

# Del Cerro Dolphin Newsletter

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*The Del Cerro Newsletter is going Green!*



In an effort to reduce waste and energy the newsletter will be going to an e-letter format. Log on to [www.delcerro.org](http://www.delcerro.org) and in the bottom left hand corner you can sign up to receive the newsletter via e-mail. All newsletters are available for you to pull up on the website at anytime as well. For anyone still requiring a paper copy there will be some printed copies kept in the office each month for pick up. This will begin with the Nov. newsletter.

## Principal's Message

By, Dr. Larry Callison



School is off and running! We have completed Back-To-School Night for most of our classes. (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> are this week). The parking lot is finally done and the new 4/5 class is formed with a great teacher, Mrs. Sue Marron, and smiling and hard-working students getting comfortable with their new classroom. The staff reports that this has been a very smooth opening. Our teachers have worked very hard to get classrooms ready and organized for their students.

Please continue to practice parking lot safety at Del Cerro! Some important "Rules of the Road" include:

- Share rides
- Leave a few minutes early
- Do not park in red zones
- Do not double park
- Use drop-off pick-up lane
- Drive slowly

Some reminders to help our neighbors include:

- Do not make u-turns near school or turn around using a private driveway
- Do not leave trash or move trash cans
- Do not block or park in private driveways
- Always be polite to other drivers and children

Student safety is Job #1 for all of us at Del Cerro. Each of us must do our part to keep everyone here safe.

We had many new parents at our 1<sup>st</sup> PTA meeting on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Please join us on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in our MPR for our second meeting. Our new librarian, Rebecca Rohde, will provide an overview of our new library and answer questions. She has lots of good information that parents will want to have. I hope to have a short but informative staff presentation at each meeting.

A special thank you to Taco Bell on La Paz for providing lunch for students having "Lunch with the Principal" last week. These students were recognized by their class for practicing the three "R's – Respect, Responsible, Reasonable and Scholarly". October will be a busy and active month so please stay informed and join us as time permits.

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## President's Message

By, Julie Fretwell

Well it's been an interesting few weeks to say the least! Hopefully everyone is adjusting well to the larger number of students, teachers, classrooms and cars! We had a great time at our Welcome Back BBQ and I want to thank Elizabeth Rodriguez for once again doing a lot of organizing and shopping to pull that off. I also want to thank all of the volunteers that helped with setup, serving and cleanup. Activities at Del Cerro wouldn't be a success without volunteers.

The PTA Officers have been hard at work counting the money that you have been sending in to pay for various items. This is our second year using our accounting program, so it's still a learning experience for those of us that used it last year and a crash course for all of our new Officers. Because it's still relatively new, we keep trying to figure out ways to make the paperwork and check writing as simple and straight forward as possible. I know that writing several checks for your children was a bit annoying, but counting multiple checks for over 600 students wasn't that easy either. This is all in the efforts to make sure all students' records and all product reports are accurate. If everything works how I think it should, paperwork and check writing will be less next year. I am looking to send home receipts by early November. Please keep your receipts! The PTA Student Directory will be coming home in November as well.

Hopefully you were able to attend Back to School Night on September 30<sup>th</sup>. I hope you enjoyed meeting your child's teacher and learning how your child spends their day at Del Cerro.

Please join us at one of our family activities this month: Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night, October 14  
Bingo Family Fun Night, October 16<sup>th</sup>  
Happy Fall!

Julie Fretwell  
Del Cerro PTA President  
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### Del Cerro Elementary School Schedule

**Full Day Schedule: Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri.**

Kindergarten AM	8:00-11:30
Kindergarten PM	11:00-2:30
Grades 1-3	8:30-2:45
Grades 4-6	8:25-2:45

**Minimum Day Schedule: Wednesday**

Kindergarten AM	8:00-10:42
Kindergarten PM	10:20-1:02
Grades 1-3	8:30-1:10
Grades 4-6	8:25-1:10

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**PTA General Meeting  
Monday, October 19, 2009**

**\*\*Policy Regarding Fundraising\*\***

All fundraising and distribution of flyers for fundraising must be presented at the General PTA Meetings to be put on the agenda and approved. If you have fundraising ideas please contact the Ways and Means Director, Leslie Jackson @ [lesley\\_jackson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lesley_jackson@sbcglobal.net)



**Reminder: No Dogs are allowed on campus before, during, or after school. Thank you!**

### Calendar of Events



**October 2009**

- 2 Fall Fundraiser Sales End
- 13 District Wide Disaster Drill
- 14 Chuck E. Cheese Night 4p-9p Laguna Hills
- 16 BINGO Family Fun Night - MPR
- 17 Red Ribbon Walk Mission Viejo
- 19 PTA General Meeting 7:00 pm MPR
- 19-23 Red Ribbon Week
- 20 Hearing & Vision Screening
- 21 Jamba Juice at 1:10pm in front of school
- 23 Fun Friday
- 23 2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip to Trabuco Field Study
- 28 Meet the Musicians Assembly for 4-6 in the MPR 9:00a.m.
- 30 Lunch with the Principal
- 31



**November 2009**



- 2 No School Staff Development Day
- 5 Fall Fundraiser Delivery
- 6 Make-up Picture Day 8:25 – 11:00 am
- 9 Fuddrucker's Fundraiser Night 4p-9p Lake Forest
- 11 No School – Veteran's Day
- 13-20 Book Fair – Minimum Days – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 16 PTA General Meeting 7:00 pm MPR
- 26-27 Thanksgiving Holiday



- 30 Holiday Boutique – Parent Preview



**Lunch with the Principal**

Congratulations to the 3 R's students who had lunch with the Principal in September.

- Brandon Arnold \* Melissa Gjokaj \* Vicky McDonough \* Katherine Boothe \* Patrick Huynh \* Martin Nguyen \* Stone Dumas \* Connor Felt \* Shelby Laitipaya \* Ava Butterbaugh \* Ashley Zundel \* Chris Mitchell \* Jack Allen \* Andy Le \* Troy Wilkerson \* Sophia Rodriguez \* Ryan Dove \* Arianna Ruvalcaba \* Autumn Emmett \* Winter Whitlock \* Tomas Gabella



**Astronomy @ the Library Event**

Scopes-4-Schools, Inc. is hosting another free public astronomy event – this time at the Foothill Ranch Public Library on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009. The “Astronomy @ the Library” event is part of the International Year of Astronomy – a celebration of the 400<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of when Galileo first turned his telescope to study the heavens.

Activities include:

- Hubble Space Telescope Exhibit
- Videos on telescopes and astronomy
- Astronomy arts and crafts – make a Sun Dial
- Solar viewing with Hydrogen Alpha telescopes
- Night time star party (at Borrego Park – right next to the Foothill Ranch Library)

**Recycling Program**



Now that we are all back in the swing of this school thing, it is time to drink up and recycle! There are now four bins in the MPR, front and back, and both side doors.

If your teacher has a bin, feel free to bring your clean bottles and cans directly, and I will pick them up.

If you have a large amount, they can be dropped out front by the flagpole or by the school sign near the crosswalk. Remember; try to make sure they are clean and not leaking if possible. Once again, only CRV beverage containers, so anything else you need to recycle by your own trash service.

Also, as I am still getting questions, we are not doing the plastic bag recycling this year, as Wal-Mart is not sponsoring it any longer. Many grocery stores will take them for you.

Thanks so much for supporting Del Cerro recycling efforts! We are off to a good start--keep it up!

Bill Michelle

If you need help or information, please email me at [blucake@cox.net](mailto:blucake@cox.net).



**Ink Cartridge Recycling**

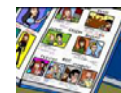
Please bring your empty printer cartridges to school and we will recycle them for you. This is a great fundraiser through Staples for our school.



**DISABILITY RESOURCE FAIR**

Presented by:  
W.E.C.A.R.E. Career Division SVUSD & CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS

Please Join Us  
OCTOBER 13, 2009  
6:00PM-8:00PM  
Laguna Hills Community Center - 25555 Alicia Parkway  
Discover the many services, organizations and agencies available for those with special needs of all ages.  
\*Benefits\*Education\*Employment\*Health\*Housing  
\*Outreach\*Recreation\*Social Services\*Support Groups\*Technology and More!  
Refreshments served.  
For more information contact:  
Jackie Kashima @ W.E.C.A.R.E. (949) 830-5302  
[kashimaj@svusd.org](mailto:kashimaj@svusd.org)



**Yearbooks**

The deadline to pre-order yearbooks is October 30<sup>th</sup>. The price is still \$17. If you don't have an order form, please visit the Del Cerro Website at [delcerro.org](http://delcerro.org) and click on “PTA Forms” under PTA or visit the front office for an already printed copy. The last chance order forms will not go out until January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Julie Fretwell  
Yearbook Chairperson  
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**Library Assistance**

If you have time available and are looking for a way to make a difference at school we need your help in the Library. If you are interested in helping please contact: Anne Helmstetter @ [annie710@cox.net](mailto:annie710@cox.net)



**Medical Assistance**

Laguna Beach Community Clinic is offering low cost medical care for children. The services include Medical care, physical exams, vaccinations, hearing and vision screens, and tests for anemia, lead and diabetes. Their address is Laguna Beach Community Clinic, 362 Third St., Laguna Beach, CA 92651. The phone number is (949) 494-0761 Fax: (949) 497-9922. Hours are: Mon – Fri: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sat: 8:00 a.m. to Noon

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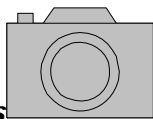


### PTA Membership

Hello Del Cerro Families!!!

Membership for the PTA is going GREAT! If you haven't turned in your membership form and dues please do so as soon as possible. **\$10 Single Membership, \$20 Family Membership, and \$25 Business.** If you want to be in the Business category you must sign up for either a Family or Single Membership and then a Business (ex: Family=\$20 Business=\$25 (\$20+\$25=\$45) or Single=\$10 Business=\$25 (\$10+\$25=\$35). If you would like your child to be in the Directory you must be a member and have your information turned in no later than October 15, 2009. If you want your business card to be in the directory (membership dues+\$25 Business donation) please turn it in no later than October 15 as well. We would like to get the directory out to the families as quickly as we can. The sooner you get your membership turned in the better! Thank you all for supporting the children of Del Cerro! We couldn't do it without you!

Amy Cortez  
Membership



### Calling all Photographers

We need volunteers to take pictures for the yearbook. We need pictures from the Welcome Back BBQ, Family Fun Nights, Jog-a-thon and just daily life at Del Cerro! If you are available, please let me know and I'll get you started!

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### Partner Programs

Want an easy way to help the school raise money without costing you any? Register your Albertson's and Ralph's shopping cards and money will be donated back to the school. Encourage friends and family members to do the same... Please re-link your cards even if you have done so in the past.



go to [www.albertsonscp.com](http://www.albertsonscp.com) enter your preferred card # and enter Del Cerro's Community Partner ID 49000117980



go to [www.ralphs.com](http://www.ralphs.com) on the right hand side of the page click on Community Contribution and follow sign up instructions. Once you get the confirmation e-mail then you can go in and add Del Cerro as the partner. Partnership # 82645

### Box Tops for Education Campbell's Soup Labels



Make sure that you are saving your Box Tops and Labels! What a great and easy way to raise money for our school!



### Chuck E Cheese Spirit Night

Wednesday, Oct 14

4:00 pm – 9:00 pm

26538-H Moulton Pkwy, Laguna Hills  
Presale tokens 10 for \$1.50, Bonus free food coupons with order. Cash or checks only to Del Cerro PTA



Try a healthy Jamba Juice Smoothie during Red Ribbon Week

Wednesday, October 21 1:10 PM - In front of the school

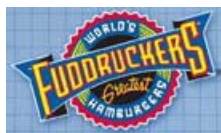
**\$2.00 - 8 oz    \$4.00 16 oz**

**Caribbean Passion**- passion fruit-mango juice, strawberries, peaches, orange sherbet

**Strawberries Wild** - strawberries, bananas, apple-strawberry juice, non-fat frozen yogurt

**Mango-A-Go-Go** - mangos, passion fruit-mango juice, pineapple sherbet

**Razzmatazz** - mixed berry juice, strawberries, bananas, orange sherbet



Come to Del Cerro's Spirit Night

**Monday, November 9th 4-9 PM**

Fuddruckers [23621 El Toro Road](http://23621ElToroRoad), Lake Forest

**Don't forget to bring the flyer so we can get credit!**