

# World Famous Castlemont Courier

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Castlemont School, in an educational partnership with the community, is dedicated to teaching children to become caring, competent, responsible citizens in a rapidly changing world.

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A California Distinguished School

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December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009



**Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

Staff Appreciation Lunch, 11:00 am

**December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup>**

Winter Break, No School

**Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

MLK Jr. Day – No School

## Courier Goes Green!!!

<http://lists.campbellusd.org/lists>

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## Thank You Book Fair Volunteers!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make our Book Fair a successful and fun event this year. A special thanks to Ms. Brindle whose support was critical to the success of the Book Fair.

## Student Council Update

By Rita Manalastas, Diego Beltran  
& Katie Bieber

The student council has been busy this year. In October, we collected gently used costumes to hand out to students who needed them. We were able to give away over 80 costumes. In November, we organized a canned food drive to help out Castlemont families in need. In December, we collected toys for foster children and in January, we will be starting a school-wide recycling program. We are working hard to make Castlemont the best school ever.

## A Note from the Principal, Ms. Ivy Sarratt

The Season of Joy - There is always something very special about this time of year. There is a spirit in the air. Regardless of the commercialism in our streets and stores, a spirit of joy and sharing always seems to prevail during the holiday season.

Our children bring us a special joy during this season, as we share time together with our friends and family. As the year draws to an end, let's remember that the best gift to give your children is your time.

That is the foundation we build in shaping the kind of adults our children will become. Children bring us their special gifts and we can build their confidence and self esteem during those crucial formative years if we as adults:

- Remember people, not things, matter most.
- Love and accept our children from the day they are born.
- Respect our children's individual differences and appreciate each child's unique capabilities.
- When we think good thoughts about our children, tell them.
- Make time to do the important things we value most.

It is important to get in touch with how our children see and experience the holidays. Cherish the moments of the season of joy with your children, family and friends. These are the experiences that give richness and meaning to our lives and are to be treasured and fondly remembered in years to come.

## The Three "R's"

Dragon Power! The following classes were "caught" demonstrating the 3 R's:

Miss Becher  
Mrs. Shev  
Ms. Stark



Mrs. Schubert  
Mrs. Albright  
Mrs. Newton

## Happy Donuts Fundraiser

Visit Happy Donuts during the months of December and January, mention Castlemont and our school will receive 10% of the proceeds, no flyer necessary! Happy Donuts is located in the shopping center at Winchester and Payne.

## Scheduled Family Fun Nights

In order to save on paper, printing and distribution costs we are letting you know, by Courier, that we have been working with our local merchants to hold regularly scheduled Family Fun Night fund raising events. We are happy to announce the first two participants:

- **Mountain Mike's Pizza** at 301 E. Hamilton Ave. will hold FFN events on the second Thursday of each month starting January, 2010.
- **Subway Sandwich** at 330 E. Hamilton Ave. will hold FFN events every Tuesday afternoon from the time school gets out to 6:00 pm.

## HSC January Meeting Cancelled

Please be aware that the January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 HSC Meeting is cancelled. Please plan on attending the February 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as we'll have a special appearance by CUSD Superintendent Johanna VanderMolen.

**Castlemont HSC Website**

<http://castlemont-hsc.org>