Growing Smiles website.

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STUDENT PARKING PASS

ALL students parking a vehicle on school property require a parking pass.

Once you have completed your ‘N’ road test, please come to the office for a registration form.

Reminder to all current students with a parking pass-your pass must be visible in your front windshield when your car is parked on school grounds.

CLUBS

Be sure to check Instagram for club posts

SPORTS

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

On **Thursday, April 20th**, the girls play an away game in Poco against Riverside. Good luck Seniors!

JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER

The Juniors have a **BYE** on **Wednesday, April 19th**. Next up, the team heads up the hill to Heritage Mountain Secondary on **Monday, April 24th**. Good luck!

HOCKEY TEAM

The team plays 2 games this week. First up is cross town Rivals Centennial on **Wednesday, April 19** at Planet Ice Coquitlam #3. **On Friday, April 21st** the team travels out to Mission to take on Mission Secondary. Go Blue Devils!

RUGBY

JUNIOR BOYS play a home game on **Wednesday, April 19th** against Terry Fox.

SENIOR BOYS play on **Thursday, April 20th** at Coquitlam Town Centre at 3:30pm vs. Burnaby Central.

SENIOR GIRLS play on **Friday April 21st** (Pro D) on our home turf at 3pm against..... No school Friday so come out and catch some rugby!

GRADE 12'S

LINK NOW OPEN - COMMENCEMENT MESSAGES

Grads, start thinking about the message you'd like to hear as you cross the stage in June. There will be a link to a form available **starting Monday, April 17th** on our school website homepage. **Deadline for writeups is Wednesday, May 10th.**

CHECK YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL - VALEDICTORIAN VOTING

Starting Monday, April 17th Grads can start voting for your Class of 2023 Valedictorian. Grads, check your school email on Monday for details. **Voting closes on April 24th.**

GRAD DINNER/DANCE/AFTERGRAD GUEST FORMS

Blue guest forms are still available on the front counter of the office. **Final day to submit is April 24th.** Grads, ensure you allow yourselves ample time to fulfill all of the requirements on the form.

ASSISTANT ACTIVITY COORDINATOR FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SUMMER PROGRAMS

Grade 12 students looking for a summer job, are you interested to act as a cultural ambassador for SD43's international summer students? Lead games and activities, help out on fieldtrips, and assist teachers in the classroom. July 4 – August 25. Hourly rate is tba but is expected to be around \$20. **Apply by April 28.** [More info here.](#)

COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL BURSARY

Graduating students are invited to apply for one of these \$500 awards. Criteria are financial need and service to the community. **Deadline is April 28, 2023, 3 pm.** [Details here.](#)

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA UNDERGRADUATE ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES

If you are planning to attend UVic this fall, don't forget to [apply to these awards.](#) Many different criteria, have a look. **Deadline is April 30.**

SFU UNDERGRADUATE ENTRANCE BURSARIES

Students with financial need who are planning to attend SFU, check if you are eligible to apply. Amounts vary. **Deadline is April 30.** [More here.](#)

BC HOUSING EDUCATION AWARDS

These bursaries are meant to help residents in a household directly receiving subsidy from BC Housing, or receiving rental assistance through the Rental Assistance Program (RAP). Awarded for post-secondary education and training programs. [More info here.](#) **Deadline is April 30th** before 2 pm.

BC SCHOOL SPORTS

Different awards are available (i.e. for Badminton players, for multi-sport athletes, Indigenous, etc.) They are looking for student-athletes who have balanced their high academic achievements with significant success as school athletes and contributions to their community. **Apply by May 1, 4 pm.** [More info.](#)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

THIS WEEKEND - UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS EVENT

Grade 10 & 11 students (and their family!) who are considering applying to the University of Toronto are invited to an info session incl. Q & A at the Westin Bayshore, Vancouver. **Sat, April 22**, 10-12 pm. Grade 11s should consider that U of T's early application deadline is usually November 7, so now would be the perfect time to learn more. [Register here](#).

VANCOUVER UNIVERSITIES FAIR AT THE CONVENTION CENTRE

Students of **all grade levels** are invited to attend this **FREE** conference on **Sat, April 29th**, 1-4 pm. Learn more about studying in Canada, the US, or abroad. Most major Canadian Universities, many familiar U.S. names, and universities from the U.K., Ireland, and Australia will be represented. Visit a booth, chat with some recruiters, collect info material, and attend [workshops](#) about admissions, essay writing, etc. [Registration form and list of participating universities](#).

VANCOUVER GAP YEAR EXPO

This family event is meant to help you understand all of the pieces that make up a purposeful gap year. **Sat, April 29**, 2:30 pm-4:30 pm, Creekside Community Centre (1 Athletes Way, Vancouver). [Register here](#).

NATIONAL PORTFOLIO DAY

Last chance for this year to get your portfolio evaluated by admissions team members and faculty from art & design schools. Get ready for university applications by getting expert's feedback early on. **FREE!** **Sat, May 6**, 9 am – 1 pm. [Sign up here](#).

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: DISHWASHER

Doppio Zero, an Italian restaurant on Como Lake Ave, is hiring dishwasher. Min. age is 15. No experience is required. Shifts are 5 pm to 9.30/10.30 pm (weekdays), or 4 pm to 9.30/10.30 pm on Fridays & Saturdays, usually students work 2 shifts/ week.

If you are interested, apply with your resume in person (ask for Guilia), or send your resume to doppiozerocoquitlam@gmail.com

HOOR OF CODE++ WORKSHOPS

The Hour++ of Code event features various one-off virtual workshops between May to June 2023 for students to learn how to code and implement popular digital tools. Topics include user interface and experience design, programming foundations in Python and Java, mobile app development, game development, and many more!

Please review the workshop overview and requirements for each workshop before registering! FREE.

[Details here](#).

SD43 SUMMER LEARNING VOLUNTEERS

High school students are wanted to help in an elementary or middle classroom at one of SD43's summer sites. July 10-28, 45 hours. All required information incl. list of possible locations and the application form can be found [here](#). **Apply by May 19, 2023**. A letter of reference will be provided after completion.

BELCARRA BEACHKEEPERS

Would you like to spend time on the beach this summer, learn about the ocean and gain volunteer experience engaging with the public or conducting field work at the same time? Beachkeepers is a fun stewardship program for students 16+ that will run out of Belcarra Regional Park, June 24th to September 4th on weekends and holidays. Minimum commitment is 30 hours. **Apply by May 26**. [More info](#).