



# THE "BEST" INFORMER



**Wednesday, April 4, 2018**

Today is **Day 1**

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

## GENERAL

### POETRY IN VOICE-CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Juliana Nunes.

She is one of 12 students from across Canada who will compete in the National Poetry in Voice Championships April 17-20 in Toronto.

### FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARDS AT CHARLES BEST

Looking for a gift for Mother's Day, Coaches, Grads, Birthdays, Anniversaries, team party, clubs or Father's Day look no further! We have the fundraiser at Charles Best: Fundscrip Gift Cards. Buy cards for where you normally shop or dine (grocery stores, clothing, restaurants, etc.) and our school will profit! You can buy cards online on our school's webpage <https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/4656/108/False/True> all purchases made by **April 26** will be here at the school to pick up the first week of May. All cards are shipped directly to the school!

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: PROGRAM FEE DEADLINE IS COMING SOON

**April 15th ..... September Start**

When payment is received at the International Education office at Winslow by the deadline date, space in School District No. 43 is assured. In the event payment is not received by the 5th working day after the deadline a late fee of \$500.00 is required. Please see Mrs. Joba, of Mrs. Xie tomorrow (Friday) morning if you have any questions before Spring Break.

## SPORTS

### SENIOR BADMINTON

In league action on Tuesday, the senior badminton team won against Centennial and lost against Gleneagle. Jimmy Cheng continued his dominance by going undefeated in boy's singles and then winning with Yolanda Chang in mixed doubles against Centennial. Taryn Chang and Rannie Xiong went undefeated in doubles. Claire Song/Emily Lam and Chris Cheng/Leo Peng also won matches in doubles. Great team effort!

### JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER

First game of the season is on **Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>** at Terry Fox Secondary. All players need to check with their teachers for an **early dismissal at 2:35pm**. Please see Ms. Fournier or Ms. Burnham ASAP if you need a ride to the game. Also, **ALL players need to be registered and have paid their fees through Karelo in order to play on Thursday.**

### ATTENTION CHARLES BEST HOCKEY TEAM.

Schedule is out and we will have a brief meeting **Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>** in room 206 at 3:20. If you can't make the meeting please see Ms. Jenkins or Mr. Last.

## GRADE 12

### VALEDICTORIAN 2018

Grade 12's, do you want to represent your grad class at commencement?

If you are interested in being this year's valedictorian, application forms can be picked up in the office starting April 4<sup>th</sup>. The last day to apply for this will be April 11<sup>th</sup>.

### GRADE 12 CHECKLIST

- ✓ Make sure you complete your student transcript service PSI Selections **"Send interim and final marks when available"** If your Post-secondary Institutions do not receive your interim and **FINAL** marks you will not be able to enrol! You may not have done this step correctly! Log back in and repeat if you are unsure.
- ✓ Prepare to submit the Local Scholarship Package. Incomplete or late packages will not be accepted. **Due: Friday April 6<sup>th</sup>**
- ✓ Keep checking the career centre page throughout April, May and June. More Scholarships will be posted.
- ✓ Visit financial aid pages of the schools you may be admitted to search their scholarships.
- ✓ Explore <http://www.studentaidbc.ca> if you are applying for funds. Familiarized yourself with the site and requirements.

### 2018 GRADS PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Spring is almost here and so is grad season. Grads of 2018 please save the dates:

**April 4<sup>th</sup>**- Valedictorian nominations available in the office. Do you want to represent your grad class at commencement? If so, you need to fill out the nomination form and hand it in by April 11

**April 19<sup>th</sup>**- Mandatory Grad Assembly, period 2, in the large gym where you will get important grad information, choose your valedictorian and grad song. Grad guest forms will also become available

**June 8<sup>th</sup>**-Commencement rehearsal, period 5, large gym

**June 9<sup>th</sup>**-Commencement

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** - French Leaving Ceremony, 1-3 pm

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Grad Dinner and Dance followed by After grad

### **ALL CAP AND GOWN PHOTOS NOW DUE**

All cap and gown photos are due to Mr. O'Reilly before **April 6th** and the following are missing. Having a Cap and Gown photo is not a requirement and your Grade 12 photo will be used in a replacement, but this is the last chance if you want it in yearbook:

Cecilia Balsamo, Andrea Bernardini, Marc Quera, Kevin Brazil, Ariona Curiel, Anthony Goncharov, Peter Huang, Dasha Kamalova, Utsav Jani, Noemi Kaminski, Anthony Kita, Michael Legovini, Mark Liu, Miguel Llanto, Raya Loutcheva, Caroline Lu, Yi Lyu, Ahmad Moaaz, Adrian Roberts, Andy Su, Christopher Susanto, Jie Tang, Kaley Wilson, Hanxiang Xu, Jerry Yao, Tina Yue, David Zhang

### **LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGES**

The deadline to submit COMPLETED applications is **Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018** by 3:30 pm. Late applications will not be accepted. Ensure to request a letter from your reference ASAP! Application posted under documents on link above.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

### **WHEN CROSSING COMO LAKE**

To all students:

Please remember to use the crosswalks and obey all traffic lights when crossing Como Lake.

### **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 you 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.

### **\*\*\*\*\*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!

### **\*\*\*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.