IE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, February 09, 2017

Today is Day 2

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

GENERAL

PLEASE SEE MRS. BUTEAU (NEW VICE PRINCIPAL)

Would the following students please see Mrs. Buteau (new vice principal) in Block 3 regarding outstanding assignments from Semester 1 for Take Your Child to Work Day... Hamish Muttersbach, Ethan Belanger, Haley Wiebe, Tania Olstrom, Riley Shaughnessy, Milin Pawar Rachel Smith, Claire Tatham, Brianna Stockton and Phoebe Longley

AP EXAMS

Students who want to write the AP exam please pay \$140.00 by cheque in the office by March 5th.

COME ON DOWN TO THE SUGAR SHACK EXTRAORINARE

Tomorrow, Friday Feb, 10th in room 105 come buy a delicious treat! Carrot cake, rice krispie squares, brownies and a gluten free option will be available. Sold between blocks 2-4. We hope to see you then

SINGING GRAMS

Serenade a friend or a special someone with a Singing Gram! \$2.00 for a singing gram and \$1 for a Candy Gram. On Sale in the front foyer today, Thurs Feb 9th and Fri Feb 10th.

PLANS PINK LEMONADE AND LOLLIPOP SALE

Today, **Thursday February 9**th, Plan Club will be selling pink lemonade and lollipops in the front foyer.

GRADWEAR AND SPIRITWEAR

Final sale for this school year Feb 1-28 on our website under Quick Links, don't miss out, last chance!

VOLUNTEER WITH FORCE OF NATURE

In support of environmental issues. www.forceofnaturealliance.ca

TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

Abbotsford TradeX, Wednesday, April 5th, 2017 Register early! http://www.skillscanada.bc.ca/programs/tradestech-for-women/

POETRY IN VOICE

One week (Feb 16) until the Poetry in Voice competition.

Competitors-drop by the Library after school to get used to using the mic.

GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER IS HERE AT BEST!

Buy gift cards for birthday presents, Mother's/Father's Day, coaches gifts, Grad gifts or where you like to shop and the school will receive the profits! Help us buy another picnic table, bulletin boards and silk flowers for Graduation and Awards night and other projects around the school. All you have to do is go to the school website under Quick Links and look for the Gift Card Tab.

YEARBOOKS - THERE IS A LIMITED QUANTITY LEFT

If you are wanting to purchase a yearbook, make sure to get yours ordered ASAP! There is a limited quantity left so don't miss out. If you are not sure if you already bought one, see the list that is posted on the Cafeteria windows.

SPORTS

SENIOR AND JUNIOR BADMINTON TRYOUTS

Senior and Junior Badminton tryouts are tomorrow, Friday morning, from 6:30am-8am in the big gym. Please wear appropriate gear and footwear and bring a racket. See Mr. Chang or Ms. Cowie if you have any questions.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE- EVER HEARD OF IT?

Anyone interested in playing Ultimate Frisbee this year please attend a meeting on Tuesday February 14th in Room 101. We hope to see you there!

TRACK AND FIELD

Track and Field is starting on February 28th. You love to run, jump or throw, come and meet Mrs. Harding and Mr. Gant today, Thursday in the Small Gym at 3:15PM. We will answer questions; discuss important dates and additional practice times. Looking forward to seeing you there.

GRADE 12'S

THE ROTARY STUDENT CITIZEN PROGRAM

Held In Ottawa from Apr 30 to May 2 2017. One applicant per school for consideration. See Mrs. HW /check the Career Centre page for criteria and application. **Deadline Feb 13th**, presentation Feb. 15th.

DID YOU MISS THE SCHOLARSHIP MEETING?

Go to the Career Centre for the digital files under the Financial Aid tab. Hard copies will be in the Career Centre. Upcoming Deadlines:

Feb. 15th - BCSSA, Coquitlam Foundation Scholarships, BC Pathway to Teacher Education, UNBC Tuition Award

Feb 28th – RBC Students Leading Change Scholarship, BCCPAC Education Award

PLEASE VISIT MS.IMPELLEZZERE IN THE CAREER RESOURCE ROOM ON TUESDAYS

"The following students have been identified as working part-time in the trades and are eligible for additional high school credits and a \$1000 scholarship. Please visit Ms.Impellezzere in the Career Resource room on **Tues Feb 14**th **between 9:00am-11:30am** or e-mail her at <u>aimpellezzere@sd43.bc.ca</u>"

Timothy Gudz, Dimo Bakas, Kim Jeeyu, Meghan Huffman, Gabriel Ferron, Stephen Crnogorac, Adi Kai, Cam Poynton, Robert Cranidge, Cole MacMillann, Josh Dean, Chase Hartley, Ryan Khorrami, Sean Cotnoir, Marcus Morandin, Jaeden Haney, Parker Lidiard, Aidan Stroup and Liam Sheather

GRAD COUNCIL MEETING-SEE NEW DATE

The Grad Council Meeting is next **Wednesday, Feb 15th** @ 3:20 in room 101. Many important agenda items and timelines need to be discussed.

SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY INFORMATION

SFU INFO SESSION – Fri Feb 15th after school in the LIBRARY. Assn. (\$1,000) - Deadline Feb. 9, 2017. <u>www.bcssa.org</u> BCSTA SCHOLARSHIP for student citizenship. (\$500) <u>www.bcsta.org</u> Deadline March 3, 2017 BCGUE SCHOLARSHIP - BC Gov't and Service Employees Union –(\$3,000) Deadline March 12, 2017 <u>www.bcgue.ca</u> EAGLE RIDGE AUX. BURSARY – (\$1,000). Health care studies/ Deadline March 31st, 2017. <u>www.erha.ca</u> RETAIL AS A CAREER SCHOLARSHIP – Deadline March 31st, 2017. BC SOCCER SCHOLARSHIPS – <u>www.bcsoccer.net</u> Deadline March 31st, 2017

ORDERING TRANSCRIPTS

If you require a transcript, please allow 2-3 days for processing. Fill out a pink transcript request form in the office at Ms. Meston's desk.

GRAD WRITE-UPS

Please go to <u>http://www.bigsasquatch.com</u> to complete your grad write ups.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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.

<u>***VAPORIZERS – AN ADDITION TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT***</u> 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 <u>that vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at</u> <u>school under any circumstances</u>. 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.

****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 a social gathering place.

LITTER IN THE HALLWAYS

Students are reminded to clean up after themselves. It is a continual challenge to keep our school clean for all of us given that lunch hours take place all day long. Please pick up after yourself and your friends. Remember, we have garbage, bottle recycle, paper recycle and organics bins in regular locations throughout the building. Let's all PITCH IN together!