HE "BEST" INFORMER



Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Today is Day 1

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

GENERAL

WELCOME BACK WE WISH YOU A VERY SUCCESSFUL **SCHOOL YEAR**

PROVICIAL EXAM RESULTS

The June 2018 Graduation Numeracy Assessment (GNA) results are now available. Students can access their results and GNA student report at www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca.

A "LOVE FOOD, HATE WASTE" YOUTH LEADERSHIP CLINIC

Exploring Ideas, Strategies and Actions and to achieve zero-waste @ school Saturday, September 29, 2018 - 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Metro Vancouver Head Office, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C

Join other high school students who are passionate about sustainability, food systems and waste reduction.

Participants will:

· discover the impact of our daily food and waste choices explore- how waste is managed by School Districts and by Metro Vancouver -- visit and tour a Metro Vancouver waste management facility- explore innovative ideas to create sustainable food systems change & waste reduction at schools and in communities- enjoy a zero waste lunch. Bring your ideas for action! See Ms. Hamilton or go to: http://www.metrovancouver.org/events/youth-leadership/eventsopportunities/Pages/default.aspx

MIRACLE MOVEMENT CLUB FIRST MEETING

Hey Charles Best! Come out and join Miracle Movement in support of BC Children's Hospital! Our club raises money through various small fundraisers and advocates for pediatric health through awareness campaigns. Our first meeting is on Thursday, September 6 afterschool in the library. Anyone is welcome to drop by and see what it's all about!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

KidSport Tricities is looking for volunteers to help set up and take down the KidSport sale this Friday, September 7 and Saturday, September 8. If you are interested please see Mrs. McKay in the office, BEFORE Thursday September 6, for more details and to sign up! This is a great way to give back to your community and earn volunteer hours towards graduation.

SHEBIZ VANCOUVER ON NOVEMBER 2, 2018 AT SFU!

SheBiz is an all-day, complimentary business conference for young women in grades 9-11, that exposes participants to a wide range of career opportunities in business and STEM, as well as female role models and business leaders who are enthusiastic about their professions. The objective of SheBiz is to encourage more young women to pursue careers in business and STEM and provide an overview of the myriad of opportunities available to them. Registration will open on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 10 am PST at wcm.ca.

SPORTS

GRADE 9 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Grade 9 Girls Volleyball Team try-outs will start on Thursday at 3:30 in the main gym. Please see Mr. McKay or Ms. Howell for more information. Make sure you are in appropriate gym strip and bring a bottle of water.

MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

First meeting Tuesday Sept 11 in the main gym at 3:12 with Mr. Major. Registration for Whistler trip in the Fall.

GRADE 12

GRAD GOWN SIZE FORM

Please fill out your grad gown size form (in feet and inches) and return it to Mrs. Zanatta.

SENIOR SAIL

Senior Sail tickets on sale starting today until Sept 17 on line only! Don't miss this fun event only 308 tickets available for the sail on Sept 20. This event is for Grade 12's only no guests!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Grade 12 Volunteers needed to help with Photo Day, Friday, September 7. Only a few spots available. Please see Mrs. McKay in the office, by Thursday September 6, for more details and to sign up!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

WHEN CROSSING COMO LAKE To all students:

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

*****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 **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.