LE "BEST" INFORMER



Monday, February 19, 2018

Today is Day 1

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

GENERAL

SAFETY CONCERNS

During snow days, even if the sidewalks have not been cleared, please remember to stay on the sidewalks. By walking on the road your are jeopardizing your safety.

Remember:

Don't walk on the road or ice patches, face traffic, unplug, be aware, be safe and wear appropriate clothing for the weather with reflectors if possible.

LOST AND FOUND

All items from the Lost and Found will be on tables by the Career Resource room from today until Thurs Feb 22nd. After that it will all be donated.

BUBBLE TEA SALE

Students 4 Students is having a bubble tea pre sale today, **Mon Feb 19**th, pick up is on **Feb 22**nd during blocks 2-5 for both days. We now accept debit and cash, all proceeds go towards sending kids to school.

SFU INFO TABLE

SFU Camps visit today in the front foyer.

PLEASE GO TO LRC ROOM 215

Would the following students come to the LRC in room 215 to pick up your semester 1 art work from Mr. Eccles: Tova Belsher, Talia Mazzachio, Zachary Padmore, Kristina Emelyanova, Michelle Dent, Olivia Wynn-Dulvy and Shaelyn Vocat,

AP EXAMS AT BEST

Grade 11 and 12 Students can register to write the AP Exams at Best. Please register by paying \$160/exam in the office by Feb. 28th. For further information, please contact Mrs. John in the counselling office.

EXPLORE AVIATION SUMMER CAMP - FOR GIRLS ENTERING GRADE 10- GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Are you a female student interested in AVIATION? This all expenses paid summer camp may be for you! 20 bursaries from NAV Canada are available. Camp is held in Cornwall Ontario, July 15 – 20th. Visit the Career Centre/Opportunities or http://navcanada.ca/EN/careers/Pages/Explore-Aviation-Summer-Camp.aspx

FRANCE TRIP SPRING BREAK 2019

Applications for the France/Belgium 2019 trip are due today, **Feb. 19**. These applications are necessary to secure your spot on the trip. So don't miss out! Applications can be picked up at the main office, at the language office and from Mme Bruneau or Mme Manolis.

YEARBOOK PHOTOS

If you are new to the school as of Nov 1/17 or didn't have your picture taken and want your picture in the yearbook. Please see Mr. O'Reilly in Room 216 in the mornings.

SPORTS

WRESTLING

Congratulations to Wilson Tu and Alex Darts both Lower Fraser Valley Champions. Emily Lam & Matteo Fogolin both qualified for provincials as well in 2 weeks.

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

Our Senior boys Basketball team takes on Centennial at Semiahmoo in Fraser Valley action tonight at 6:30pm The "fan bus" will leave Best at 5:00. Sign up will be posted in the main foyer.

Fans, as always, ensure you have parent permission to ride the bus and remember that all school rules are in effect.

TRACK & FIELD

Anyone interested in joining the Track & Field team please attend a short information meeting **Tuesday, Feb 20th** at 3:20 in room 301. If you cannot attend, but are still interested in running, jumping, and throwing, please see Mr. Gant.

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

Try out session for tomorrow has been cancelled. The first tryout will now take palce on Wed Feb 21 after school in the main gym. Proper indoor footwear is mandatory. Please, see Mr. Napoletano if you have any issues.

ICE HOCKEY

Attn: Grades 10-12 Charles Best Ice Hockey is starting soon. Meeting Thurs Feb 22. See Mr. Last in Room 206.

SOCCER TRYOUTS FOR GRADE 9 & 10 GIRLS

Soccer tryouts for girls in grades 9 and 10 will be held **Tuesday, February 27th**, at Hillcrest grass field, and Friday, March 9th at our turf field. Please attend a brief information meeting in the small gym on **Tuesday February 20th** right after school if you are interested in attending tryouts. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please see Mrs. Burnham or Mme Fournier to sign up for tryouts.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB

Two spots are still available for March 11th

GRADE 12

BOSA CENTRE FOR FILM & ANIMATION OPEN HOUSE - CAPILANO U

Saturday, February 24, 2018 11:00 AM to 3:00 pm. Campus: North Vancouver Website: <u>School of Motion Picture Arts</u> <u>http://www.capilanou.ca/smpa/</u>

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</u> <u>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.