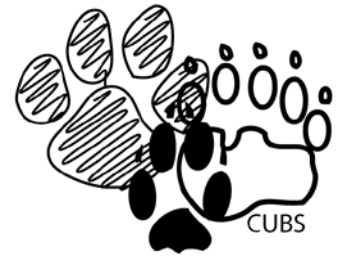


# Don Callejon

## Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families · Wednesday, September 17, 2008

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### Dear Don Callejon Families,

Welcome to week four at Don Callejon School. We had our first K-8 rally last Friday and I was really impressed by the spirit, participation and behavior of our outstanding student population! It was a great way to welcome our students back to school, and an activity unique to our campus!

By now, you should have some indication of how your student is doing in school both academically and socially. Parent conferences will take place for elementary students during the week of October 6- 10, and the first middle school progress report will be mailed home on September 26. If you have a question regarding your student's progress, please contact their teacher(s) first. Staying in touch with your student's teacher is simply the best way to affect their performance in school. Visit our school website for specific information on how to contact teachers or other support staff

I cannot emphasize the importance of open communication to you enough. As the year rolls on and issues begin to come up at home, please communicate with us so that we may help you. Remember, the key to our schools' success is communication!

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### Visitors on Campus/ Drop Off-Pick up:

In order to keep our campus safe, all visitors must sign-in at the office before entering campus. You will be given a visitor's badge to identify you as a Don Callejon visitor. Please do not plan on visiting your son or daughter during the school day, including lunch. We do welcome parent volunteers to our campus. We are always happy to have adult volunteers on campus to help in the office, on the playground, or in the classrooms. Check our school website for details on how to sign up to volunteer through our DCSCO parent organization.

Please help us avoid and alleviate traffic problems by following the Don Callejon pick up and drop off guidelines found in your registration packet. If at all possible, please walk or bike to school. Please wait to pick up your students after school at the designated waiting area near the front office. Please do not walk to the classrooms to pick up your student. Having parents walk to the classrooms disrupts instructional time and other classes that are still in session.

### Free Car Wash:

The DCS leadership class is holding a free car wash on September 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The car wash is free but donations are welcome. The money will go to the leadership class for class shirts, supplies and to fund dances.

## Spirit Days/Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is College Day, wear something from your favorite college! Go Cubs!!

## DCSCO 2 Hour Power:

As you may know, this year DCSCO is starting a program called "2 Hour Power" that emphasizes parent participation at Don Callejon School. All help, any help makes a huge difference for our students and the school.

We would LOVE to get you involved in any way that fits your schedule and interests.

Simply complete an online Interest Survey & Pledge Form at <http://dcSCO.ptomanager.com/>

## Supervision:

Please help us to keep all students safe and supervised. Students should not be on campus before 7:55 AM (unless they arrive on the bus). Students must leave campus 15 minutes after their day ends unless involved in a supervised activity.

## Fall Fundraiser:

The Fall fundraiser ends on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please send in all orders and money in on Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## API Scores:

As you may already know, the state has released the API scores for all schools in the state. Our school gained 37 points last school year! That was an outstanding accomplishment. Congratulations to our teachers and students for their hard work! I am confident that our school will continue to grow in the coming years. If you would like more details on the scores, please log on to the state website using the following address: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/>. Then, click on either the APR or STAR links to get school level reports.

## Important Dates and Details:

- **Fall Fundraiser:** Our fall fundraiser will run from September 8<sup>th</sup> through September 22<sup>nd</sup>. All money and order forms are due on Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- **School Site Council Meeting:** September 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- **DCSCO Movie Night:** September 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.