



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, November 24, 2016

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

ADVISORY BELL SCHEDULE

Block 1	8:20-9:40
Block 2	9:44-11:03
Block 3	11:07-12:20
ADVISORY	12:24-12:32
Block 4	12:36-1:49
Block 5	1:53-3:12

REPORT CARDS GO HOME TODAY

November 24, 2016, there is an **Advisory Schedule** today so students can pick up their Report Cards.

BE A SANTA FOR A SENIOR

Sign up is in the Main Foyer during blocks 2-5 from Nov 23rd onwards. Buy a new present for a Senior and make this Christmas extra special.

PI OF THE TIGER BAKE SALE

Come help support Pi of the Tiger's Grade 5 Math Camp at our bake sale **Nov 29 & 30** during blocks 2, 3 & 4. Cupcakes \$1.25, Squares \$1.00 and Donuts \$1.50. Thank you for your support.

WISH NETWORK SOCIETY

Next **Tues Nov 29th**, come buy a brownie from the WISH network society in support of terminally ill children at Eagle Ridge Hospital.

PERU 2018

Any students interested in participating in the Peru 2018 spring break trip, there is an important parent and student information session on **Monday, Nov. 28th** at 7 pm in room 102. This meeting is open to all students however, students who want to participate must be willing to enroll in a Spanish class next year.

METFEST

Best Players presents. "Tragically Funny", six one act plays.
Play runs **Nov 22-26**, doors open at 7:00 play starts at 7:30pm.
Tickets are \$12.00 for Adults and \$10.00 for Students and Seniors.
Tickets are available in the office and at the door.

AUDITIONS FOR THE SPRING MUSICAL

Auditions for the Spring Musical, Bye Bye Birdie are in 2 weeks. If you would like to audition for this show make sure to sign-up for an audition spot. The link to the sign-up and all of the audition material is on Mr. Hughes' sharepoint site. If you have any questions please see Mr. Case or Mr. Hughes.

ORLANDO TRIP

Orlando meeting today, **Thursday November 24th** at 3:20 in Room 202.
We are doing hotel rooms so please be there.

WORLD WILDLIFE FUND

Are you passionate about helping animals & protecting the environment? If so, come to Room 304 Tuesday mornings at 7:45 to join WWF Club. We will be doing monthly fundraisers to support endangered species as well as helping animals in our own community. First meeting **Tues Nov 29th**. Hope to see you there!

PETS IN NEED

All donations for PETS IN NEED should be dropped off to Heather by **Monday November 28th** at the latest. We are greatly in need of blankets and food

SPIIN-PETITION WEEK

A Petition against Seal clubbing and also a petition in support of the education of Syrian children will be available for signing. Please come to the front foyer all this week until Friday to sign them and support these important causes.

MS FREEBORN IS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU IN THE CAREER RESOURCE CENTRE –

Mondays, Wednesdays and every second Friday

Please visit! Questions and discussion related to post-secondary education, scholarship opportunities and career exploration always welcome!

COMPUTER AND ROBOTICS PROGRAM

"The Computer and Robotics Program at SD43 Confucius Institute will have a free workshop on **Saturday, November 26** at Winslow Center (1100 Winslow Ave, Coquiltam) from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. The workshop will have one of B.C.'s experienced STEM teachers Henry Ho giving a lecture on Robotics Programming using the VEX IQ Robotics platform. Henry will give a hands-on demo, showing students how to use VEX IQ and giving an intro to robotics systems. A Q&A session will follow the demo. The workshop will also provide information on the Technovation Challenge, a competition sponsored by Google and Microsoft and designed to guide girls in becoming technology entrepreneurs. Workshops offered by the Computer and Robotics Program are free to the public and aim to build a vibrant community of technology education and entrepreneurship in SD43. Workshop space is limited. Email Lucie Wee at sd43computers@gmail.com with the participant name, grade and school to register, and you will receive a confirmation response. Please contact sd43computers@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming involved as a future speaker or workshop leader."

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT OUR ENVIRONMENT?

Do you believe in recycling?

If you answered yes, then come to the first **RECYCLERS** meeting this **Wednesday November 23rd** at 3:15 pm in Heather's room (Youth Worker) across from the cooking room.

GRADE 9'S RETURN IMMUNIZATIONS FORMS

Please get your completed and signed Immunization form in to the office ASAP.

SPORTS

SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB

Registration is based on "first come first served".

Please bring your registration form to Mr. Major ASAP. Your club t-shirt should arrive this week!

JR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL WIND UP-NOTE DATE CHANGE

Please get your uniforms and money in to Mrs. O'Neill ASAP, **2 more** still need to be handed in
The new date for our wind up will be on **Tuesday November 29th**.

GRADE 11 & 12

RCMP TRAINING FOR YOUTH

"Police Youth Academy" applications are available in the Career Centre for interested grade 11 and grade 12 students. Completed applications are due no later than **December 2nd** for the April 2017 start date.

GRADE 12'S

REMINDER:-MCGILL VISIT

A rep from **McGill** will be here this **Friday, November 25th** – Plan to attend at 3:10 in the library!

LOOKING FOR A GRAD DRESS?

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

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.