

Don Callejon

Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families · Wednesday, March 26, 2008

Dear Don Callejon Families,

The end of the quarter for middle school is this Friday, and we will have a minimum day school wide. Please arrange for the early pick-up of your students. Middle School report cards will be sent home next Friday. Elementary parents- we look forward to seeing you at school this Friday for our monthly Megaskills assembly.

This is a busy season for our middle school counseling department. Our 6th and 7th graders will be registering for their electives for next year this week and next week, and our 8th graders will be registering for high school with counselors from Wilcox and Santa Clara High Schools early next week. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions regarding this process.

We **will** have school next Friday, April 4, but we will **not** have school on Tuesday, April 8, for a teacher inservice. Please mark these dates on your calendar. As always, please let us know if we can help in any way.

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Minimum Day:

Friday, March 28th is a minimum day. All students will be dismissed early. Please make arrangements to have your students picked up on time.

Practice Makes Perfect: Planning for May 21st

On May 21st, all schools within SCUSD will be practicing emergency procedures with the Santa Clara Fire and Police departments. Since the goal is to have a realistic simulation, students, staff, and parents may experience stress. It is important for parents and students to know that this is not a real emergency, so there is no need to alert the police or fire departments, other parents or the media. This is a learning experience for all, so if you notice an area that can be improved, please communicate with your school's principal.

La Práctica Hace al Maestro: Planeando para el 21 de mayo

El 21 de mayo, todas las escuelas del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Santa Clara/SCUSD estarán practicando procedimientos a seguir en caso de emergencia con los departamentos de Bomberos y de la Policía de Santa Clara. Ya que la meta es tener un simulacro realista, estudiantes, personal escolar y padres de familia pueden experimentar tensión nerviosa. Es importante que padres de familia y estudiantes sepan que esta no es una emergencia verdadera, así que no hay necesidad de alertar a los departamentos de policía o bomberos, a otros padres de familia o los medios de comunicación. Esta es una experiencia de aprendizaje para todos, así que si usted observa un área que se puede mejorar, por favor comuníquese con el/la directora/a de su escuela.

Human Race:

Join the Human Race on May 10 and support a great fundraiser for DCS!

This is a fun, healthy and easy way to raise money for the Arts Program at DCS. Join us for the Human Race 5K (3.1 miles) Pledge Walk at Shoreline Park in Mountain View (near the Google Campus) at 8:45 AM on May 10. If you raise \$50, National Semiconductor will match that amount which doubles what you raise to \$100! Everyone is welcome: students, parents, teachers, community member and even your dog can walk in the race! **DCSCO will cover the Registration Fee for everyone who raises \$50 (a savings of \$15 per adult and \$10 for ages 13-18 – students under 12 are FREE).** Get free t-shirts for participating and great refreshments from area corporate sponsors as well as pizza and drinks provided by National Semiconductor after the race! See this week's take-home packet for more information. Registration/pledges must be turned into the school by Monday, April 21. Elementary school and Middle School class having the most participants will win a pizza party for their classroom! Additional registration forms will be in the Main Office. For more information contact Karl Watanabe (karlw2000@sbcglobal.net) or Kathy Watanabe (kathleenwatanabe@yahoo.com). HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

Important Dates and Details:

- **High School Parent Orientation Night:**
March 26, 7:00 pm
- **School Site Council Meeting:**
March 26, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
- **K-5 Megaskills Assembly:**
March 28, 10:15 am
- **End of 3rd Quarter - Minimum Day:**
March 28 – Early Dismissal (K – 8)
- **District Science Fair (at Buchser):**
April 1, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm
- **Staff Development Day:**
April 8 – No School

Nightmare on Puberty Street:

On Thursday, March 27th, Kaiser Permanente will be presenting an educational health program for 6th and 7th grader students entitled *Nightmare on Puberty Street*. A show that helps adolescents understand that they are not alone in facing the changes and challenges of puberty. This interactive program follows four young people on their journey through adolescence. As the characters on stage wrestle with the essential adolescent question: "Am I normal," they learn to cope with changes affecting their bodies and minds.

By using drama, music and humor to confront the difficult issues of self-esteem, peer pressure, drug and alcohol use, sexuality and suicide, *Nightmare on Puberty Street* helps students deal with the challenges of adolescence by facilitating in-depth discussions about these issues.

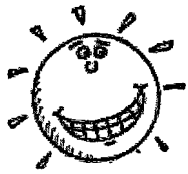
Nightmare on Puberty Street includes a live performance, a question and answer session, role-playing workshops and support materials for use in the classroom.

Opt out permission slips were already sent home. If you do not wish for your child to participate, please make sure you return the slip to the teacher.

For more information, please visit their website at
<http://xnet.kp.org/etp/ncal/nightmare/index.html>

Spirit Days/Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is Beanie/Hood Day. Wear your beanie or hood, bit not in class! Go Cubs!



Callejon School Jump for Heart Day

(Fri.) April 11th

1:00 – 2:00

- Wear running shoes
- We will jump to music!



Thank You to DCSCO for purchasing
jump ropes for the entire school!

Start practicing . . . jump daily!

