



Don Callejon School Weekly News

Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families • January 25, 2012

Si usted necesita esto traducido al Español, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la escuela.

Dear Don Callejon Families,

Can you believe that January is almost over? We have had a very exciting month of learning and activities at DCS. Today was the 100th day of school, and our primary students celebrated with a variety of activities in their classes. We have some more great events happening this week. Our 8th grade Boys Basketball team continues to compete for a playoff spot. This Friday we will have our Honor Roll Breakfast, Megaskills Assembly and Student of the Month Luncheon. We look forward to seeing you here supporting our Don Callejon Cubs!

As you may or may not know, our Vice Principal, Mary Rodriguez, is pregnant with her third child. Effective today, Mary will officially be on maternity leave through the end of April. We wish her well during this important time in her new little one's life! Pam Galano, our 7th Grade Math and Leadership Teacher, will be stepping in for Mrs. Rodriguez in her absence. Pam recently acquired her Administrative Services Credential, and was the Principal for Middle School Summer School this past summer. She has also subbed for Mrs. Rodriguez several times during the past two years.

As always, we thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for our school, and encourage you to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have.

Hans Barber
hbarber@scusd.net,
423-3300

SCUSD Open Enrollment:

Open Enrollment for grades K- 12 will occur between January 12 and February 10, 2012. *Please note:* Kindergarten registration for all schools throughout the District also begins on January 12, 2012. For parents with a student already attending a SCUSD school or a student who will be entering Santa Clara Unified for the 2012-2013 school year desiring to attend a school within the district, other than your home school, January 12 – February 10, 2012 is the time to enter your request of Open Enrollment.

Although the date of your application does not affect your chances in the lottery, we encourage you, however, to begin the application process before it is coming to an end as you may have questions or need assistance and the program will close down at 4:30 p.m. on February 10, 2012. Only one application per student will be accepted.

After School Sports:

Boys Basketball has begun. Their next game is on January 26th at home against Carden, and they will play at home again on Tuesday, January 31st against Buchser. Go Cubs!

Community Discount Cards:

The DCS Leadership class is selling Community Discount Cards. These little cards contain over 20 discounts at various places throughout the Santa Clara area. 5 are at Rivermark, 3 more are within 2 miles of our campus, 4 are at Valley Fair, and many more throughout Santa Clara. Get a car wash for only \$4.99! Get a free game of Mini Golf!! Get free food!! The offers expire 12/31/12 so use the card as many times as you want!! Contact Mrs. Galano if you have any questions: pgalano@scusd.net

Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is Fancy Day. Dress nicely, wear a tie, dress/skirt, let's look good!

Science Fair Judges:

We would like to extend an invitation to you and your colleagues in helping us create a pool of potential Science Fair Judges for our competition this spring. It will be held on Thursday, April 5th. We would also urge you to contact any of your colleagues whom you think might consider this endeavor. Please email Liz Morotti at lmorotti@scusd.net if you are interested in being a judge. Thank you!

Don Callejon Yearbooks on Sale for \$38:

Yearbooks are now on sale for \$38. Pick up an order form in the front office, or download an order form from the school website at www.doncallejon.org

Yearbook Shout-Outs Now Available for 5th Graders and 8th Graders!

Congratulate your “graduating” 5th grader or promoting 8th grader with a special photo and message in the yearbook. For \$20, submit a photo (baby photo or another favorite photo of your choice) and personalized message to be printed in the yearbook. Order forms will be sent home in your child’s Wednesday Folder, but extra forms are available in the front office. You can also download a copy of the order form linked below. All orders are due by **Friday, February 3**. Ad space is limited – first come, first served!

Important Dates and Details:

- **Open Enrollment:**
January 12th – February 10th
- **School Site Council Meeting:**
January 25th – 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- **ELAC Meeting:**
February 2nd – 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.
(Changed from January 19)
- **Open Enrollment Ends:**
February 10th
- **Fifth Grade Science Camp:**
February 14th – February 17th
- **End of Trimester (K – 5):**
February 17th
- **Minimum Day (Early Dismissal):**
February 17th
- **Mid-Winter Break:**
February 20th – February 24th
- **Conferences (Minimum Days):**
February 29th – March 2nd

Don Callejon Science Fair:

Don Callejon's science fair will take place April 5, 2012. If interested in participating, please have them pick up a science fair handbook and student agreement from your teacher or contact Mrs. Woodward in room B12 (kwoodward@scusd.net; 408-423-3427).

Science Fair Workshops:

The annual DCS Science Fair will take place on April 5, 2012. Our workshop for the 4th and 5th graders began on Friday, January 13th the next workshop is Friday, January 27th from 2:30 – 3:30 in room E1 with Mrs. Thorp. We are looking for adult volunteers to assist Mrs. Thorp in conducting our Science Fair Workshops. If interested, please email tmthorp@scusd.net. You must be a certified DCS volunteer to help out. If you are not a certified volunteer, but would like to contribute, please consider sharing materials or resources you think would be beneficial to the students. Below is the schedule for the workshops.

Thank you for your support!

Friday, January 27
Research & Hypothesis

Friday, February 3
Variables

Friday, February 10
Materials and Procedure

Friday, February 17
No workshop – 5th grade science camp

Friday, February 24
No workshop – February break

Friday, March 2
Observations and Data

Friday, March 9
Conclusions

Friday, March 16
Display Boards

Friday, March 23
Judging and Evaluation

Friday, March 30
Open day help with your project