HE "BEST" INFORMER



Wednesday, December 13, 2017

Today is Day 1

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

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE FOR GO CARD PICK UP

Would the following students please come to the office to pick up their Go Cards. Maranda Cherry, Beck Zhang, Grace Finnigan and Taylor Cherry.

PSAT EXAM RESULTS

Students who wrote the PSAT can get their results from Mrs. John in the counselling office.

DISTRICT PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

The finals of the District Public Speaking Competition was held at Terry Fox Theatre on Thursday December 7th. We had several winners in a number of different categories.

GRADE 12 - FORMAL SPEECHES CATEGORY

Katie Graf - Gold Medal, Omrom Samadi - Silver Medal, Anika Kim - Silver Medal, Kaitlyn Daly - Silver Medal

Julie Cox - Bronze Medal

GRADE 10 - THIS I BELIEVE CATEGORY

Juliana Nunes - Silver Medal, Alessandra Reddekopp - Bronze Medal

GRADE 10 - SLAM POETRY CATEGORY

Evan Stewart - Silver Medal

An amazing showing from Best!

REPORT CARD PICK UP

There are still a number of students that have not picked up their Report Cards. If you didn't get yours yet please come to the office to pickt it up. Thanks.

SENIOR SANTA

Reminder for those who have sponsored a Senior Citizen for Christmas please bring in your wrapped gifts to the office by Friday, Dec 15 with their name and room number on the parcel.

KRISPY KREME PICK UP

Did you order doughnuts during the Key Club's pre sale? Then listen up! You can pick up your doughnuts today, Wed Dec 13th during blocks 4 & 5 in the front foyer. Don't forget to bring ID.

SPORTS

SKI AND SNOWBOARD-3 SPOTS HAVE OPENED UP

A couple spots have become available, one is for March 4/18 and two spots opened up for March 11/18 these can only be paid by cheque to Charles Best for \$110.00. Please see Mr. Major to pick up a registration form.

GRADE 12's

CAREER CENTRE

Scholarships are added regularly. Be sure to visit the online career centre for new listings, information and links!

GRADE 12 GRAD GOWN SIZE FORM

If you still have not handed in your form for your grad gown size please complete and return to Mrs. Zanatta in the office. Please don't fill out a duplicate form. Blank forms are available in the office.

JANUARY EXAM SCHEDULE				
Monday, January 15 Regular Day	Tuesday, January 16 Regular Day	Wed., January 17 Regular Day	Thursday, January 18 <i>Regular Day</i>	Friday, January 19 Last Day of Regular Classes for Semester One
Monday, January 22 9's CE Presentation 10:45-12:00 (all grade 9's to attend) Open Tutorials	Tuesday, January 23 Numeracy Exam for Grade 10's am – Students A to L pm – Students M to Z Open Tutorials	Wed., January 24 Numeracy Exam for Grade 11's am – Students A to Le pm – Students Li to Z Open Tutorials	Thursday, January 25 ENG 12 (9am) GT – Exit interviews Open Tutorials	Friday, January 26 <i>Grade 8 Walkabout</i> COMM 12 (9am) FRAL 12 (1pm)
Monday, January 29 School Pro-D Day	Tuesday, January 30 Semester 2 begins Regular Day	Wed., January 31	Thursday, February 1 Report Cards home	Friday, February 2

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.

****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.

STUDENT DROP OFFS

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

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.

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!

<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 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.