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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June is here and this is the last Weekly Update for the 2012-2013 school year. What a year it has been! Although the school year is coming to a close, little ever winds down at the South Shore Charter Public School. This month the plans for the high school renovation project are now underway and we are ready to begin and complete construction over the summer. Our Strategic Plan is rapidly transforming into the map to chart our course for the next five years of growth, and will be ready for publication by August. And most importantly, our students continue to achieve and succeed.

Of all of these successes would not have been possible without our wonderful faculty and our highly supportive families. At the June Parents Association Meeting we honored all of our parent volunteers who have donated their time so generously to make our school a better place. This year 161 parents gave over four thousand hours of volunteer time. Our parents are dedicated, kind, and amazing. They teach FIT classes in physical education, Spanish, and architecture. Tthey volunteer in classrooms, organize reading groups, sojourn to ski mountains, cater for our events, work in the library, shoot photographs, craft paper mache globes, and volunteer at Touch a Truck, the Drive fore the Future golf tournament, and the Harvest Run. Our parent engagement knows no bounds and we truly appreciate all of our volunteers:

Karen Crays

Jim Cruetz

Janet Dalev

Stephen Crowley

Lisa Aiello Leslie Alden Pam Algera Nikki Atkins Katie Aucella Heidi Aylward Stefani Baldwin Leigh Balzer Kerry Benjamin Cathy Bowman Karen Boyle **Bev Bruce** Lisa Bumbalo Julie Burke Colette Bycinte Janet Cabrera Jorge Cabrera Maura Cahill-Carson Tina Carv Lori Childs Rudy Childs Marylynn Chu

Mickey Ciambriello

Matt Collins

Sarah Collins

Ken Daley Kim Dalton Charles Dannison Laurie Dannison Heather Dans Lisa Dehner Joanna Deibel Denise Demaggio Joe Demaggio Elissa Dennis Patty Downey Sue Duchaney Tara Dusthimer Denise Eames Kelley Ekas-Greenberg Kim Elliot-Isabel Sheilagh Eraklis Jill Estabrooks Beth Fama Beth Farmer Andrea Feeney

Beth Flanagan Michael Flanagan Melissa Freitas Jennifer Gammon Annette Golden Gema Gray Kerry Griffin Susie Guthro **Christopher Harting** Heidi Harting Christina Harvey Mark Harvey Lisa Harvey-Mone Meredith Harward Renee Hearn Maureen Hebert Mike Hebert Aisling Hickey Kerry Hnath Margaret Hoffman Caitriona Hollowed Stephen Hollowed Tara Iorio

Jenn Jordan

Sarah Kalemkeridis

Priscilla Kelly Marie Mccormack Tyler Rubin Claire Krasnow Donna McCrorey Kristine Russo Kris LaRue Kathy McDonald Caitlin Sheils Adrienne McDougall Sean LaRue Barbara Stephens Megan Mckee-Stevens Christina LeBlanc Kim Sullivan Yeemay Miller Mary Sullivan Candy Lee Holly Lee Lizanne Moffat Damian Sullivan Ken Lee Kirsten Mullen Joe Sullivan Christina Lester Kathy Muse Kathy Tan Dawn Nevarez Katie Tierney Richard Levitt Gary Nisbet Beth Toma Alexis Levitt Kitman Tsang Karen Long Kristin Norman Maura Longueil Mary Oxner Chito Uyanwune David Oxner Jessica Lussier Arnette Val Alan Lyons Deb Paquette Lisa VanWinkle Kim MacDonald Kevin Paquette Gwen Watchorn Kerri MacDonald Lisa Parsons Cissy White Garry MacDougall Lisa Perachi Jennifer White Laura MacDougall Matt Perachi Bethany Whitemyer Iris Mahegan Justina Pettinelli David Whitemyer Laura Mahn Jeanne Whitman Jenn Pina Susan Mallon **Bonnie Preston** Sandra Williams Hope Malnati Chelsea Prichard Tracey Wilson Tanya Maniscalco Peggy Pucillo Troy Wilson Daniela Manning Jody Regan Cyndi Wormald Stephen Manning Edwin Rivera Josh Wright Kate Youngclaus Larry Marchese **Debbie Rogers** Matt Zakrzewski Laura Masciulli Stacy Rousseau Chris Mattuchio Theona Royer

Thank you for your time, your commitment, and your belief in our school. We could not do it without you.

Have a safe and restful summer.

Alicia Savage — asavage@sscps.org

Wednesday	06/19	Early Release	12:00pm
Thursday	06/20	Level III Awards	10:30am
Thursday	06/20	Early Release	12:00pm
Thursday	06/20	Board of Trustees • Facilities Committee 5:30pm • Development Committee 6:15pm • Finance Committee 6:15pm	7:30pm

HEALTH OFFICE

Please remember to pick up any medications your child may have in the Health Office by the last day of school. Any medication left in the Health office after June 20th will be disposed of.

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE

This will be the last community service update for the school year. Remember to continue working on your student's community service requirements over the summer which will count toward their requirements for the 2013-2014 school year. This will also be my last community service update as your Community Service chair. I have enjoyed working in this position the past two years helping to support families and their students in their search for community service opportunities and seeing what students have done. Sarah Collins will be the new chair starting in August and I know she will do a great job. Have a safe and happy summer!!!!

Name of Organization	Dates	Website
Relay for Life	Saturday & Sunday, June 14-15 Weymouth High School	http://main.acsevents.org
Bike Rides for Multiple Sclerosis	June 29 th - Boston May 4 th - Martha's Vineyard	Nationalmssociety.org
PAN Challenge for Adults	August 3 & 4	http://www.pnc.org/ride/routes

Please check the web sites for further information on these upcoming events.

COMMUNITY INTEREST

Rockland Trust has launched its annual "Reading Makes Cents" program. Students can earn \$2.50 in a Rockland Trust savings account for every book they read up to a maximum of 10 books. This program is for students entering grades 1 though 8. For more information click on the following link:

 $\underline{http://www.rocklandtrust.com/modules/press-details/Rockland-Trust-Expands-Annual-Reading-Makes-Cent-Program-Invites-MetroNorth-Schoolchildren-to-Participate/143.aspx}$

Bring this flyer with you!

DINING FOR A CAUSE

THE ENTIRE MONTH OF MAY AND OF JUNE!

We encourage you to bring your family and friends to lunch, dinner, ice cream, or mini golf at:



190 VFW Drive, Rockland, MA 02370 T:781.871.0210





Miniature golfing only available at Magoo's

T: 781.331.2988



330 Bridge Street Rte. 3A, Weymouth MA 02191

Magoo's and Michele's are donating 20% of your total bill to SSCPS!

2013 YEARBOOK

Inspired by You

It's That Time...

Dear Parent:

The 2013 yearbook is now in progress and all the memories of the 2012-2013 school year will be published forever in print. A yearbook is a trip back to those fun times in school when friends were forever and life was an exciting promise. It captures that feeling and brings those times back again and again. Someday your kids will want to look back, too. Buy them a little time — buy them a yearbook!

So please fill out the order form below, calculate and attach your payment, and bring or mail to the main office today!

Student name			
Home Phone (in case there are any question	ns on order)		
Homeroom	Grade		
Order Options: Check the box next to the option of your choice and mail payment with completed form to the address listed below. Books will be distributed in June. 2013 Hardcover Yearbook - 25.00 2013 Softcover Yearbook - 20.00 (limited quantity)			
Total Amount Enclosed (cash or check): Please make checks payable to: South Shore Charter Public School Send completed form and payment to: SSCPS 2013 Yearbook South Shore Charter Public School 100 Longwater Circle			

Norwell, MA. 02061

Parents Association

2012-2013

Chair: Lisa Harvey-Mone

End of Year Summary

The mission of the South Shore Charter Public School Parents Association (PA) is to serve the school community and participate in the governance and growth of SSCPS. The PA advocates for all parents, students, and the school itself, and strives to create and maintain an environment where trustees, administrators, faculty, parents, and other stakeholders work together to pursue common goals.

To these ends, this year the SSCPS Parents Association has focused on and accomplished the following:

Item	Accomplishments
	Team building
	Tweaked meeting structure
Summer planning for all elected officials	Planned for school year
	Collected Annual Fund donations
	Streamlined PA letter for August mailing
Created Executive Officer Board meetings	Developed a new meeting structure:
created Executive Officer Board Meetings	Impact, information, inquiry
	Speakers included:
	Athletic Director: Sports Overview
	Chiropractors: Healthy or Sick?
Introduced regular schedule of guest	Facilities Chair BOT: What are current plans with facilities?
speakers to educate our parents	Clerk BOT: What is the BOT? What is it for?
	7-12 Principal: Bullying Presentation
	7-12 Principal: High School Overview
	Director of Learning Services: SPED overview- 504, IEP
	Major rewrite of PA Bylaws Revised PA Bylaws – most important: intro of
Maior counity of DA Dulous	Annual Budget, clarification and expansion of duties and responsibilities
Major rewrite of PA Bylaws	for exec officers and committee chairs, adoption of better processes for
	technology and communications.
	Released grant requests in Fall and Spring for funding for special
	projects.
	Fall Distribution: \$2076.80
	Funded items: mobile listening center, howda hugz seat, weighted lap
Grants Task Force	pads, lined portrait bare books, directory, library shelves, animal
	supplies
	Spring Distribution \$:2149.66
	Funded items: soccer uniforms, Spanish books, magazine subscriptions,
	library books, creative writing books, sugar cubes for pyramid building
Health & Safety	Researched and presented opportunities to both school and PA
Arts & Music	Continuation of musical instrument instruction program
	Oversight of the Boston City Singers Chorus program
Technology & Communications	Planning for domain name and streamlining technology for PA

	
	Annual Fund
	Dining for a Cause
	Christmas Tree Sales
	Rockland-Hanson Raffle
	Auction
Fundraising	Harvest Run
	Touch a Truck
	Golf/Auction
	Derby Street Events
	Vendor Fair
	Sold Advertising for SSCPS Directory
	100% participation of elected PA Officials by September 2012
	All Officials working to educate parents regarding the importance of
Focus on Annual Fund	contributing to the Annual Fund
	All Officials working to secure contributions from parents (particularly
	grade reps and executive officers)
	Back to School Picnic
Community Building/Welcoming Events	Open Houses
, , ,	Kindergarten Playgroup
	Thursdays and Saturdays- July and August
5 10 1 . 51	Morning playgroup to acclimate incoming kindergarteners to the school
Focus on Kindergarten Playgroup	and answer parent questions
	Friend-building
	August survey to determine interests and talents of volunteer pool
Volunteer Coordination	Matching of school needs with appropriate volunteers (fundraising, FIT,
	classroom needs, etc.)
	Weekly service opportunities for families and/or students published in
Community Service	the SSCPS Update
	Participation in Strategic Planning
	Recruiting and Selection of parent representatives for Education
Participation in Governance	Committee
	Recruiting and Selection of parent representatives for School Council