



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Wednesday January 16, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

GENERAL

LIBRARY NEWS

Matthew Zhao please come to the library today for an important message.

POETRY IN VOICE

Interested in Poetry in Voice? There is a short info meeting @ 3:20 in the library today, **Wed Feb 16th**

PSAT

Students who wrote the PSAT in the fall please see Mrs. John in the Counselling office to get your results.

PROVINCIAL EXAMS

Please review this announcement carefully for important information regarding the upcoming Provincial Exams, **JANUARY 22-25.**

NUMERACY ASSESSMENT

All students enrolled in Math 10 Semester 1, and Grade 11 and 12 students who have not previously written, will be writing the Numeracy Assessment on **Tuesday, January 22** or **Wednesday, January 23**. Please look for your name, exam time (morning or afternoon), and room allocation posted in the front hallway and the library **PRIOR** to exam week.

All students must write in their designated time slot, so make sure you know when you are writing. If your name is not on the list, please see Mrs. McKay as soon as possible.

ENGLISH 12, COMMUNICATIONS 12, AND FRENCH IMMERSION 12

All students writing **English 12, Thursday, January 24 at 8:30 am**, should check their room allocation posted in the front hallway and the library **PRIOR** to exam week.

Communications 12 students will be writing **Friday, January 25 at 8:30 am**. Students writing **FRAL 12** will also write on **Friday, Jan 25 at 12:30 pm**.

Please check the posted lists to confirm your room allocation. If your name is not on the list, please see Mrs. McKay as soon as possible.

It is extremely important that you know the date and time of your exam and the room you are allocated too. All students are asked to arrive **30 minutes** before the exam starts to allow for registration and computer log in. **PHOTO ID** is required by all students and will be checked by invigilators prior to the exam.

January 2019 Exam Schedule

Monday, January 14 Regular Day	Tuesday, January 15 Regular Day	Wed., January 16 Regular Day	Thursday, January 17 Regular Day	Friday, January 18 <i>Last Day of Regular Classes for Semester One</i>
Monday, January 21 9's CE Presentation (9:45-11:00 all grade 9's to attend) <i>Open Tutorials</i> GT – Exit interviews	Tuesday, January 22 *Numeracy Assessment (8:30am & 12:30pm) <i>Open Tutorials</i> GT – Exit interviews	Wed., January 23 9's Digital Literacy Presentation (9:15 – 11am - All Gr9's to attend) *Numeracy Assessment (8:30am only) <i>Open Tutorials</i>	Thursday, January 24 *ENG 12 (9am) <i>Open Tutorials</i>	Friday, January 25 *COMM 12 (9am) *FRAL 12 (1pm) <i>Grade 8 Walkabout</i> (12 – 2:30pm)
Monday, January 28 <i>School Pro-D Day</i>	Tuesday, January 29 <i>Semester 2 begins Regular Day</i>	Wed, January 30	Thursday, January 31 Report Cards go Home	Friday, February 1

***Check the posted lists for dates and times you will be writing assessments/exams**

Numeracy Assessment (Writing Day and Time by Last Name)

- **Tuesday Morning** – Abdollahi – Hamanishi
- **Tuesday Afternoon** – Hamilton – Ni
- **Wednesday Morning** – Nicol - Zhu

PINK SHIRT DAY FEB 28TH

Terry Fox Secondary Leadership classes have designed new black (with pink text) or pink (with black text) anti-bullying T-shirts

Each T-shirt costs \$10 and can be ordered on the website online between January 12 - 28, 2019.

Click on this link to order your shirt <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com/>

Sample sizes are available in the office for you to try.



SPORTS

SENIOR RUGBY BOYS OR GIRLS PLAYERS

There is a rugby meeting for all Senior Rugby Boys or Girls players (new players are welcome) on **Thursday** at 3:15 in Room 114. We need all players at this meeting as we will be discussing our goals for the season and which league to enter. New players please come and sign up or see Mr. Startin for some details.

MISSING SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB REGISTRATION FORMS

Evan Stewart

These forms must be returned by today, **Wednesday, Jan 16** or you won't be able to attend the ski trip! Please hand these completed forms in to the office ASAP.

GRADE 9 FRENCH IMMERSION "SEYMOUR"

Mandatory meeting tomorrow, **Thurs Jan 17** after school in our small gym with Mr. Major. Please see Mr. Major if you can't make it. Let it Snow!!

GRADE 11 & 12

GRAD TRANSITIONS

Grad Transitions documents should now be submitted on OneNote. Please sign up for an exit interview. Sign up sheet can be found outside the career/tech center. Semester 2 grad transitions will be due April 15, 2019.

WESTERN NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Students who would like to be considered for a nomination for the Western National Scholarship Program please submit a brag sheet to Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by **Friday, January 18** at 3pm. 4 students can be nominated.

APPLICATIONS TO POST SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Grade 12 students who have applied to post secondary schools please remember to submit your transcripts through the student transcripts service website.

Students who submitted their UBC online application after December 3 must provide UBC with their Personal Education Number (PEN) and order a transcript via StudentTranscripts.gov.bc.ca by **January 31**.

GRADE 12'S - EXTRA GRADWEAR FOR SALE

Any grade 12s wishing to buy grad wear please see **Ms. Thomas** after school this week in room 101.

The following is available for purchase. **CASH ONLY! HOODIES \$60.00 each**

BLACK – 3x (MEDIUM)

BLACK – 1x (LARGE)

NAVY – 2x (SMALL)

NAVY – 4x (LARGE)

GREY – 1x (LARGE)

4 LANYARDS \$10.00 each

ATTENTION ALL GRADS OF 2019

The Grad Council is looking for pictures of your "school days" with your friends and classmates. These can be pictures during Spirit assemblies, Spirit Days, daily "Best" life, Senior Sail, or even club or team photos. Please ensure your photos are school appropriate. These pictures will be part of the "slide show" during After Grad in June. Start sending your pictures in now...and as the year progresses to: bestpictures2019@gmail.com

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.

****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.