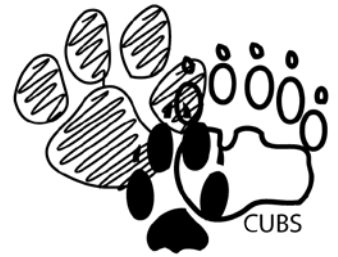


Don Callejon

Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families · Tuesday, November 10, 2009
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Dear Don Callejon Families,

Can you believe Thanksgiving is a mere two weeks away? We are looking forward to an exciting and learning-filled holiday season. Please try to plan your vacations around the upcoming school breaks so that your student does not miss any class time. We greatly appreciate your support with this effort.

The end of the trimester is coming up next Friday, November 20. Elementary report cards will go home on Friday, December 4th. Middle school progress reports will be mailed home the week after Thanksgiving. Please look for these very important documents coming home in the next few weeks.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns, and we will do our very best to tackle them in a timely manner. This is a crucial and stressful time in the lives of all of our students, and if they need added support we are here to give it.

Hans Barber
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Spirit Days/Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is Rainbow/Bright Color Day. Wear colors of the rainbow or bright neon colors.

Classroom Interruptions:

Please try to make every effort to have your child bring their instruments, lunches, homework, etc. to school with them. After school begins, it is an interruption to call the class for them to pick it up from the office.

District and Don Callejon School Planning Update:

As you may or may not know, the District is in the process of assessing facility needs for the near and distant future. The Board will receive the first report from the facilities committee on November 12th and then decide upon a process for addressing those needs. This board meeting will take place in the Don Callejon Multipurpose Room beginning at 5:30 p.m. The agenda for this meeting is posted on the front office windows and MPR doors. Classroom needs at Don Callejon School are critical for next and subsequent years, and will be high on the list for resolution. The Board will be looking at the various options for Callejon, which include adding portables, re-configuring the grade levels, and establishing new boundaries.

Steve Stavis, Superintendent

Open Enrollment 2010-2011:

The **Open Enrollment** program for the 2010-11 school year will be conducted from **January 7 to February 5, 2010**. Parents students wishing to attend a school other than their school of residence must first provide proof of residency to their school of residence, receive a permanent student number and then complete the Open Enrollment application on the District website @ www.santaclarausd.org. The link to the application form, school visitation dates and requirements, as well other important information concerning this process will appear on the District website home page in mid December 2009.

Students Currently Attending a District School through an Intradistrict Transfer must apply for continued enrollment at that school by completing an on-line application for Open Enrollment between January 7- February 5, 2010 if they wish to continue at that school for the 2010-11 school year.

Middle School Honor Roll Breakfast:

We had over 180 middle school students qualify for the Honor Roll based on their 1st Quarter Report Cards. This is an outstanding achievement! To honor these students, we will be having our first Middle School Honor Roll breakfast on Friday, November 13, from 7:30-8:10 in the MPR. Continental breakfast will be served, compliments of DCSCO, and certificates and bumper stickers will be given to all Honor Roll students. In order to qualify for the Honor Roll, students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average. If your student qualifies, you will receive an invitation in the mail from the school.

Fall Fundraiser:

All items have been delivered, if you are missing items or have any problems with your order, please contact the company directly at 1-800-683-8358 ext. 222 or email them at paretnhotline@allamericanfr.com

**Science Fair program at Santa Clara City Library:**

Learn about how to prepare for your school's science fair, and about opportunities to advance to fairs on the regional, state, national and international level. See examples of award-winning science projects, and receive tips on how to best impress teachers and judges. Parents are asked to attend with their children. Information will be targeted to students in the 4th through 8th grades. Presented by the Santa Clara County Science and Engineering Fair Association.

Tardiness to School:

We have been handling a large number of tardies to school each morning from every grade level. Please do your very best to make sure that you get your students to school by 8:05 so that they have time to be in line for class or in class by 8:10AM. Tardies are an inconvenience and disruption for all of us, and any help that you can give us with this would be greatly appreciated.

Important Dates and Details:

- **Veteran's Day Holiday:**
November 11th
- **End of Trimester (Elementary):**
November 20th
- **Thanksgiving Holiday:**
November 25th – 27th