



THE “BEST” INFORMER



MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023

TODAY IS DAY 2

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY - VIVA X CBSS CLUB FUNDRAISER

Viva X CBSS will be selling Black Cone Rice in the main lobby from Blocks 1-5 on **Friday, October 27th** and **Monday, October 30th**.
\$4 includes 1 topping or \$5 includes 2 toppings.
Proceeds will be donated to Burnaby General Hospital.

HALLOWEEN PEP RALLY

Reminder, tomorrow we will be running the Assembly Bell Schedule due to the Halloween Pep Rally.

Assembly Bell Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Finish</u>
1	8:16 am	9:20 am
2	9:25 am	10:30 am
Assembly	10:35 am	11:45 am
3	11:50 am	12:55 pm
4	1:00 pm	2:05 pm
5	2:10 pm	3:13 pm

TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK (TOKTW) DAY – GRADE 9’S

Wednesday, November 1 is “Take Our Kids to Work Day” for grade 9 students. **TOKTWD day** is a national program to promote career awareness and community connections ([LINK](#)).

Grade 9 students and their parents/guardians are responsible for finding a meaningful work location on November 1st. All Grade 9 classes are canceled at Dr. Charles Best on this day as students are encouraged to attend work with a parent or neighbour, uncle, cousin, or friend. This year the theme is *work environment*. Students are asked to be mindful of the smell, sites, colours, noise, space, temperature, weather, etc. in the work environments that they visit on Nov. 1st and the type of work environment that they’d like to find for their future. Students will complete an assignment in DL10 for TOKTW Day.

Further follow-up will happen in Career Life Education 10 and 12.

LITERACY/NUMERACY ASSESSMENTS

Literacy 12 Provincial Assessment – Friday, November 3RD

All grade 12 students enrolled in English 12 this semester have been registered to write the Literacy 12 Provincial assessment on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd at 8:15am**. Students will be excused from their period 1 and 2 classes and are required to be at school 15 minutes prior to the exam start time; please plan accordingly to ensure that you arrive at 8am. Room allocations are now posted in the front lobby. If you cannot locate your name, please come to the office and speak to Ms. Thibault.

Numeracy 10/Literacy 10 Provincial Assessments – Thursday, November 2nd

Any grade 11 or 12 students who have **not yet** written the Literacy 10 or Numeracy 10 assessments have been registered to write on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND at 8:15am**. Students will be excused from their periods 1 and 2 classes, and it is your responsibility to catch up on classroom work you miss that day.

Room allocations are now posted in the front lobby.

If you cannot locate your name, please come to the office and speak to Ms. Thibault.

POST SECONDARY INSTITUTION DAY

This year our annual **Post-Secondary Institutions (PSI) Day** will be on **Thursday, November 2nd** during Blocks 1 & 2. There will be 15 PSI’s presenting at Best and **all Grade 11, and 12 students are required to attend**. Please go to your Period 1 class for attendance.

If you have a Block 1 spare, please be in the gym at 8:30am.

THRIFT SHOP POP-UP:

For a student's Capstone project, they are creating a Thrift Shop fundraiser, in partnership with the Force of Nature club, where all proceeds will go to a Ukrainian charity!

There will be a donation box near the office in the front foyer from **November 6th until November 17th** with specific donations acceptable listed on the box.

The event will take place in the foyer from December 4th to 6th.

Please support this cause by donating, stopping by, or shopping.

The student and club would greatly appreciate this generous gesture!

GROWING SMILES WINTER PLANT FUNDRAISER

Charles Best After Grad Winter plant fundraiser is back! Order deadline is **November 19th** @ 12:00am.

Pickup is confirmed for December 5th. For product details, check out the link below:

<https://charlesbestsecondaryaftergrad.growingsmilesfundraising.com>

Thank you for supporting our 2024 Grads!

SAVE THE DATE

Mr. Sokol's leadership periods 2 and 3 classes have been corresponding with residents at Lakeshore and Madison care homes as pen pals. On **Tuesday December 5th** after school from 3:30-4:30pm, we are trying to get students and teachers to come with us to Madison Care Home to do 5-6 Christmas Carols for the residents. Mr. Major has graciously offered to drive the bus for those that need a ride. If you would like to join us, please leave your name with our Youth Worker, Heather Bjornson (hbjornson@sd43.bc.ca).

CALLING ALL GRADE 11 PARENTS

The next meeting of the planning committee for the Grade 11 Parent Dinner Dance will be held on **Wednesday, Nov 1st** @ 7pm in the school library. Please join us and see how you can help with this fun, social parent event which is planned for **Saturday March 9th, 2024**.

WORK EXPERIENCE HELP

PARENTS: Do you work for a community-minded company willing to take on a Work Experience Student?

Work Experience 12 students are looking for unpaid, career-related experience in the following fields:

accounting, business, finance, real estate, engineering, construction trades, medicine, dentistry. The goal is

to arrange a consistent weekly schedule that is mutually agreeable between now and Jan. 15, 2024. Work

experience sponsorship is easy and facilitated by the teacher. Please contact Kumi Abercrombie by email for more information: kabercrombie@sd43.bc.ca. Thank you for your involvement and dedication to our students!

***UPDATED CONTACT INFO. ADDED - VANCOUVER CANUCKS DISCOUNTED OFFERS**

All Dr. Charles Best students, teachers, faculty and their friend and families are eligible to take advantage of discounted offers for Vancouver Canucks games!

Access these offers through this link and QR code.

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/group/Charlesbest>

This is a great opportunity for you to enjoy Canucks games while supporting the school community to fundraise for our Grade 12's After Grad celebrations.

Please contact bestaftergrad2024@gmail.com if you have any questions.



CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

JUNIOR FIRE ACADEMY 2024

SD43 is once again partnering up with Coquitlam Fire Rescue and Port Moody Fire Rescue to offer two different firefighter academies in the Spring of 2024! The program is open to SD43 high school students currently in grades 11 and 12. The Junior Firefighting Programs will give the applicants a true understanding of the basic components both physical and educational of Fire Rescue's basic training for new recruits. Interested students are invited to an info meeting at our library, **Tue, November 7**, after school.

Any question, please contact Ms. Kaufmann at the Career Office.

UBC GEERING UP PRESENTS ENGINEERING X ARTS: CHARTING CREATIVITY FOR ALL STUDENTS IN GR. 9 TO 12

At the Engineering x Arts event, there will be various "Arts Hubs" that will study how a particular artistic endeavour is strengthened by engineering principles. With mentors coming from an arts, engineering or mixed background, you will get to tinker, create or make a micro-art project based on the Arts Hub you choose!

UBC campus, **Sat, November 18th**, 10 am – 2 pm. [Register for free.](#)

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

UNIVERSITY INFO SESSIONS AT BEST

Students in grade 11 and 12 who are exploring their post-secondary options, please mark your calendar. Recruiter visits are a wonderful opportunity to get a first idea of a specific school and to get your questions answered. All events will take place in the library.

- University of Waterloo, **Nov 1, 3.15 pm**
- University of Guelph, **Nov 8, school foyer, 3-3.45 pm**

UBC ENGINEERING OPEN HOUSE

Discover your future at one of Canada's top engineering schools. Explore all that UBC Engineering has to offer through in-person booths and demonstrations. Learn about UBC's 14 engineering programs by chatting with professors, students and advisors, student life, co-op and other work experience.

UBC Vancouver Campus, **Sat, November 4th**, 10 am – 2 pm. [Register here.](#)

UBC SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Fall preview/ Open House on **Sat, Nov 4**, 9:00am - 12:30pm | UBC Vancouver campus. Grade 11 & 12 students planning to apply to UBC's B.Com program are invited to connect with current Sauder students, faculty and the admissions team. Tour the Sauder facilities and learn more about the application process and what life of a Sauder student looks like. [Sign up here.](#)

HOUSE OF COMMONS – PAGE PROGRAM

Graduating students who are planning to start their post-secondary education at one of the capital's universities (i.e. U of Ottawa, Carleton), are you interested in becoming a page and being part of an unforgettable year-long experience? 40 (paid) positions are available for Fall 2024. Must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident; and can communicate fluently in both official languages.

Apply by November 8. [More here.](#)

SFU FACULTY SHOWCASE

On **November 18**, 10.30 am – 1.30 pm, high school students are invited to SFU's Surrey campus. Attend presentations from the Beedie School of Business, Faculty of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology. Check out student projects and tour the campus. [Register now](#) for a chance to win a door prize.

EXPLORE UVIC

On **Saturday, November 25th** the University of Victoria will welcome prospective students and their families to their beautiful campus. "Explore UVic" will feature campus tours, residence tours, sample lectures, student experience panels and more. [Register here.](#)

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA GETAWAY

Calling all grade 11 students who are keen to learn more about U of A. This is your chance to explore the Edmonton campus for one weekend, May 24-26, 2024 - free of charge. Your U of A Adventure will include transportation reimbursement, accommodation, meals, and a full schedule of events. 20 students in grade 11 will be selected for this one-of-a-kind experience. [Apply here](#) by **January 31**.

GRADE 12'S

****WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON****

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

TD SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Have you shown exceptional leadership in helping to make a meaningful and lasting difference in your community? Open to graduating student leaders with an average of 75% and up. Up to 20 awards, valued at up to \$70,000 over 4 years. **Apply by November 15.** [More info.](#)

TERRY FOX HUMANITARIAN AWARDS

Graduating high school seniors who have been significantly involved in voluntary humanitarian activities may be eligible to apply. Up to \$28,000 over 4 years. **Apply by December 1.** [More info.](#)

SFU UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Available for graduating seniors applying to SFU. Must have an academic average of 90%+ and significant involvement in extracurricular activities. Most awards are valued \$40,000 over 4 years. You apply to SFU first to get your student ID, then you start the scholarship application. **Deadline is December 15.** [More here.](#)

ATHLETICS

SENIOR BOYS SOCCER

Our Senior Boys' Soccer Team have successfully closed out their district season play on Seniors Night (thank you all those who attended this event and thank you to everyone who supported this memorable moment for our Grade 12 boys) and are now moving on to the Fraser Valley Championship Tournament as the second seed for Coquitlam. We are proud of them and look forward to this very competitive tournament format, as our next game will be at home on **Tuesday, October 31st** on the upper field against Burnaby Central.

Our game has an early start time and kickoff is at 3:00 pm sharp.

Come out to support and bring some home crowd energy!

FIELD HOCKEY

The Field Hockey team ended their season on Tuesday, Oct. 24th by placing 4th at Fraser Norths. They lost the 3rd place game to Centennial after being tied 1-1 and going into a shootout. Special shoutout to Maddy P. and Zoe L. for being awarded All-Stars for the game, and to Hartley R. for scoring in the shootout!

The team finished with a 5-5-1 record overall. Good work ladies!

VOLLEYBALL SENIORS NIGHT

Come out to the Senior Girls and Boys final home match of the season as we celebrate our graduating players!

Thursday, November 2nd in the large gym. Girls play at 7:30pm, Boys play at 6:00pm.

GRADE 9 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The team takes on Pinetree Secondary at home on **Thursday, November 2nd** after school.

JUNIOR GIRLS/BOYS VOLLEYBALL

District playdowns run from Wednesday, November 1st-Friday, November 3rd.

FIELD LACROSSE TRYOUTS

First try-out is **Friday, November 3rd at 3:30pm**. Please sign up with Mr. Jovanovic in portable #1.

Players must have their own gear, stick, and wear a helmet to be on the field.

We will have 2 teams: Junior and a Senior team.

We are looking for goalies. The season runs from November to the first week of March.

