



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday March 14, 2019

TODAY IS DAY 1

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

GENERAL

Today's Bell Schedule

Period 1: 8:20 am – 9:25 am
Period 2: 9:30 am – 10:35 am
Period 3: 10:40 am – 11:45 am
Period 4: 11:50 am – 12:55 pm
Period 5: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Interviews in the Gym

Parent teacher Interviews will be in the Gym from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Dinner break from 5:00 pm – 5:45pm
Interviews continue in the Gym from 5:48 pm – 7:40 pm

CALLING ALL 2019 GRADS – BLACK & LEE FORMAL WEAR

Come into Black and Lee's Coquitlam Showroom before **April 30th, 2019** and book your look with us. You will receive \$20.00 off of a **Premium Rental Package** and we will kick back \$20.00 towards your 2019 Grad Fundraising!

PLAN YOUR SPRING BREAK READING!

Come sign out some great books from the library to read over the break – you can take 5 at a time!! 😊

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Chandra Miller, Troy Cheah and Jessica O'Brien-Visbisky for winning 2nd place in The Regional Poetry in Voice Team Competition Friday here at Best. Many thanks to the judges and the stagecraft crew for making the event fantastic!

SEMESTER 1 HONOR ROLL

The lists are up in the hallway across from the Tech and Career Centre. If your name is not on the list(s) and you think it should be, please see Mrs. Portelance in the office.

MeToWe

Charles Best! Free Iced Tea! Yes you heard it right, MeToWe will be giving out free iced tea today **Thursday March 14th** in spirit of sharing kindness in our school community. Before and after school in the front foyer. Be environmentally supportive and bring your own cup in order to get this great drink!

CELEBRATE SPIRIT WEEK!

This week, **March 11th to the 15th** is SPIRIT WEEK!
Today - Throwback **Thursday** is a throwback to the 80's
And **Friday**, the last day before spring break is PJ day!

SPORTS

TRACK AND FIELD

Practice is cancelled today **March 14th** due to Parent-Teacher interviews.
We will have practices on the first Tuesday back after Spring Break.

TENNIS

Anyone interested in playing tennis this Spring, please see Mr. Choi and sign-up.
Beginners are welcome!

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB-SOME SPOTS AVAILABLE

There are still 6 spots available for **April 7th**.
Please pay the \$105 online in order to secure your spot.
First come, first served.

GRADE 11 & 12's

SCHOLARSHIPS:

NEW: ETHAN CARMICHAEL DENUM FRENCH IMMERSION STUDENT ATHLETIC AWARD

Please see career centre website under financial aid for criteria and apply using the local scholarship application package.
Also a friendly reminder to please submit completed local scholarship packages to
Mr. Chang or Ms. Tsang by 3pm on **Friday April 5th, 2019**.

GRADE 12's

Reminder to make sure your school fees are paid, textbooks/library books returned, and grad transitions are complete in order to purchase grad tickets in early May.

2019 CLASS VALEDICTORIAN

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 1st**. The last day to apply for this will be **April 4th**

GRADE 12 GRADUATION TRANSITION

To all grade 12's submitting Graduation Transition packages through OneNote to Mr. MacDonald, please be sure to check your school e-mail accounts for completion confirmation and feedback.

Second semester Graduation Transitions are due **April 15th**.

DID YOU APPLY TO POST SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Friendly reminder: grade 12 students who applied to post secondary schools, please remember to submit your transcripts using the student transcripts service website: studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca

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.