

eYapper - September 21, 2009

The ABC's of Life

Believe in Yourself – Whatever you believe in, recognize it's the belief in something bigger than you which keeps you going when you are tired, weary and worn down. This belief lifts you when others put you down and gives you the courage to try again when it appears you've fallen short. It is passionate belief that inspires other to believe as well. Believe in yourself.

- Byron V. Garrett

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School Site Council (SSC) – URGENT VOLUNTEER REQUEST

Perks of School Site Council – you get to meet with SSC Calle teacher representatives and with Mr. Sheck. Interested in getting involved? Want to know the inside scoop on what is happening at Calle? Then School Site Council is where you want to be. The Calle Council is currently looking for 3 parent volunteers to fill the vacant spots. The Council meets on a Tuesday, from 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., every other month - 5 meetings per year, with a 2 year term. In order to be considered, please submit your name to CallePTSA@verizon.net. Please email today. Members need to be voted in at the Back to School Night meeting.

Back to School Night Update – Tuesday, September 22, 2009

Don't miss it! Tomorrow night, Tuesday, September 22nd. Starting at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria – Teacher introductions and a short PTSA meeting. Then at 7 p.m. parents will be 'dismissed' to the classrooms. Each "class" will be 10 minutes with a 3 minute passing period. Please remember this is an evening for parents ONLY. No students, please. Your student should bring home a list of their classes today, Monday. A map of the school is attached for your reference.

Direct Donation Update

Look for the Direct Donation table at Back-to-School Night – Outside of the Cafeteria between 6 - 7 p.m. and then again, after "Classes" are Complete, outside of the Book Fair – near the Library

It's not too late to 'FEED THE DOG!'

There's ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT!!!! for your contribution to be eligible for any incentives. Don't miss out on the entertaining HIP HOP Assembly and the chance for the special event CHOW DOWN Luncheon. We'd love to add your child's name on our "WALL OF BONES" Recognition Banner.

More NEW and FANTASTIC REASONS to donate:

NBA EXCITEMENT: For every \$50 donation, your child's name will be entered in a drawing for a fabulous FAMILY NIGHT with the LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS, Friday, November 20th versus ! at the beautiful . We have tickets for a family of 4! Parking included. Good seats! An opportunity for great family memories. Cheer for the 2009 first draft pick Blake Griffin.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ACTION: For every \$50 donation, your child's name will also be entered in drawing to win 2 tickets, parking included to see the incredible LOS ANGELES ANGELS of ANAHEIM, who are currently leading their division, Wednesday, September 30th versus the Rangers! Regular season is ending, so don't miss this opportunity!

Remember all donations must be received by September 25th to be eligible for any incentives. Please see flyer that was sent home.

CONGRATULATIONS to the homeroom classes of Mr. Gerson and Ms. , who were rewarded for their awesome group fundraising efforts in our Calle homeroom competition. Prizes included: leaving 10 minutes early for lunch, a special delivery lunch for these teachers, and refreshing snacks for the kids! We will soon be rewarding mile passes too. Don't forget the winning classes also keeping the Calle Bone Trophy!

Our fundraising goal is \$30,000 and we have currently raised a little more than \$20,000. We are thankful for what we have received so far, but we would hate to cut any of our valuable programs we offer for your children, if we are short of our initial goal.

Please do your part in maintaining programs that affect your kids in a positive way. There are MORE REASONS TO GIVE than not. Making a contribution to YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION is the BEST INVESTMENT YOU CAN MAKE!

Book Safari Book Fair, at Back to School Night and Before and After School, Everyday this WEEK!

Find them in the Calle Library. It's a Jungle out there! Please plan to 'Swing' by the library, before and after school, and visit our Book Fair during the week of September 21st. Also from 5:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. on Back to School Night - Tuesday, September 22nd.

Calle Caps – The "Official" Cap of and the ONLY Cap Allowed to be Worn at Calle.

Available for Purchase in the Library (Book Fair location) on Back-to-School Night. The Calle Bulldog cap is the only cap that can be worn at Calle. Cost is \$12.

Health Curriculum Parent Preview- Before Back to School Night, September 22nd, 6 p.m., Rm 35

A general overview of instructional methods used to teach: Family Life, Drug Prevention and Sexually Transmitted Diseases. 6:00 to 6:30 p.m., Room 35, Presented by Ms. Schulman. This will be the only preview scheduled for this year for both 6th and 8th grade Health classes.

Parent Connect Information – A TUSD Provided Service

Parent Connect is an opportunity for parents and students to check their progress in each of their classes online. Parent Connect is part of a larger online system that schools are now using to

help keep track of vital student records. This program allows parents to have "read-only" access to this information.

For all students new to Calle this year, your information is currently being input and updated so that you can have access to this valuable and informative service. You will receive an email when the service is available which will include your log in and password information.

For all returning Calle students, you may have noticed that your student is no longer listed. All access will again be available when all of the new student information is processed. The school expects this to be no later than October 1st. All log in and password information will be the same as it has been for prior years. Thank you for your patience.

PTSA Membership Update

It's not too late to join the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation. PTSA membership envelopes can be picked up in the school office. \$7 buys you an entire year membership.

Yearbooks

Save \$5 when you pre-order your 2009-2010 100% Color Calle Yearbook. The cost is only \$35 between now and November 24th. Don't be disappointed at the end of the year when you don't have a Yearbook to commemorate all of the fun times you've had. Make sure to order now to guarantee your copy. Forms are available in the school office.

8th Grade Students and Parents - Baby Pictures for the Yearbook are also due on November 24th and can be dropped off at the office or to Room 16. Dedications can be purchased for \$15 and are due December 17th. Dedication forms will be available soon. Please email Mrs. K. Lee with any questions. Klee1@tusd.org

Agendas

Supplies are limited. Make sure to keep track of your assignments and due dates. Agendas can be purchased in the school office, while supplies last. Purchase yours today! Only \$7

Late Start Schedule for 8th Grade Students taking classes at South High

Please mark your calendars for the following South High School Late Start days. Students will attend their normally scheduled high school classes, then walk back to Calle Mayor for their scheduled middle school classes.

October 1, 6, 20

November 3, 17

December 1, 15

January 12

February 23

March 9, 23

April 13, 27

May 25

June 8

Parent Education

Positive Parenting and Successful Kids Classes taught by Peggy Tremayne - will be offered this fall from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon on Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20 & 27 at the Katy Geissert Public Library . To sign up, please see the attached flyer.

Plan Ahead - Student Free and No School Days

October 12 - Student Free Day

November 11 - Veteran's Day - No School

November 25, 26, 27 - Thanksgiving - No School

December 21 to January 4 - Winter Break - No School

January 18 - Martin Luther King Day - No School
January 29 - Student Free Day
February 8 - 's Birthday - No School
February 15 - Washington's Birthday - No School
April 5 - 9 - Spring Break - No School
May 31 - Memorial Day - No School

Upcoming Events

September 21 - 25 - Book Fair in the Library, before and after school
September 22 - Back to School Night/PTSA Assn Meeting
October 4 - 10 - Fire Prevention Week
October 9 - Progress Reports go home
October 12 - STUDENT FREE DAY
October 13 - PTSA Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Room 40
October 17 - 25 - Red Ribbon Week
October 23 - Make Up Picture Day
October 24 - Make a Difference Day
October 27 - Fall Concert
November 10 - PTSA Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Room 40
November 11 - Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL
November 13 - End of First Quarter
November 20 - Report Cards go home
November 24 – Concert featuring the Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band and Choir – Armstrong Theatre
November 25, 26, 27 - Thanksgiving - NO SCHOOL
December 2 – Award Assembly
December 8 – Winter Concert featuring the Beginning Band, and PTSA Association meeting – Calle Cafeteria
December 8 – Progress Reports go home
December 21 – January 4 – Winter Break – No School

Events Made Possible this Month by the Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA

Welcome Back Luncheon for Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA
Library
Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA Website
The Red Book
Adventures in Art Premiere
Weekly eYapper
Leadership Seminars for PTSA Board
School News

CALLE MAYOR STUDENT BULLETIN

DATES TO REMEMBER:

09/25 Student Council Speeches & Elections

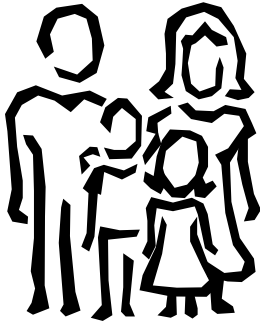
1. CAFETERIA – The Student ID number listed on your schedule is the number you use to apply money to your account. See Jeannie in the cafeteria to apply funds.
2. CJSF APPLICATIONS – Attention all 8th graders!! If you are qualified for CJSF, now is the time to apply. Applications are available in the office and from Mrs. Creek in Room 13. Application is due back to Mrs. Creek by Wednesday, September 23rd.
3. LUNCHESES & LUNCH MONEY – We do not deliver lunches or lunch money to students in Middle School. If you think your parent is going to drop off a lunch or money, check with Barbara in the office.

4. STUDENT COUNCIL – Applications to run for Student Council Officers are available in the office on the counter. Offices are Student Body President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, 6th Grade Class President, 7th Grade Class President, 8th Grade Class President, Commissioner of Activates, Commissioner of Publicity, and Commissioner of Spirit. Applications are due on Friday, September 21. Speeches and elections are on September 25.
5. LOST AND FOUND IS LOCATED IN THE OFFICE. SEE BARBARA AT RECESS OR LUNCH.
6. REMEMBER TO COVER YOUR BOOKS AND PUT YOUR NAME ON THE NAMEPLATE INSIDE THE FRONT COVER OF THE BOOK.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please email me at:
CallePTSA@verizon.net

....go ahead, don't be shy - email me and "Just Say Yes - to Volunteering".

Thank you,
Lisa Snowiss
Calle PTSA President
"Be the Dream Makers for Our Children"



Torrance Council of PTAs Presents

Positive Parenting & Successful Kids

A series of workshops for parents of children of all ages

Presenter: Peggy Tremayne, M.A., Ed. ♦ M.S., M.F.T.

2009 Fall Classes

Tuesdays – October 6, 13, 20 & 27

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Katy Geissert Public Library Conference Room

3301 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA 90503

- * Learn to understand and deal with your child and/or teenager’s misbehavior.
- * Learn to develop self-esteem in your children.
- * Improve positive communication in your home.
- * Learn to develop logical consequences and reduce the need for punishment.
- * Learn the power of family meetings.
- * Develop your confidence and power as a parent.

Fee for the **entire** series of Workshops

\$10.00 per person

Registration deadline: Monday, September 28, 2009

Checks made out to “**Torrance Council of PTAs**”

This is an **ADULT ONLY** class, no babysitting is provided

Questions? Contact Adele Kaplan

adelekaplan@ymail.com or (310) 539-8464

ABOUT THE PRESENTER...

Peggy Tremayne is a noted educator and Individual, Marriage, and Family Therapist. She was chosen "Woman of the Year" in the History of Torrance. As a former teacher, counselor and principal of North High School, she has a wealth of experience in dealing with families, children and teenagers.

Workshop participants highly recommend the program:

“Thank you for all my family for the gift of better parenting. The class brought more joy into my home and to my sons.”

“Finally a coherent way to combine discipline, communication skills, problem solving and all the other things we’ve heard a little bit about.”

“The class is wonderful... Ms. Tremayne is a great instructor.”

“We tried it. It works better and we get positive results!”

Positive Parenting & Successful Kids Workshop

Name (s) _____ Ages of children _____

School(s) attended by children _____

Home Phone _____ Cell/Wk Phone _____

Email (1) _____ (Only used for class reminder)

Email (2) _____



1. Sign-up one person per form. Form may be duplicated.
2. Make check payable to **Torrance Council of PTAs**. **\$10.00** per person.
3. Mail form and check to Adele Kaplan at 23018 Greenwood Avenue, Torrance, CA 90505

Calle Mayor Middle School

School Map

