



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Thursday, February 27, 2020

TODAY IS DAY 1

****Please note: All new items and any changed items are in red.****

****KINDNESS – PAY IT FORWARD****

GENERAL

SUGAR SHACK IS BACK

Come by room 105 today, **Thursday, February 27th** in blocks 2-5 to get our famous carrot cake, brownies, cookies, scones, and more! Cash only please.

ATTENTION GRADE 9's

Reminder-course selection sheets for next year (Grade 10) are due **TODAY!!!**

AP EXAMS REGISTRATION ENDS TODAY

Students wanting to write the AP Exam this May, need to register at the office. The exams are \$160 each. The last day to register is today, **February 27th**. For further information, please see Mrs. John in the Counselling area.

PRO D DAY TOMORROW

There is a Pro D day tomorrow, **Friday February 28th**. Students do not attend, as the school will be closed.

YEARBOOKS GOING FAST!!

Don't miss out, order your yearbook online today. **Less than 44 left!!**

IT'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH

-Have you heard about Leonard Braithwaite? He was the first African Canadian to be elected into Canadian Parliament. On September 25, 1963 he was elected to be a Liberal member for a city in Ontario. He served as part of parliament for 12 years.

-In 1984, Anne Clare Cools became the first Black senator in Canada under Prime Minister Pierre Elliot Trudeau. She then retired from the upper chamber on her 75th birthday in 2018.

SD43 STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

This is open to middle and secondary students on **Feb 28** from 8:30 to 2:30pm at Scott Creek Middle, cost- \$15, will feature workshops, surprise keynote speaker, presentations! See website to sign up: tinyurl.com/tur3alm

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION AT SFU

Are you a grade 10 to 12 student interested in the School of Communication at SFU? A workshop titled #NoFilter- Bursting the bubble of Communication is being held on **Wednesday, March 4** at 3:15pm in the library. The workshop will teach students to move from being a passive to active consumer and to develop an awareness of communication methods.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITY

Do you want to try an Escape Room? Are you an International Student who can miss the afternoon (blocks 3-5) on **Tuesday March 10th**? Please see Mrs. Joba for a permission form by this **Thursday Feb 27th**.

EPIC PROGRAM

A request to all students who are in EPIC this year, and want to still be considered for that program next year- Please see or e-mail your counsellor to get a re-application form, which will need to be submitted along with your Course Request form.

SPORTS

SKI CLUB MEMBERS

A friendly reminder about tomorrow's trip to Whistler. Be at school for **6:00am** and wear your club t shirts. Let it Snow!!!

TRACK & FIELD

There is still time to join Charles Best's Track and Field Team! Practice **today** at Charles Best. Please contact Mr. Gant if you are interested in joining the team.

SENIOR GIRLS SOCCER

Reminder to the Senior Girls Soccer team that you have a meeting **today** after school in portable 407. Meeting will start at 3:20pm. It will be brief if all members are on time!

JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER

Tryouts continue next week March 2nd and 4th. Please contact Mr. Celenza if you have not signed up or cannot make it. acelenza@sd43.bc.ca

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL HAWAII TRYOUTS

All grade 9, 10 and 11 girls basketball players; the tryout for the Hawaii team will take place **March 2nd** at 7pm-8:30pm and **March 4th** at 7:30 pm to 9 pm. Mr. Percevault needs your permission letters before March 2nd in order to be eligible to try out. Currently we only have seven permission letters, need at least three more to make this viable or the trip is in jeopardy. There will be fundraising taking place to help lower the students costs. Please see Mr. Percevault in portable 401 or the math office if you have any questions about this fabulous opportunity.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB - DON'T MISS OUT

FOR THE FINAL TRIP, APRIL 18TH only **3** spaces are still available.

Registration is online only. Please go to the Charles Best Website then Quick Links then Student Fees to register.
First come, first served.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*******CROSSING COMO LAKE*******

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

*******STUDENT PARKING*******

Please do not park under or near the basketball hoops in the student parking lot, as students would like to use the hoops for games. If you do park there, you run the risk of your car being damaged

*******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 social gathering places.

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.