

# Don Callejon

## Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families · Wednesday, November 4, 2009  
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### Dear Don Callejon Families,

Thank you to all of you who attended the Halloween festivities last Friday. The students had a great time. We have several exciting events coming up during the month of November as well. We are looking forward to an exciting and learning-filled holiday season.

It is hard to believe that the holidays are vast approaching, and soon it will be Thanksgiving. 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.

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 Callejon Day. Wear your school gear or blue/orange.

### 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 12<sup>th</sup> and then decide upon a process for addressing those needs. This board meeting will take place in the Don Callejon Multipurpose Room beginning at 5:00 p.m. 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 of students wishing to attend a school other than their school of residence must first provide proof of residence to their school of residence, receive a permanent student number and then complete the Open Enrollment application on the District website @ [www.santaclarausd.org](http://www.santaclarausd.org). The link to the application form, school visitation dates and requirements, as well as 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; 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 [parenthotline@allamericanfr.com](mailto:parenthotline@allamericanfr.com)

### **"How to Promote Optimal Emotional Health in Gifted Children" by Ms. Melody Matthews Lowman, M.A.:**

The first of our Open Houses and Professional Lecture Series for this school year, this presentation and discussion centers on helping parents become their child's best resource. Research suggests that giftedness alone does not lead to emotional problems but rather that gifted children need help to cope with their own characteristics. Parents are the best people to equip them to resist depression, manage anxiety and overcome perfectionism. We have invited Ms. Melody Matthews Lowman, M.A., a psychotherapist and educational consultant with 45 years of experience working with gifted children and their families, to address this topic. She also happens to be a member of the Lyceum Professional Advisory Board.

When: Saturday, November 7, 2009  
2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Where: San Jose West Valley Library  
Community Room 1243 San Tomas  
Aquino Road, San Jose 95117

### **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 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **ELAC Meeting:**

We will have our first ELAC (English Learners Advisory Committee) Meeting on Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30- 6:15PM. The meeting is open to all parents of English Learners. At the meeting we will elect officers and discuss the needs of our Don Callejon EL students. I look forward to seeing you all there.

### **Important Dates and Details:**

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

## Library Link

“Bustling with activity” is the best way to describe our library these days. All our elementary classes and many middle school classes are coming to the library each week to check out books, do research and be read to. While our younger elementary students have heard some friendly happy Halloween stories, our upper elementary school students have heard Halloween stories that are a bit scarier – not because they are gory and creepy, but because the stories make students THINK about what is going on. I have enjoyed sharing with our middle school students scary stories from around the world as well as Washington Irving’s classic, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. As we move into November, the focus in the library will be the California Young Reader Medal nominees for all grade levels. I am particularly excited about the Picture Books for Older Readers genre for our fourth through eighth graders – I believe we are never too old for an excellent picture book with a strong story.

The Book Fair is coming – the Book Fair is coming!!

Join us in the planning, help us with sales or just plan on SHOPPING from November 30 – December 4. Take a look at the link to the Book Fair details in the library section of the school website. This year we will be receiving back from Scholastic 65% of our sales in books and classroom materials for all our teachers. We have many exciting activities planned for the week of the Book Fair and before – keep your eyes open for more info!

We have been adding new books to our library, many purchased from Hicklebees with the profits from last spring’s book fair, several donations from a vendor. Please take a look at the list of our new books on the library website. I am also putting on the library website a list of books that I would love to add to our library – these are books that are the newest and most highly recommended of literature for children and young adults. If you are interested in donating books to our library, any of these would be very much appreciated.

My continued appreciation to our magnificent cadre of library volunteers – you make all the difference.

“A Library Should Be Like A Pair of Open Arms” (unknown)

Happy Reading  
Michele Taylor  
Librarian

## H1N1 (Swine) Flu Vaccine Update from Santa Clara Public Health Department

October 27, 2009

**If you can – please get the H1N1 vaccine from your doctor or regular medical provider.** The clinics being held by our public healthcare system will be using their vaccines for high-risk individuals, including those who cannot get their vaccine from their medical provider. To protect as many people in this community as possible, if you can get your vaccine with your own doctor you should do so.

The Public Health Department clinics will be for the following groups,

- Pregnant women;
- People who live with or provide care for infants under six months;
- Healthcare and emergency medical services workers;
- Children and young adults between the ages of 6 months and 24 years; and,
- Adults between the ages of 25 and 64 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for flu-related complications.

The H1N1 vaccine will be free at the Public Health Department clinics.

The vaccine should become more readily available in late November and December. Once the demand for vaccine for people at highest risk has been met, the Public Health Department and local providers can begin providing the vaccine to others. It is important to remember - this is the beginning of a long vaccination effort. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

Clinic locations, days, and hours may change based on the vaccine's availability and public demand. Please check [www.sccphd.org](http://www.sccphd.org) for updates to clinic schedules.

Weekends	Times	Location
<b>Saturday, November 7</b>	9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b>Santa Clara County Fairgrounds EXPO HALL</b> 334 Tully Road San José, CA 95111
<b>Sunday, November 15</b>		
<b>Saturday, November 21</b>		

Vaccination is still the best protection against H1N1. Since a flu pandemic can last for several months and as long as 2 years, many people will continue to be at risk for illness. Getting the vaccine as soon as it becomes available is the best way to protect yourself from H1N1 flu. The H1N1 vaccine provides protection for up to one year after vaccination.

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Si usted puede – por favor consiga la vacuna H1N1 a través de su doctor o de su proveedor médico regular. Debido a que los primeros envíos de la vacuna serán limitados, las clínicas ofrecidas por nuestro sistema público de cuidado de salud estarán usando las vacunas para personas de alto riesgo, incluyendo a aquellas que no puedan conseguir la vacuna de parte de su proveedor médico.

La vacuna H1N1 será gratuita para las personas con alto riesgo de enfermarse o de tener complicaciones debidas a la influenza H1N1:

- Las mujeres embarazadas;
- Las personas que viven o que proporcionan cuidado a bebés menores de 6 meses de edad;
- Los trabajadores de cuidado de salud y de servicios médicos de emergencia;
- Los niños y adultos jóvenes de 6 meses a 24 años de edad; y
- Los adultos de 25 a 64 años de edad con condiciones médicas que los pone a un riesgo mayor de tener complicaciones relacionadas a la influenza.

Una vez que la demanda de vacunas para personas con el mayor riesgo se ha cumplido, el Departamento de Salud Pública y los proveedores locales comenzarán a proporcionar la vacuna a todas las personas que la deseen. Es importante recordar que éste es el comienzo de una campaña de vacunación de tiempo prolongado. Le agradecemos por su paciencia y comprensión.

La ubicación de las clínicas, los días y los horarios pueden cambiar basado en la disponibilidad de la vacuna y la demanda pública. Por favor visite el sitio del Internet en [www.sccphd.org](http://www.sccphd.org) para actualizaciones semanales de los horarios de las clínicas.

Desde el 7 al 21 de noviembre

Fines de semana	Horario	Ubicación
Sábado 7 de noviembre	9:30 a.m. a 3:30 p.m.	<b>Santa Clara County Fairgrounds EXPO HALL</b> 334 Tully Road San José, CA 95111
Domingo 15 de noviembre		
Sábado 21 de noviembre		



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Neáu cou theá – quyù vò neán ñeán chích ngöøa cuùm H1N1 vôi baüc só hoaëc beãnh vieän thöðong læ cuúa quyù vò. Vì nhöõng ñiit thuoác ngöøa ñâu tieän seõ cou soá löðing giöüi haïn, caüc khoa chích ngöøa do heä thoáng y teá coäng coäng thieát læp seõ toá chöüc chích ngöøa cho nhöõng ngöðøi cou nguy cô maéc beãnh cao, vaø nhöõng ngöðøi khoâng theá ñeán baüc só ñeá chích ngöøa.

Thuoác ngöøa H1N1 ñöðic chích mieän phí cho nhöõng ngöðøi cou nguy cô cao maéc beãnh cuùm hoaëc bò bieán chöùng khi bò cuùm H1N1:

- Phui nõ mang thai
- Nhöõng ngöðøi ñang soáng chung nhaø hoaëc chaêm soüc em beù döðui 6 thaùng tuoái
- Nhaân vieän y teá hoaëc caáp cöu y khoa
- Caüc em beù vaø thanh nieän töø 6 thaùng ñeán 24 tuoái, vaø
- Nhöõng ngöðøi töø 25 ñeán 64 tuoái cou nhöõng beãnh traïng khieán hoï cou nguy cô cao bò bieán chöùng vì beãnh cuùm.

Khi nhu caäu chích ngöøa cuúa nhöõng ngöðøi cou nguy cô cao ñâu ñöðic ñaup öung ñây ñuü, Sôu Y Teá Coäng Coäng vaø caüc beãnh vieän ñöa phöông seõ baét ñâu chích ngöøa cho baát cöu ngöðøi naøo muoán chích ngöøa. Nieäu quan troïng caàn ghi nhöu: ñây læ böðuc ñâu cuúa möt noá löic læu daøi trong vieác chích ngöøa. Chuùng toái caüm ôn söi kieän nhaän vaø thoäng hieäu cuúa quyù vò.

Caüc ñöa ñieäm vaø ngaøy giöø chích ngöøa cou theá thay ñoái tuøy theo soá löðing thuoác chích ngöøa vaø nhu caäu chích ngöøa cuúa coäng ñoäng. Quyù vò neán xem thöøi khoua bieäu cuúa caüc khoa chích ngöøa ñöðic caáp nhaät möi tuaàn taïi [www.sccphd.org](http://www.sccphd.org).

### 7 Thaùng Möðøi Möät ñeán 21 Thaùng Möðøi Möät Caüc Ngaøy Cuoái Tuaàn Giöø Ñöa Ñieäm

Caüc Ngaøy Cuoái	Giöø	Ñöa Ñieäm
Thöu baüy, 7 Thaùng Möðøi Möät	9:30 saùng – 3:30 chieàu.	<b>Santa Clara County Fairgrounds EXPO HALL</b> 334 Tully Road San José, CA 95111
Chuü Nhaät, 15 Thaùng Möðøi Möät		
Thöu baüy, 21 Thaùng Möðøi Möät		

