

THE "BEST" INFORMER



THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025 TODAY IS DAY 1

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



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLACK BALLOON DAY

Today March 6th is recognized as Black Balloon Day in honour of all our friends, family and acquaintances who have died because of toxic drugs. There will be a display outside our Youth Worker Heather Bjornson's room on the lower floor honouring several loved ones.

Please take a moment to visit the display today.

DRESS YOUR BEST FRIDAY

Friday, March 7th is 'Dress Your Best' day.

Wear your school merch. or dress in school colours to show off your school spirit!

TOMORROW - INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY EVENT

This **Friday, March 7th,** we are excited to celebrate International Women's Day during Blocks 2, 3 and 4. We will have a table in the front foyer where students can participate in pennant-making by writing about the most inspirational woman in their lives. Our leadership students will also be handing out cards and handmade flowers. We look forward to celebrating and honoring the incredible women who inspire us.

LAST CHANCE - PEER TUTORING 11/12 FOR NEXT YEAR

Students who want to take Peer Tutoring 11 or 12 next year need to complete an application and teacher reference by Friday March 7th. The application form can be found in the counselling office.

Students who do not complete an application and teacher reference by the deadline will be withdrawn.

Please see Ms. Hawes or Ms. Wiskar in 215 if you have any questions.

LIBRARY CLOSURE CONTINUES THIS WEEK

Starting Monday, February 24th, the LLC will be closed for one to two weeks.

Painting and renovations are going to be happening.

Sorry for the inconvenience, but it'll be worth it in the end!

SENIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL KRISPY KREME FUNDRAISER

The Senior Girls Basketball team will be hosting pre-sales of Krispy Kreme donuts **March 3-5.**Pickups and extras will be sold March 13th blocks 1-5 @ the Devils Den.
\$2 ea or \$18/box. Thank you for your support!

CLUB AND SPRING ATHLETIC TEAM PHOTO DAY

On March 12th starting at 9am in the Cafeteria we will be having our Spring Teams & Clubs photo day. If your team or club needs to dress up in a uniform, make sure this is done before your time slot (as the time will be tight) so we stay on schedule.

If you have any questions, please see Mr. Viveiros.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Due to parent teacher interviews on **Wednesday, March 13th**, we will be running an altered bell schedule to shorten the day. Please see schedule below:

BLOCK 1	8:16AM – 9:05AM
BLOCK 2	9:10AM – 10:00AM
BLOCK 3	10:05AM – 10:55AM
BLOCK 4	11:00AM – 11:50AM
BLOCK 5	11:55AM – 12:45PM

WELLNESS FAIR MARCH 13

Thank you to our Youth Worker Heather Bjornson for organizing the wellness fair for students!

Next up, there will be an expanded Wellness Fair during Parent/Teacher Interview night

on Thursday, March 13th!

CLUB EVENTS

CAREER CENTRE NEWS: OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS

THIS WEEKEND - FESTIVAL DU BOIS VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Be part of this great event by joining as a volunteer. Event dates are **March 7-9,** but volunteers might be needed as well for pre-festival work and take down. Sign up here.

LAST CHANCE - INDIGENOUS STUDENTS IN TRADES SAMPLER

SD43 will be offering a 3-day experience for Indigenous Students grades 9-12 in various trades including Woodworking, Welding and CNC machining. This event will take place April 15-17 at Port Moody Secondary; transportation can be provided if needed. **Apply by March 7.** More info

SFU STEM SPEAKER SERIES: COMPUTER SCIENCE

Students interested in pursuing Computer Science for post-secondary can join this webinar to get the inside scoop from a 4th year student. Register to attend on Sat, March 15, 1-2 pm.

CPA COIN COMPETITION

This annual multiple-choice-question exam focusing on accounting, entrepreneurship, business acumen and introductory financial literacy concepts can win the Top 25 highest-scoring BC high school students some \$\$. Happening on **Sat, April 12,** 1-2 pm, but sign up by March 31, 9 am.

POST SECONDARY EVENTS

TODAY - EDUCATION USA: START PLANNING FOR U.S. STUDY

Students in grades 9-11 can learn how to research opportunities, how to finance your studies, and start preparing in general. <u>Join online on **Thu, March 6,**</u> 5-6 pm.

UBC PROGRAMS FOR THE PLANET WEBINAR

On **Wed, March 19,** 4 pm, explore UBC's degree programs focused on Sustainability, Forestry, and Land & Food Systems. Register here. Programs are still accepting applications!

- <u>Sustainability</u> addresses complex environmental issues by integrating knowledge from different disciplines with hands-on and community-based learning.
- UBC's <u>Forestry</u> program is the top in Canada and takes a forward-thinking and environmentallyfocused approach. Check out their Tik Tok <u>here</u> to learn more!
- <u>Land and Food Systems</u> programs focus on building resilient food systems, sustainable agriculture, and promoting healthier communities.

SCHOLARSHIP/AWARD/BURSARY INFORMATION

SFU ENTRANCE BURSARIES

For entering students with grade average +80% and demonstrated financial need. **Deadline is March 31.** Apply here.

DOUGLAS COLLEGE ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Up to \$20,000. Available for students who excel in their studies and contribute to their communities, including the promotion of social justice and Indigenous Truth and Reconciliation within their schools and/or communities. Apply here by March 31.

CHARLES BEST INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Are you in grade 12 and missed our scholarship meeting? You can find all the required information on the Career Centre website. We have 60 scholarships exclusively for Charles Best grads, including the District Authority Awards. Application deadline is April 2, but don't wait to the last minute because you will need a reference letter, a personal letter, and a resume – plus completion of the online application form. Questions?

Contact Ms. Kaufmann at the Career Centre.

BCIT PATHWAY TO SUCCESS SCHOLARSHIPS

3 x \$3,000 are available for SD43 students entering a full-time first year technology, technical studies or trade program (excluding Apprentice) directly from high school. These awards are recognizing well-rounded citizens, who have displayed leadership qualities, and have demonstrated that they are willing to work hard to achieve their goals. Commitment and drive are as important as formal academic standing. **Apply by April 3**. More info.

GRADE 12 INFORMATION

OUTSTANDING GRAD PHOTOS-ONE LAST OPPORTUNITY

For those grade 12's still needing to take a grad composite photo, there's still time to get your grad photos at Artona!

You will be included in the graduating class composite if you are photographed **by March 31.**Please book now by scanning the QR code or visiting artona.com/bookings



ATHLETICS



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UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

DATE AND/OR TIME	TEAM NAME	EVENT/OPPONENT/VENUE
Thurs. Mar. 6 @ 4:00pm	SENIOR BOYS RUGBY	AWAY game vs. Burnaby Central Se. @
		Burnaby Lake fields
Tues. Mar. 11 @ 2:30pm	HOCKEY TEAM	Exhib. Game vs. Riverside @ PoCo Rec.
Wed. Mar. 12 @ 1:00pm	FIELD LACROSSE	Centaurs Invitational Showdown
		Tournament vs. New West
Wed. Mar. 12 @ 3:00pm	FIELD LACROSSE	Centaurs Invitational Showdown
		Tournament vs. Claremont 1
Wed. Mar. 12 @ 8:00pm	FIELD LACROSSE	Centaurs Invitational Showdown
	1	Tournament vs. Centennial
Thurs. Mar. 13 @ 1:15pm	HOCKEY TEAM	Exhib. Game vs. Centennial @ Planet Ice
		Coq.
Thurs. Mar. 13 @ 11:00am	FIELD LACROSSE	Centaurs Invitational Showdown
		Tournament vs. Claremont 2
Thurs. Mar. 13 @ 1:00pm	FIELD LACROSSE	Centaurs Invitational Showdown
		Tournament vs. Nanaimo

ULTIMATE FRISBEE TEAM

Are you interested in playing on our inaugural Frisbee Golf Team? Sign up has started in the Digital Tech Centre room on the main floor. Sign up with the QR code provided on the table there as soon as possible.

