



# SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

## WEEKLY UPDATE

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<b>Thursday</b>	<b>01/13</b>	<b>Level 2 Field Trip to MFA</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>01/13</b>	<b>Personnel Committee</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>01/13</b>	<b>Parents Association</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>01/14</b>	<b>Level 2 Art Force Bake Sale</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>01/16</b>	<b>Jaguars @ home vs. Prospect Hill Academy Hingham Middle School</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>01/17</b>	<b>MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY</b>	<b>No School</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>01/18</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>5:50pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>01/18</b>	<b>Financial Aid Night</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>01/19</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Morning Coffee with Mike</b>	<b>8:15am</b>
<b>Wednesday - Friday</b>	<b>01/19-21</b>	<b>Mid-Year Exams Grades 9-12 - Early Release</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>01/19</b>	<b>Jaguars @ Academy of the Pacific Rim</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS A NEW WEB ADDRESS.** Due to the recent addition of the word "public" to our school's name, our domain name has now changed to **www.sscps.org**. To email a member of the faculty or staff use "[first initial last name](mailto:first initial last name@sscps.org)"@sscps.org. For example, to send a message to an SSCPS employee named John Doe, please email [jdoe@sscps.org](mailto:jdoe@sscps.org).

Additionally, we have set up two parent email lists. Both lists include all email addresses that the school has on file for families in our community.

[parentnews@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parentnews@lists.sscps.org) - will be used by SSCPS for official school news only. Please note- any changes or additions to email addresses should be directed to [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org).

[parents@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parents@lists.sscps.org) - is a discussion/communication list for parents use. Any parent may unsubscribe from this list by e-mailing [parents-optout@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parents-optout@lists.sscps.org).

**7TH AND 8TH GRADE ROCK & BOWL SOCIAL** organized by parents.

**What:** "Rock and Bowl" featuring disco lights and a DJ

**Where:** Hanover Bowladrome, Rte 139, Hanover, 781-826-4061

**When:** Friday, January 21st, from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

The cost is \$8 per student, and includes shoes, pizza, drinks, paper goods, and a glow-in-the-dark necklace for each person. Tickets may be purchased in school from Alyse Algera. Students may buy tickets for guests who are also in the 7th or 8th grade. Please purchase your tickets by Tuesday, January 18 (the day after MLK Day), so that we can give an accurate count of the group to the Hanover Bowladrome. For questions or to volunteer to chaperone, call: Sarah O'Loughlin (781) 925-4599, Katherine Kardok (781) 659-7540, Terri Brenner (781) 871-7647.

## **LUNCH ORDERS**

Attached to this update is the January lunch order form due to the office no later than 3:00 on Thursday, January 13, 2005. If your child had ordered and paid for lunch on Thursday, January 6, you will receive a credit for this order due to school cancellation. Please make a note of this credit on your next lunch order form. Please call JoAnn Callahan at 781-982-4202 if you have any questions,

## **ON THE LEVELS...**

### **SAYING OF THE WEEK:**

**LEVEL 1:** "Easier said than done."

**LEVEL 2:** "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

**REMINDER STUDENTS SHOULD BRING TO SCHOOL THE APPROPRIATE CLOTHING (HATS, GLOVES, BOOTS, ETC.) FOR RECESS.**

**FINANCIAL AID NIGHT TUESDAY, JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> 7:00-9:00PM WITH MEFA.** Mary Carter, Guidance will also be available for questions regarding Exit Standards and Graduation requirements.

### **MIDYEAR EXAM SCHEDULE**

High School students in grades 9 –12 will be taking midyear exams for their five core subjects on January 19-21, 2005. These exams will be 90 minutes in length and cover the first semester material. A separate grade for these exams will appear on the report card.

On Wednesday and Thursday, January 19 – 20, exams will be at 8:30 and 10:30. On Friday, January 21, there will be one exam at 8:30.

Missed exams will be made up during the exam period.

Students need to report at 8:15 for morning meeting and may leave after the second exam is completed (12:00PM). If a student does not have a first exam, they may report at 10:00 AM for the second exam. They must sign in at that time. Students who do not have a second exam may leave at 10:00AM after signing out.

Students who cannot arrange for a ride home after exams will have an opportunity for study halls and community service and will be dismissed at the normal dismissal time.

## **PROJECT NEWS**

**PLAYWRITING & PERFORMANCE PROJECT** is proud to announce their original submission for this year's Massachusetts High School Drama Festival ([www.mhsdg.com](http://www.mhsdg.com)). The project will present That Summer written by Lindsey Mitchell and directed by Gregory Josselyn. The group will compete in the preliminary round on Saturday March 5, 2004 and plans to present a preview performance for the school community and the public prior to the festival date. Please check this space for updates and don't miss out on our fantastic fundraisers to benefit the production!

**PAPA GINO'S COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT THE ROCK MONKEY PROJECT** Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> in Weymouth and on Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> in Norwell. See the attached flyer for more information. Please bring the flyer at the time of purchase. Thank you for your support!

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

?? Level 1 part time teacher aide (20 hours week) beginning 1/3/05

?? On-call substitute teacher

?? Full Time Substitute teacher

Send cover letter, resume and list of references to Kristine Shipps, Business Manager, Office #3.

## **PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

**PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

**FROM THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE ...** We'd like to thank all of the parents who have come in to help at the office!!! Your willingness to help has been very important as we have tried to establish a resource for the teachers. The going has been slow at times and your efforts to volunteer have not always had need. However, our hope is that the teachers will see the office help as a dependable tool for them and that, over time they will more fully utilize it. There are still some openings available for helping in the office. We are trying to fill in a schedule for the semester. For January, assistance is needed on the 24th, 25th, and the 27th. If you can help out on one of these dates or would like to come in on an ongoing basis, please call Jennifer Sandland - 781-335-6262.

**PARENTS ORGANIZE TUITION-FREE AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR ALL GRADES.** We will offer knitting, a cooking class taught by a professional chef, a class in Duct tape design (the world's finest textile!) a class in 'Elvish' writing, a casual soccer game, soapstone carving, an Anime club and Web design, among others. Do you have a special talent you can share with us? We are looking for parents, mentors and student teachers who can offer just 2 hours of time to share their special talent. We will offer support personnel, space at SSCPS, and willing participants! Class time will be 3pm to 5pm. Call K.T. Leary at 781-925-1257, Terry Brenner at 781-871-7647 or Ceil Garber at 781-925-8898. Classes will be listed in the Update, limited in size, and on a first come, first served basis. Please join us!

### **BOX TOP CLASSROOM CONTEST IS NOW IN PROGRESS**

Contact Beth Toma at [JToma85103@aol.com](mailto:JToma85103@aol.com) or 781-340-5742 for more information

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEE NEWS**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS MEMBERS** -The Nominating Committee (a subcommittee of Governance) is looking for interested Community Members (Faculty, Staff, Parents & Friends) to serve on this committee. Members of the Nominating Committee participate by actively seeking and evaluating potential Board candidates. If interested please contact any of the following members: Shelley Toleno @ [stoleno@adelphia.net](mailto:stoleno@adelphia.net)., Steve Locke @ [lockesc@comcast.net](mailto:lockesc@comcast.net), or Bill Smyth at [wmsmyth@comcast.net](mailto:wmsmyth@comcast.net).

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **SUPPORT THE CHILDREN AFFECTED BY THE TSUNAMI BY DONATING TO UNICEF**

8<sup>th</sup> grade student Charlotte Guiney has placed a donation can at the front desk of the school and is suggesting that all students donate a weeks allowance to this cause. Charlotte thought that helping UNICEF would be appropriate for us, children helping children.

## **COMMUNITY INTEREST**

### **HSO DISCOVERY CONCERT NEXT WEEKEND!**

Join Hingham Symphony for a fun, educational Discovery Concert and Instrument Showcase, that takes us on a musical tour of the evolution of an orchestra. Great for all ages. Jan. 22 at 4:00 pm, at Chapman Middle School, 1051 Commercial St, Weymouth. \$20 adult, \$15 senior, \$8 youth through age 18. Call 781-740-5694.

100 Longwater Circle ~ Norwell, MA 02061 ~ 781/982-4202

Website ~ [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org)

### **School Closings will be announced on:**

**WCVB-TV Channel 5, WFXT Fox 25, WHDH-TV Channel 7, WRKO AM 680**

*Once opened for the day, school will remain open until the last student is picked up.*

