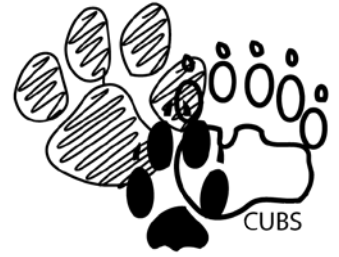


# Don Callejon

## Weekly News



Principal Hans Barber's Newsletter for Don Callejon Families · Wednesday, September 23, 2009  
Si usted necesita esto traducido al Español, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de la escuela.

### Dear Don Callejon Families,

We have an outstanding week ahead of us at Don Callejon School. We will have our first K-5 Megaskills Assembly this Friday from 10:15-10:45AM, and our first Middle School Student of the month Luncheon during lunch on Friday. These recognitions are always very rewarding for staff, students and parents alike. Congratulations in advance to the award recipients!

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 5-9, and the first middle school progress report will be mailed home this week. If you have a question regarding your student's progress, please contact their teacher(s) first. Staying in touch with your student's teacher(s) 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

Thank you for your continued support.

Hans Barber  
[hbarber@scusd.net](mailto:hbarber@scusd.net), 423-3300

### Spirit Days/Spirit Wear:

Don't forget to show your DCS spirit by dressing up for spirit days every Friday. This Friday is Crazy Hair Day. Do something crazy with your hair.

### 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, and we now have an API score of 806! 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.

### Yearbook Photo Contest:

Yearbook Photo Contest for September:  
Summer Adventures  
1st Prize a Free Yearbook!  
2nd Prize a Free buddy picture in yearbook taken by yearbook staff

Go to [www.doncallejon.org/yearbook](http://www.doncallejon.org/yearbook) and look for the Yearbook link.

Use the log-in information below:

Username: 400003101

Password: cubs2010

Questions?  
Contact  
Yearbook  
Advisor  
Mr. Tu at  
[xtu@scusd.net](mailto:xtu@scusd.net)



## Parent Education Workshop:

The SCUSD Parent Education Website has been updated with resources and workshops in and around our SCUSD community. Parents can find things that relate to parenting toddlers thru teens.

The parents website is [www.santaclarausd.org/parents.cfm](http://www.santaclarausd.org/parents.cfm)

## After School Sports:

Volleyball has begun for our middle school students. Our first game will be at Peterson Middle School in Sunnyvale this Thursday, September 24. Our first home game will be on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, versus Cabrillo. Please come out and support your Cubs!

## Important Dates and Details:

- **K-5 Megaskills Assembly:**  
Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:15 am
- **School Site Council Meeting:**  
Rescheduled for September 30, 2009,  
5:00- 6:00PM in the Staff Room
- **Middle School Volleyball Game:**  
September 24<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 pm at Peterson
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences:**  
October 5<sup>th</sup> – October 9<sup>th</sup>  
Early Dismissal for All Students

## Latino Parent Conference:

On Saturday October 24, 2009, Santa Clara Unified School District Special Projects Department will be hosting their annual Latino Parent Conference at New Valley HS. This year, they will be offering a bus to pick up parents at various schools. Due to time, they were not able to assign the bus to all the schools. However, there will be a bus at Mayne (6:50 am), Hughes (7:05 am), and Montague (7:25 am) that you can ride. Parents please call 408-423-2098 to reserve a spot on the bus. Children and parents can use the bus. The conference is from 8:30 to 1:00.

## Fall Fundraiser:

The Fall fundraiser has ended, Please send in all orders and money in as soon as possible. The money raised from this fundraiser goes directly to the Student Body Fund which goes to supplement field trips, transportation and assemblies.



## Library Link

Wow, has it been a busy time in our library!! Classes from all grade levels are coming through, parents are checking books out after school, volunteers are helping out and reading is alive and well at DCS.

Our first author visit of the year from MT Anderson was terrific. He was very impressed with the quality of the questions our students asked him about his writing process and idea creation. Thanks to Mr. Barber, we raffled off autographed copies of the books by MT Anderson and the following students were winners:

Symone Page and Santiago Curaza won copies of Whales on Stilts  
Jocelyn Avila and Tiffany Pham won copies of The Clue of the Linoleum Lederhosen  
Shawndre Smith, Sunshine Arnold and Madison Loreda won copies of Jasper Dash and Flaming Pits of Delaware

This was only the first of many authors we hope to visit DCS this year.

Our library is scheduled with classes from all grade levels. Therefore, I would like to ask parents who use the library after school to be aware that Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday there are middle school classes using the library until 2:30, so the library will not be open until I am done with those classes. We will then be open until 3 for book check out for students and parents

With so many of our parent checking out books for home use, I will be offering parents library codes. If you would like to check out library books, please stop by the library to fill out a request or email me the attached form.

Our magnificent parents continue to volunteer for our library. Watch for emails from me about ongoing projects – there is a lot going on!!

Take a look at the list of 100 things a child can read besides books that is attached here. The world of reading is all around us.

“The more you that you read, the more things you will know. “ Dr. Seus

Happy Reading  
Michele Taylor  
Librarian

DCS PARENT LIBRARY CODE REQUEST

Parent name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Your child's teacher \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## 100 THINGS A CHILD CAN READ BESIDES A BOOK

1. baseball cards
2. cereal boxes
3. words to songs
4. clocks
5. brochures
6. posters
7. store signs
8. recipes
9. comic strips
10. game rules
11. junk mail
12. newspapers
13. tags
14. TV guides
15. calendars
16. letters and notes
17. directions for building models
18. charts
19. gasoline pumps
20. car dashboards
21. license plates
22. food labels
23. menus
24. billboards
25. ads
26. CD labels
27. catalogs
28. thermometers
29. movie credits
30. graphs
31. card games
32. crossword puzzles
33. t shirts
34. bumper stickers
35. fortune cookies
36. aisle markers
37. word search puzzles
38. money
39. games
40. bible
41. business names
42. maps
43. signs pulled by airplanes
44. stamps
45. tv commercials
46. coupons
47. drivers license
48. envelopes that come in the mail
49. email
50. membership cards
51. maps
52. DVD labels
53. grocery lists
54. GPS screens
55. shoe boxes
56. road signs
57. calculators
58. door signs
59. greeting cards
60. toothpaste tubes
61. pencils
62. gum wrappers
63. tickets
64. shopping bags
65. horoscopes
66. vending machines
67. student id cards
68. household items
69. toy labels
70. parking meters
71. scoreboards
72. road markers/historical signs
73. birthday cakes
74. telephone books
75. cell phones
76. paint cans
77. candy wrappers
78. report cards
79. posters
80. fast food menus
81. street markings
82. notebook covers
83. greeting cards
84. post it notes
85. placemats in restaurants
86. globes
87. calendars
88. ads on buses
89. light rail schedules
90. warning signs
91. computer desktops
92. door signs
93. sports schedules
94. balloons
95. class schedules
96. boxes
97. fire extinguishers
98. video games
99. mall directories
100. parking lot signs