



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, November 17, 2016

Today is **Day 1**

****Please note: All new items or any item with changes will be in **Red******

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would the following students please come to the office to see Mrs. Zanatta.
Rachel Lu, Evan Major, Val Silva, Lucas Skaric, Devin Ryan and Tatum Oyama

PEER COUNSELLING

There will be a short Peer Counsellor meeting after school today in Room 202.

FRENCH CLUB

Interested in global support and experiencing French culture? Then French Club is perfect for you! This club allows you to be more involved in your community as well as develop some well-earned leadership skills. First meeting takes place next **Mon Nov 21st**, afterschool in Room 108. Hope to see you there!

VOLUNTEERS FOR TONIGHT'S SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

Would all students who volunteered for the Shopping Night tonight, **Thur Nov 17th** please attend a quick meeting right after school in the Career Resource Centre. A quick explanation of your duty for the evening will be provided. If you have Charles Best spirit wear, please wear it to volunteer. If you have any questions please see Ms. Thomas ASAP

CHIPATI SALE

Come try some authentic Kenyan food. For \$2.00, you can get a Chipati, which is a traditional flatbread. As a school we have been able to share our culture with Denis and Allan, now let them share some of their culture with you. We will be in the front foyer all day tomorrow, **November 18th**.

PERU 2018

Interested in travelling with the school to Peru during spring break of next year. If so, today, **Thursday November 17th** please come during your lunch break, to Room 102 at the beginning of Blocks 2 and 3, and Room 101 at the beginning of Blocks 4 & 5, for more information! If you are not in Spanish this year, you can still come as long as you take a Spanish course next year.

GRADE 9 IMMUNIZATIONS

Any Grade 9 students, who have not received an immunization form, please come to the office to pick one up.

PETS IN NEED

As of today, we only have a few pet items for the needy animals. Come on BEST lets be the best by helping our needy friends. I am hoping each student can bring at least 1 pet item to my room, by the 24th. The SPCA is desperate for blankets, towels, dog and cat food. PLEASE SHOW YOU CARE

SPORTS

JR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Please get your uniforms and money in to Mrs. O'Neill ASAP. We will look to have our wind up on Tuesday November 22ND.

GRADE 12'S

VISIT TO SFU'S FRENCH DEPARTMENT

All grade 12 French immersion students interested in the organized visit to SFU's French department are to meet in Mr. Hakeem's room (405) today, **Thursday November 17th** in Block 3.

UBC ENGINEERING/APPLIED SCIENCE OPEN HOUSE

Applied Scientists Save the World – come and find out how.

Join us, **Sat, Nov 26, 2016 from 10am to 4pm**. Open to all high school students – The School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture and the School of Nursing will be hosting afternoon events. Engineering departments and programs will have presentations, lab tours, demos, presentations.

Grade 10-12 girls are invited to attend an informative lunch: **Eng*Cite Lunch for Grade 10-12 Girls at the Open House**, further info at www.engineering.ubc.ca/openhouse or www.apsc.ubc.ca/openhouse

LOOKING FOR A GRAD DRESS?

Are you starting to look for your Grad Dress? Check this site out, <https://twitter.com/Dressew>

UPCOMING POST SECONDARY VISITS TO BEST

U of Alberta, **November 18**, 12:30 Career Centre

McGill **November 25**, 3:10 in the Library

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*******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.

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.

STUDENTS THAT ARE LATE OR LEAVING EARLY

Please remember that when you are late (even for a minute) you MUST sign in at the office. This also applies to those students whose parents have phoned them in late. Also if you need to leave the school early for any reason,

YOU MUST sign out at the office with parents’ permission – a note, phone call or email.

*****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.