



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, April 06, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

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

GENERAL

LOST AND FOUND

Have you lost anything lately, go to the Lost and Found table and check it out. All items will be taken to Share on Thursday April 13, after school.

FOUND IN THE LIBRARY

A tablet pen was found in the library Wednesday. Come to the library to describe if it's yours.

EASTER FUNDRAISER

Do you ever have cravings for candies and chocolate? Do you wish that your money was donated to a good cause? Then you'll be happy to hear that the Key Club is doing an Easter Fundraiser! We will be selling Hi-Shews for 25 cents each or 5 for \$1.00. You will also have the opportunity to guess the amount of chocolate in the jar. The closest guess gets it all! All proceeds go towards the Kiwanis Children's Cancer Program to aid in their goal to fight and find a cure to for Children's cancer.

CHARLES BEST MIRACLE MOVEMENT - THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Want to have some fun while supporting a great cause? Charles Best Miracle Movement is hosting its second annual event on **Thursday, April 20** from 3:30-8:30pm! This year's cultural theme features food, performances, music, dancing, prizes and more from different regions around the world. Tickets are only \$5/person, which includes FREE cultural food samples, but bring money to the event for food from the concession and the raffle. Get your tickets April 10-20 in the front foyer or register online at www.helpmakemiracles.ca/event/CBSS2017. Sign up in a group of 5 or more for a chance to win an exclusive prize.

All proceeds go towards BC Children's Hospital. Donations are encouraged and prizes will be awarded to the top donors!

KENYA TRIP 2018

Remember Allan and Denis, the two Kenyan students who visited Charles Best? Would you like to learn about Kenyan culture, wildlife and student life? Charles Best is planning a school trip to Kenya in July of 2018. There will be a short information meeting after school on **Friday April 7th** in room 309 (computer lab). Please see Ms. Martin, Ms. Royle or Ms. Stuart if you have any questions.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Global Change for Children a local non-profit is looking for a Facebook and Social Media volunteer. Promote events, post photos, say thank to sponsors! Email Helen at helenmp@telus.net with Volunteer Posting and YOUR NAME in the subject line. Send a brief outline of your experience and interests.

YEARBOOKS – LESS THAN 30 LEFT

If you want to purchase a yearbook, make sure to get yours ordered ASAP!
There are LESS THAN 30 left so don't miss out!!!

COOKIES WITH COULSON

The student forum will take place today, **Wed, April 12th** at 3:20 in the cafeteria. If you have anything you would like to ask or discuss with Mrs. Coulson about the school programs, facilities, events, etc. please feel free to drop by for a cookie and some conversation. As always, if you have any pressing concerns or questions you can drop by the office anytime to meet with Mrs. Coulson.

HYDE CREEK WATERSHED SOCIETY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Attend an open house and learn about opportunities – **April 22nd** See the Career Page for more information.

PEDALHEADS SUMMER CAMP NEEDS EMPLOYEES (17+) AND VOLUNTEERS (GR. 8 & 9)

Direct link to application is here: <https://form.jotformpro.com/AtlantisandPedalheads/2017-GVRD-PH-Application>
Details on Career Centre Page - **APPLY ASAP - SPOTS FILL QUICKLY**

VISUALS FOR OUR SKILL DEVELOPMENT STUDENTS

You might notice our Skill Development students posting picture visuals around the school this week. These are meant to assist students throughout the day who need support transitioning through the school. Please do not remove these pictures, and if you see one that has fallen down, please give to the classroom teacher to put back up.

YOUTH AT THE BOOTH – ELECTIONS BC

Students (15 – 19 yrs) in good standing with good attendance and who meet all the criteria, can apply, and if selected, earn \$215 per day working for Elections BC!
Applications, job descriptions and criteria are available in the career centre and counselling area. An excellent opportunity! Don't delay! Apply Today! Submit applications to Mr. Chang or Ms. HW.

FARMERS MARKET - VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION

Need volunteer hours? Learn about volunteer opportunities with the Coquitlam Farmers Market on **Wednesday, April 12th** at 7 pm at the Coquitlam Public Library, Poirier Branch. RSVP at events@makebakegrow.com

SFU – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Students must be 14+, commit to two weeks. See info and application on the Career Centre Page <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/charlesbest/ProgramsServices/career/Pages/EmploymentVolunteering.aspx>

ENCOUNTERS WITH CANADA:

Would you like to spend a week next school year in Ottawa (including transportation, lodging, meals and more) for only **\$675**? If your answer is “Yes” and you have permission from your parents, please see Mr. Chang (counselor) a.s.a.p. Spaces are limited so acceptance is on a first-come-first-served basis. There are 14 different theme weeks available.

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.

SPORTS

SENIOR BADMINTON TEAM

Despite some solid playing, the senior badminton team saw their undefeated streak come to an end on Tuesday when they lost to both Port Moody and perennial #1 Pinetree. Yolanda Chang did go undefeated against Port Moody in singles and then with Jimmy Cheng in mixed doubles. Congrats to the team for finishing 3rd in league play! Next up are district playoffs.

CONGRATULATIONS JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER:

Congratulations to the WHOLE team for a fantastic game on Tuesday beating Heritage Woods 6-0! Great goals were scored by: Jessica Lau, Cameron Wynnes, Megan Archibold, Ella MacKinnon and Marina Verones. Next game is today, **Thursday @ 3:45 @ Town Centre Stadium – Cunnings Field. Early dismissal will be at 2:45.** Players, please check with your teachers about dismissal every game day. Also, if you need a ride to the field, please make sure you see Ms. Fournier or Ms. Burnham. **Meet in the front foyer @ 2:55.**

GRADE 12'S

COLLEGE PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Students who reside in College Park and meet the criteria may apply. See the Career Resource Page.

ASSOCIATION OF BC DRAMA EDUCATORS SCHOLARSHIP

Due May 31st – See the Career Resource Page for application.

MAILLARDVILLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Bursary available to residents of Maillardville only. See Mrs. HW in the career centre on Friday for the application.

uSASK DEADLINE FOR FALL ADMISSION

While the deadlines to apply to enter most of uSask's colleges in the 2017 Fall Term (September) have passed, the **College of Arts and Science** continues to accept **applications**.

Deadline to apply for Canadian citizens and permanent residents: **May 1, 2017**

2017 LLCS (LOTUS LIGHT CHARITY SOCIETY) SCHOLARSHIP

Due **May 15, 2017**; 6 awards of \$500 available based on academic and community service. See Career Centre for details and specific criteria. All applications must be submitted via **postal mail** or **drop-off** (i.e. no email submissions, no fax submissions).

EFMABC BURSARIES

Students whose parents are School District Employees in maintenance or custodial may apply. See Mrs. HW for the application and additional criteria. Due Date **April 30/17**.

NOMINATION FORMS FOR VALEDICTORIAN OF THE 2017

The nomination forms for valedictorian of the 2017 grad class **will be available April 4th** and will be due April 19th. The valedictorian gives the final address to his or her peers at the commencement Ceremony on June 10. Forms can be picked up at the office. For additional information, please see Mrs. Buteau, Ms. John or Ms. Thomas

GRADE 12 COMMENCEMENT SONGS

Attention all 2017 Grads, each year you are responsible for choosing “commencement songs”. Should you wish to nominate songs for your commencement ceremony, please come to room 101 and write down your ideas. There will be a list outside of room 101. We suggest that these songs should be “timeless”, rather than something that is popular right now. The songs will be chosen by the grad council once ideas are provided.

GRAD DINNER DANCE PLAYLIST

Attention all 2017 Grads, are there songs you would like to hear at Grad dinner/dance in June? If so, please come by room 101 and outside the door you will find a song request sheet. If you don't request songs, you may end up with TOP 40 only. Request songs you know will get you and your fellow classmates out on the dance floor!

BC TECH SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the BC Tech Scholarship are now open! Deadline to apply: 11:59PM PT on May 10, 2017. APPLY ONLINE. <http://www.wearebctech.com/talent/educational-institutions/bc-tech-scholarship> *Eligible disciplines include Engineering, Computer Science, Entrepreneurship, Biotech, Cleantech, IT & Applied Technology, Business & Technology Management, Product Management, Digital Media, and other technical programs.* Additional requirements include 3.2 GPA, permanent resident, landed immigrant or citizen of Canada, references, resume and essay.

COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB – ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Students intending to apply for this 'External Scholarship' (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) can now pick up an application form from the Career Centre in person or online: Financial Aid/Scholarships. Criteria are: financial need and service to others in the community, church or school or other organization. **Deadline:** submit applications to the Career Centre by noon, **April 24/2017.**

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION LADIES' AUXILIARY BURSARY APPLICATION

Students interested in applying for this \$500 'External Scholarship' (listed in the Local Scholarship Package) can now pick up an application form. Criteria: financial need, good academic achievement, must be resident in Port Moody or Coquitlam to apply. **Due Date: April 28/2017.**

AL GRIST BC HYDRO ENVIRONMENT AWARD

A \$500 scholarship is offered to a School District 43 grad entering a post-secondary environmental stewardship program in the fall of 2017; studies may include forestry, agriculture, fisheries, environmental management, or similar studies. Application details are online at www.pcdhfc.com/notice.htm

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 <http://www.bigsasquatch.com> 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.

*****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.

*****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!