



The Riggio Review Newsletter | August 2026

Important Dates

More information on monthly events will be sent out to parent square as the date approaches.

August 6th: First Day of School

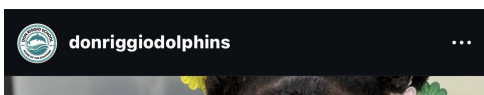
August 11th: Back to School Night

August 25th: Vision Screening for new students

September 1st: PTSA Meeting



🌟 From the Principal's Desk: An Awfully Big Adventure!



Dear Dolphin Families,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you and your family had a w summer filled with rest, adventure, and time together. As we begin exciting year at Don Riggio School, I want to express how grateful I part of such a caring, dedicated, and supportive community. There something special about our Dolphins, and I cannot wait to see all t students accomplish this year.

This year marks an important chapter in the history of Don Riggio S many of you know, this will be our final school year before we trans becoming a middle school. While change often brings mixed emoti creates opportunities to build something extraordinary. We are corr making this a memorable year for every student while thoughtfully for an exciting future that will continue to serve the needs of our co

Our focus remains the same: providing a safe, welcoming, and eng learning environment where every child is challenged academically socially and emotionally, and encouraged to discover their unique t Whether your child is joining us for the first time or returning for an please know that they are an important part of the Don Riggio fami

One of the highlights of this school year will be our annual school p Jr. We are thrilled to continue our tradition of bringing the performir life through the talents of our students. School productions create opportunities for students to build confidence, develop teamwork, discover gifts they may never have realized they had. We encourag interested students to audition and become part of this exciting exp

As the beloved musical reminds us, **"The sun'll come out tomorrow"** simple words capture the optimism and resilience we hope to inspi one of our students. No matter the challenges we may face, each n



brings fresh opportunities to learn, grow, and support one another.

Thank you for your continued partnership and trust. Together, we w
our traditions, embrace new opportunities, and ensure that every D
an outstanding school year. I look forward to seeing our students th
families engaged, and our community come together to make this a
unforgettable year.

Here's to an amazing year ahead!

Warmly,

Chris Livengood

Principal, Don Riggio School 🐬

Everyone give a big High Five
to our new Assistant Principal,
Ms. Shannon Reed!



Hello Families!

I am thrilled to introduce myself as the new Assistant Principal at Don Riggio School! ! It is an honor to join this wonderful school community, and I look forward to getting to know our students and families throughout the school year.

This year marks my 9th year in education. I began my career as a classroom teacher and have spent much of my career working with middle school students as an English Language Arts teacher. I have also had the opportunity to teach Leadership and serve as a district ELA lead teacher, experiences that have allowed me to work with students, families, and educators across a variety of settings.

Throughout my career, I have been guided by a simple belief: every student deserves to feel seen, valued, and supported.. I believe that strong relationships between students, families, and schools are essential to helping children thrive. As a parent myself, I understand the trust families place in their children's schools and the importance of knowing that their children are cared for and encouraged every day. I look forward to building those relationships with Don Riggio families and partnering with you to support your children.

I am excited to join the Don Riggio community and to partner with our principal, staff, students, and families to continue creating a school where students feel safe, supported, challenged, and excited to learn. I especially enjoy getting to know students through the things that matter to them—whether that means hearing about their favorite book, learning about a hobby, or bonding over stories about their lives. I have found that some of the most meaningful relationships with students begin with the everyday interests and experiences that make each student unique.

Please know that I value communication and collaboration, and I welcome the opportunity to ge

you. I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the school year and to working together support our students.

I am so excited to begin this new chapter as Assistant Principal. I look forward to a wonderful sc filled with learning, growth, connection, and success!

Warmly,

Shannon Reed

Assistant Principal



Our Campus Monitors are excited to see everyone back to school!



ELAC Meeting

Come join our English Learner Advisory Committee! Help the school better support English language learners. Meet other families and build connections to our school community. Snacks and coffee included. Our next meeting is on **September 1st at 7:30am in the STEAM Lab**. See you there!

PTSA Updates



Check out the latest PTSA news.

Hello Don Riggio Families and Happy Fall!!

Spirit Wear: Squadlocker is up and running if you're looking for Spirit Wear.

We added new logos and a tie-dyed t-shirt!!<https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/don-riggio-dolphins>

Volunteers: PTSA still needs more parents to get involved. Reach out to your child's teacher or the office if you are interested in helping out.

Membership Drive: This year PTSA will not be having the traditional membership drive, however, parents can donate the membership fee that will go directly to support students!



Announcements and Shoutouts

Look for details on Facebook, Parent Square and a flyer sent home to students. We are so thankful for the dedicated Don Riggio teachers

PTSA, please contact your child's teacher or the Don Riggio office, and put you on our list to reach out to when we host special events and You can reach us at clivengood@lUSD.net

Visit our Dolphins website: dr.lUSD.net

Comments & Replies