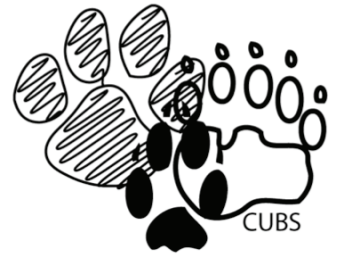


Don Callejon

Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families • Wednesday, March 11, 2009

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Dear Don Callejon Families,

Thanks so much to those of you that joined us for Family Math Night in the MPR last week. We had a great showing on this event. A big thank you goes out to the staff members that put his night on.

Students all over our campus are finding ways to be successful and contribute to our community. Many students participated in the Young Authors Fair on Saturday at Wilcox High; others participated in the Odyssey of the Mind Competition at Buchser Middle School that same day; still others led our boys basketball team to our first ever playoff game last Tuesday! It was so exciting to see all of the positive contributions from students on our campus at these events, and we are very proud of our Cubs!

We are very excited to be hosting the first annual Don Callejon School Science Fair this Friday, March 13, in the MPR. Projects will be judged that morning and we will host a project viewing and awards ceremony later that evening from 6- 7PM. We look forward to seeing what our awesome student scientists produce!

Elementary report cards will be coming home this Friday, March 13. As always, we encourage you to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have.

Hans Barber
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Parents & students:

The school campus opens at 7:55. If you arrive by the field, please enter through the gate only. Do not hop over the fence. Also, parents: please do not "lift" your child over the fence. Walk around to the gate, or to the front entrance. This is an obvious safety concern and we appreciate your cooperation. Thank you!

New Education Code Section: Bullying (including acts of electronic bullying):

Assembly Bill 86 by Assemblyman Ted Lieu, D-Torrance, was signed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and became effective January 1, 2009. The Lieu bill adds bullying to the list of acts for which a student can be suspended or expelled, adding subsection (r) to existing California Education Code (EC) Section 48900:

48900. A pupil shall not be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion, unless the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has committed an act as defined pursuant to any of subdivisions (a) to (r), inclusive:

(r) Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel.

Here are subdivisions (f) and (g) of section 32261 for your reference;

(f) As used in this chapter, "bullying" means one or more acts by a pupil or group of pupils as defined in Section 48900.2, 48900.3, or 48900.4.

(g) As used in this chapter, an "electronic act" means the transmission of a communication, including, but not limited to, a message, text, sound, or image by means of an electronic device, including, but not limited to, a telephone, wireless telephone or other wireless communication device, computer, or pager.

Spirit Days/Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is Green Day. Wear green in honor of St. Patrick's Day.

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DCS 1st Annual Science Fair

Don Callejon will hold its 1st Annual Science Fair this Friday, March 13th!

The projects will be judged during the day and open for viewing during the evening.

Please come to view our students' science projects and all the hard work they have done! Our schedule for this event in the MPR is as follows:

6:00 – 6:45	Viewing of Science Projects
6:45 – 7:00	Awards Presentation

District-wide surprise disaster drill:

The district wide disaster drill that was originally scheduled for sometime during the last week of March/first week of April) **has been cancelled**.

Meeting the Challenges of 21st Century Parenting with Pat Belvel:

6:30-8:30 pm, Thursday Nights: Mar. 26 - Apr. 30 (3/26th, 4/2, 9th, 23rd & 30th) no class Apr 16th (no class Apr. 17) The workshops will be held at Washington Open School, Library, 270 Washington Avenue, Santa Clara. Registration is \$15.00 and includes a free workbook. Space is limited to 40 people. Course description at www.trngedu.com.

Important Dates and Details:

- **K – 8 Parent Conferences**
March 10th – March 12th (Minimum Days)
- **Elementary Report Cards go home**
March 13th
- **Science Fair:**
March 13th
- **DCSCO Movie Night:**
March 20th
- **End of 3rd Quarter:**
March 27th (Minimum Day)
- **Staff Development Day:**
April 7th (No School)
- **Spring Concert:**
April 8th
- **Spring Break:**
April 13th – April 17th (No School)

Casting Call:

Do you sing, dance, juggle or have a special talent you would like to share with the world?? Don Callejon School will be having their 4th annual Spring Fling on May 16th is a carnival atmosphere, with a Kidz Zone, Food booths, Silent Auction, Exhibitors and Main Stage events. During the event we will have a Talent show on the Main Stage. If you would like to share your talent please contact Lori Garmany @ lori.garmany@dcsc.org. We will have an open audition on Wednesday, March 18th starting at 3:30pm. We want to do our part to help build our community and there is no better way than to share our talents with one another.

In addition to your invitation to perform at the Spring Fling, we will be giving every student a coupon to play a carnival game for free.

Got Ink Cartridges?

If you have any ink (and toner) cartridges that you want to get rid of, please bring them to the school's office so we can recycle them and we can receive store credit at Staples. The store credit can be used by teachers and staff to purchase classroom and school supplies and materials. We accept any brand of ink and toner cartridges. If you don't have time to drop off your ink cartridges at the office, you can also hand them to the Safety Patrol volunteers when you drop off your child in the morning. If you have any questions, please contact Melinda Razon at melinda.razon@dcsc.org.

Need Child care This Summer?

Are you a parent/guardian seeking a fun, exciting and educational summer program?! Look no further... Montague Extended Day presents "The Amazing Summer Adventure," which begins on Monday, June 15, 2009. This year's calendar is full of excitement with fun weekly themes, and special visitors including Atlas Robotics, Marine Science Institute, Magician, Humane Society, Carnival and more.... Some of our entertaining field trips include Great America, Ripley's Believe it or Not Museum, Gofland Waterslides, Oakland Zoo and much more. Sound expensive? You will be pleasantly surprised by our low rates. We offer free or low cost child care to those families who qualify, as well as affordable rates. Services are available from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Breakfast and snack are provided. Please contact Site Director – Terri Freitas in Room #14 for further details at (408) 423-1916.