



THE "BEST" INFORMER



DECEMBER 10, 11 & 14, 2020

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

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

GENERAL

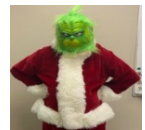
DRESS YOUR BEST

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



GRINCH PHOTO FUNDRAISER

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



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK IS COMING!

Let's celebrate the last week of school before the Winter Break in style!

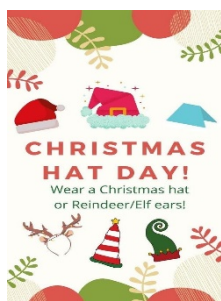
Monday, December 14: Wear RED and WHITE

Tuesday, December 15: Wear a Christmas Hat or Reindeer/Elf Ears

Wednesday, December 16: Wear your ugliest sweater to school

Thursday, December 17: Jingle Hoops for Charity

Friday, December 18: Pajama Day



JINGLE HOOPS

Jingle Hoops will be running as a fundraiser on **December 17** to raise funds for Charles Best families in need this holiday season.

Sanitizing measures will be in place during this free throw and three-point shooting competition in the gym.

Register online at <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS-9B4zd0iYJEt2fa53bRSzLURE1TRjE5Sk9DS0MMyNTBDWUY1Vkm4N1NOMS4u> or in-person at the Devil's Den this week. It costs \$5 per round to register. Don't miss out on this unique competition!

AFTER GRAD SURVEY

Grade 12's, have your say about After Grad this year!

Click on the link below to complete a quick survey by December 18.

For your convenience, the link is also available on the Charles Best website Home page.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=74xI2ZICUkKZJWRC3iSkS6tice2EBapCn2JmXg5fXaxUNlNFV0RGN0VPQk03NkdQSE4wUJFwN0ZHTy4u>

PARENT AFTER GRAD SURVEY

Parents, the Parent Committee for Grad 2021 is seeking your feedback on possible events and fundraising for our students this year.

Please take a moment to complete the short survey in the link below. We are also asking that you remind your Grade 12 student to do their survey sent to their school email address.

Survey closes Dec. 18th!

For your convenience, the link is also available on the Charles Best website Home page.

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LIBRARY CLOSED

The library will be closed during period 2 Flex Thursday and Friday this week from 1:05 – 1:35 for a teacher booking. Apologies to everyone.



PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

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Please come to the office to claim your belongings ASAP.

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/>



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!

UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS

Join the Charles Best Career Centre Team on TEAMS!

For information on scholarships, bursaries, post-secondary sessions, learning opportunities!

Team code: gvrymg1

SFU BEEDIE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Are you interested in studying at the SFU Beedie School of Business?

If so, join a special SD43 webinar on Dec 10 from 4-5pm. SFU Beedie advisors and a current business student will be there to answer any questions you have about the program, admission requirements, and the student experience.

Register at <https://sfubeedie-sd43-webinar.eventbrite.com>



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#/=)



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.





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.