



THE "BEST" INFORMER



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2020

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

****BE KIND, BE CALM AND BE SAFE****

GENERAL

CHARLES BEST SPIRIT WEAR

Dr. Charles Best brand-new SPIRIT WEAR is out!

We are so pleased to get our Spirit Wear store up and running!

There are **MANY** options and colours to choose from; below is just a couple of examples.

You can order up until December 18th and will arrive at Best by Jan 18th.

Pick up will be from the Devils Den starting on the 19th of January 😊.

GO BLUE DEVILS! BEST PRIDE!

Students: <https://drcharlesbestspiritstore.itemorder.com/>



VIDEO GAME RAFFLE

On Dec 2, 3 and 4, Social Responsibility is having a raffle to win the Ultimate Edition FIFA 2021 video game for PS4. All money raised will go towards paying for the tuition needed for a Kenyan student to attend school!

Come to the booth (wearing your mask) in block 1 flex/lunch to buy your ticket!

1 ticket for \$1 or 3 tickets for \$2.

The draw will take place at the end of lunch on Friday Dec 4. Pick up at the main office.



GRINCH PHOTO FUNDRAISER

Grinch photo fundraiser **ONLY \$1** to support Best Christmas Hampers.

Dec 3, 8, 10 & 15 Time: 10:10-10:55am

Line up outside the front of the school by the office with masks on 6 ft apart.

Hosted by Athletic Leadership



CANDYGRAM FUNDRAISER

Help the **RAC Club** Fundraise for the 3030 Gordon Project which helps to provide care packages for the homeless at Christmas.

Dec. 3, 4, 7, & 8 during flex time out front.

Buy a Candy Cane for an anonymous friend for only \$1.

Write a message and we will deliver it to their class on Dec. 10/11.

Raffle for a free **BEST** Hoodie!

FINAL CHANCE FOR PHOTO RETAKES

December 4, 2020 is the final photo retake day for any student with the **last name from M-Z** as well as any student who has missed the previous photo dates.



POETRY IN VOICE

Good news! The Poetry in Voice contest **ON!!!** Too bad that we can't do the contest in person; everything is on-line. So choose your poems, memorize them, and record your performances.

The contest is open to all students, all grades. E-mail Ms Silzer (dsilzer@sd43.bc.ca) for details and to register.

Poems must be chosen from the senior anthology from the Poetry in Voice website. The deadline for video submissions is Thursday, Feb. 11, 2021. Time goes quickly! Choose your poems ASAP!

DRESS YOUR BEST

Friday December 4 & 11, 2020 is Dress Your Best day here at Charles Best!
Wear school colours or school apparel and show your school spirit.



YEARBOOKS

There are less than 300 Yearbooks left for purchase so order yours now!
To order: visit our school website, navigate to Quick Links and click on Student Fees.



UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS

Join the Charles Best Career Centre Team!

For information on scholarships, bursaries, post-secondary sessions, learning opportunities!
Team code: gvrymg1

BCIT INFORMATION SESSION

Mark your calendars for BCIT virtual info session for SD43 on December 3 at 4pm. Please join here:
<https://bcit.zoom.us/j/81736155595?pwd=YU15VUdURHBzOWVDSVJzcWczTlI5UT09>
Meeting ID: 817 3615 5595
Password: 686558

Education & Career Fairs BC is BC's largest career development fair! Don't miss the opportunity to experience ECF and live chat with admissions officers, employers, and financial aid representatives; attend virtual workshops and online seminars; and learn more about education programs and job opportunities. The event is on December 3. Register here: <https://www.educationcareerfairs.com/ecf-british-columbia/>

RETURN-IT RECYCLING DONATIONS

Do you have bottles or cans that you need to return to the Return-It Recycling Depot? Consider having the money for your next return donated to the Royal Canadian Legion by entering 604-937-8053 at the Express Kiosk. This is an easy and very generous way to help!



COQUITLAM FIRE/RESCUE FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY

The Coquitlam School District is very excited to partner with Coquitlam Fire/Rescue to offer its third Firefighter Academy! It is open to SD43 high school students currently in grades 11 and 12. Please see website for details and application. **Application due date:** December 11, 2020.
[https://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/OtherLearningOpportunities.aspx#/="](https://www.sd43.bc.ca/CareerPrograms/Pages/OtherLearningOpportunities.aspx#/=)



HAVE YOU REGISTERED YOUR CAR YET?

If you are an 'N' driver and plan on parking a car at school this year, you must register the vehicle with the office. Please come by the office for a registration form.



GRADE 12'S

GRADE 12 YEARBOOK COMMENTS

Comments must be submitted by Dec 14th.

Link is now available for Grade 12 Yearbook write ups.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xl2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkSxsVla2HMRVKo6WGDG4T0aIUOUhYQ09HNVRJMTICNjIDVUZFSzdKS0QxNC4u>

Please note: there is a limit of 75 words for each write up and comments will be edited and reviewed for school appropriateness.

You can also use the link on the Charles Best website under Quick Links or School News.

NEW CLC TEACHERS

The CLC teaching team would like to welcome Ms. Turpin (and Ms. Henriksen) to our group.
Ms. Turpin will be taking over Mr. Pather's classes moving forward.
If you were in one of Mr. Pather's advisories, your new CLC teacher is Ms. Turpin.
Please direct any questions you have about CLC to her.

SPORTS

CLUBS

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

*******BE BEAR AWARE*******

This is the time of year bears can be seen near or on our school grounds. Do NOT approach one if you see one and report the sighting to an Administrator or staff member.

*******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 near the fenced off area in the upper parking lot. This is a designated area for our construction crew working on the school addition. 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.

******VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS******

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.