



# Cabrillo Cub Newsette

CVC 33<sup>rd</sup> District A monthly newsletter published by the Cabrillo PTA to maintain quality communication between home and school.

## Principal's Message

### Report Cards / Parent - Teacher Conferences

Second trimester progress reports and Title One continuums will be distributed on March 22<sup>nd</sup> and parent conferences will run for five days only, March 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. The conference offers a special opportunity for parents and teacher to share information about the child. The best conferences end with both the parents and teacher feeling they have learned something about the child. We invite all parents to conference with their child's teacher, especially if for some reason you were unable to attend the conference in December.

We will make the conference mandatory if your child is at risk of being retained. **If your child is far below grade level at the end of the second trimester, you will receive a letter stating that retention is a possibility for the 2007/08 school year.** We strive to keep open the lines of communication between the home and school in order to ensure your child's success at Cabrillo.



#### Before you go:

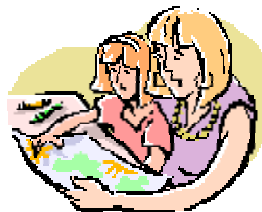
- Schedule the conference in advance and keep the appointment.
- Talk to your child about the conference and find out if your child has any comments, questions, or concerns that need to be addressed.
- Be ready to discuss your child's positive and negative school experiences.

#### At the Conference:

- Arrive on time.
- The teacher will tell you about your child's schoolwork. Here are some questions you might want to ask.
  - ✓ In what subject does my child do well?

- ✓ What needs improvement?
- ✓ What can I do at home to help my child?
- Be willing to share pertinent information and answer questions.
- If your child is on a Pupil Intervention Plan, his/her progress will be discussed.

Be aware that other parents are waiting for their conference. Leave promptly when your conference time ends.



#### When you get home:

- Tell your child something good that the teacher said about him/her.
- Begin working with your child on areas that need improvement and follow-up on suggestions made by the teacher.
- Keep communicating with the teacher throughout the year.

**ALL KINDERGARTEN, FIRST AND SECOND GRADE CLASSES WILL BE ON SHORTENED DAY SCHEDULE FROM MARCH 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. ALL STUDENTS WILL BE EARLY BIRDS.**

#### Attendance

Regular school attendance is important for many reasons. Children only learn school materials when they are at school. Most lessons are sequential in nature, with each lesson building on a previous lesson. Even though some of the work from a missed day can be made up, the lessons that were missed will not be taught again. Vacations, shopping trips, or other activities should be scheduled during non-school time.

As of September 1999, the State of California's Funding for School Attendance allows for no excuses. Students must be present for Wiseburn School District to collect ADA (Average Daily Attendance) funds. Please help us to maximize funding so that we can use the dollars to improve our schools' programs and services. If you find it necessary to have your child miss 5 or more days in a row, please ask the teacher for an Independent Study at least 5 days in advance.

**MARCH IS NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH. FIGHT OBESITY IN OUR SCHOOLS**

Please join us in teaching your children about healthy foods by making sure they eat a nutritious breakfast and bring healthy foods for snack and lunch. Some of our children don't eat a good breakfast and then come into the health office mid-morning for a snack. Stop this habit by being sure that your child eats breakfast before coming to school.

Why is teaching nutrition important?

- 1 in 5 school-age children in the United States is overweight or obese.
- Overweight children are at risk of developing heart disease and diabetes
- Overweight children have uncomfortable peer and social pressure
- Healthy children have higher classroom achievement



California Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell's goal is to improve the health of California's students! We at Cabrillo are accepting this challenge by teaching about good nutrition and encouraging physical activity. Participating in Walking Wednesdays is a good way to have your child get more physical activity.

Let's continue working together to make the next four months better than ever!

Sincerely,  
**Mrs. Jane L. Comitz**  
*Principal*

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**PTA President's Message**

It's hard to believe that we are finishing our second semester. We still have lots of exciting events to look forward to before the end of the year. We have Author's Day, field trips, Read-a-thon, Walk Around the Block, Open House, Book Fair, Hands on Art, Pet Photo Contest, our final assembly, year end class parties and our 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Farewell Pizza Luncheon.

It is already time for the PTA nominating committee to convene. Those who are on this committee will be looking for people to fill all of the PTA board and appointed positions. This is an easy way for you to contribute. The election will take place at our open association meeting that is held a half an hour before Open House in May. If you would like to be on this committee please call me at 310-990-5455

A big high five...the First Annual Cabrillo Jog-A-Thon, raised \$5,544. The Grand Prize (\$25 Toys-R-US Gift card) goes to Antoine Henry in Room 12.

**1<sup>st</sup> place by grade level (2 movie tickets)**

- Kinder-Gabriella Diaz
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Grace Covey
- 2<sup>nd</sup>-Jimmy Diaz

**2<sup>nd</sup> place by grade level (\$10 Borders gift card)**

- Kinder-Marilyn Romero
- 1<sup>st</sup>-Brandon Jacobson
- 2<sup>nd</sup>-Peter Rocca

The Top class was Mr. Spiwak- Room A. Every student who bought in \$5 or more received a Juan Cabrillo bracelet.

Thank you for your continued support,  
**Jennifer Morgan**  
*PTA President*

**PTA Meeting: March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Goodie Sale: March 21st**

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## Grocery Store “Club Cards”

Did you know Cabrillo could receive up to \$500 per month per grocery store? If you’re a VONS, Albertsons/Savons or Ralph’s shopper, please enroll your club cards today! We need everyone to enroll their reward cards in order to earn these funds!

Food 4 Less offers a card for school rewards only... just request a card from PTA. If you haven't enrolled, you can pick up a form in the Cabrillo office.

Thanks for your participation!



## Reading Is An Adventure!

Spring Break is coming up soon and so is our annual Spring Readathon! This is such a fun event for all the Cabrillo students; we hope to have each child participate. Everyone who reads gets an award for participating and the top readers can win prizes of new books, gift certificates to the Spring Book Fair and even a chance to take a limo ride and have lunch with Mrs. Comitz!

The Readathon benefits Cabrillo School in different ways. It is important that each student can read at their grade level or above, and the more they read, the better they get! It also encourages parents to get involved in their child’s learning, by reading to them or with them and by cheering them on as they work for success! Of course, there is the money raised by the readers through their sponsors. The Readathon adds to the funds we can use to provide our students with new classroom materials to keep up with their growing interests and skills.

Readathon packets will be sent home March 30th. The children can start gathering pledges that day. The reading will begin on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Reading ends on April 16th and all pledges are due by April 25th.

Please encourage your child and other Cabrillo parents you know to put their all into the Spring Readathon. The theme this year is “Reading Is An Adventure”. Use it as a jumping off point to find out what your child is into. The more interest a child has in the subject, the more they’ll want to read about it. Visit our local Wiseburn Library to find just the right books for your child and read them for FREE!

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## Cabrillo School Calendar of Events

### March

- 2 Dr. Seuss Day: Read Across America
- 5 PTA Meeting, 7:15pm
- 7 Hands on Art Docent Workshop: 7PM
- 8 School Board Meeting: 7PM: District Office
- 9 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester
- 12-22 Hands-on-Art: Mosaic Tiles
- 13 School Site Council: 3:15 pm
- Love and Logic Parent Mt. at Anza: 6:30
- 14 Authors’ Day : K, 1 and 2 are all Early Birds
- 16 Kindergarten Student Success
- 17 St. Patrick’s Day



- 21 First and Second Grades Student Success
- 22 Report Cards go home
- 23 Staff Development Day: No School
- 26-30 Parent Conferences: K,1,and 2: Early Birds
- 26-30 Kindergarten Registration
- 31 Rock Around the Block at Anza Fields



## STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY – FEBRUARY 2007



### Kindergarten

Room A: Jeremy Davila-Hurst  
Melia Kohler

Room 11: Stephanie Alcor  
Kayli Boyle

Room B: Tracey Hoa  
Joseph Ika

Room 16: Marilyn Romero  
Nermeen Saed

Room 4: Amanda Estoque  
Yesny Mendez

Room 17: Lauren Miller  
Liliana Salvatierra

### First Grade

Room 1: Ariana Galvan-Hernandez  
Alyssa Ultreras

Room 13: Dalton Schuneman  
Malan Smith

Room 2: Chloe Truhlar  
Rianna Williams

Room 14: Mark Andal  
Paola Ricardo

Room 10: Tomas Aguayo  
Emely De Leon-Chang

Room 19: James Perez  
Cristina Salvatierra

Room 12: Jorge Cevallos  
Alexcis Manuatu

### Second Grade

Room 5: Jasmine Hidalgo  
Nathan Primbsch

Room 9: Michael Palma  
Kloe' Shellmire

Room 6: Elena Campos  
Nathan Magana

Room 23: Cassidy Major  
Mena Samaan

Room 7: Justin Bonilla  
Julia Urquizo

Room 24: Adriana Bood  
Paul Perez-Borja

Room 8: Dominic Overby  
Reema Shinh