

# SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

## UPDATE

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Wednesday	3/07	Education Committee	3:30pm
Thursday	3/08	Professional Development Early Release Day	12:00pm
Friday	3/09	Nicole's Project Bake Sale	
Friday	3/09	2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Grades Close K-8	
Monday	3/12	School Council	3:30pm
Wednesday	3/14	Strategic Plan Parents Meeting	7:00pm
Wednesday	3/14	Junior Parent Night – Graduation & College Information	6:30-8:30pm
Friday	3/16	Fundraising Committee	8:30am
Friday	3/16	K-8 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Progress Reports Distributed	
Friday	3/16	Level 4 Social	6:00-9:00pm

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FROM THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION** - The SSCPS-maintained Online Parent Discussion Forum has been permanently shut down due to the transmission of computer viruses. It was a helpful tool in distributing school announcements, event information, and Parents Association news. A new SSCPS Internet discussion group has been created using GoogleGroups. It is a free service, it is a parent-run group, and it has been set up so that only members can post and view messages. If you would like to join this forum, please send an email to [sscpsparents@googlegroups.com](mailto:sscpsparents@googlegroups.com) with the subject line: Sign me up! If you have any questions, please write to [dwhitemyer@rcn.com](mailto:dwhitemyer@rcn.com)

### SAVE THE DATE! KARAOKE NIGHT

Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 7:30 pm- 10:00pm come to SSCPS to experience a night of Dancing, Food, Drinks and Many. Many Laughs! Master of Ceremony is SSCPS' own Dr. Ron Larrivee! See the talent everyone is still talking about a whole year later! Admission is \$10.00 per person to benefit the Diversity Committee and all the great enrichment programs they envision for SSCPS! Come join the fun!

**THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE'S** next meeting will be on Friday, March 16 at 8:30am. Anyone interested in planning events for the remainder of this year and planning for next year are welcome to attend. For more information contact Denise Demaggio [ykeecpr@verizon.net](mailto:ykeecpr@verizon.net) or Debbie Cerelli. [debcerilli@beld.net](mailto:debcerilli@beld.net)

### LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed please find the lunch menu and order form for the month of March. Orders are due Thursday, March 8th, by 12pm. Thank you.

### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING SENIORS:**

**SEAN KAYIALES – WENTWORTH INSTITUTE**

**JOE MASKELL – JOHNSON & WALES**

**ZAK MERTZ – UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO – COLORADO SPRINGS**

**CHELSEA TALCOTT – MONTSERRET COLLEGE OF ART**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to Kelly Barber, junior, who has been awarded a Congress Bundestag Scholarship to study in Germany during her senior year. As part of the scholarship, Kelly will stay with a host family, study in a German school and have an internship at the American consulate. This is a tremendous opportunity for Kelly. Bravo!

Congratulations also, to sophomore Ryan Brenner who was awarded a \$1,0000 scholarship from AFS to study abroad this summer. Great work!

The Theatre Workshop students participated in the regional Drama Festival this past Saturday at Norwell High. It was an all day event. Although our students did not advance in the competition, Rick Small and Kathy Seavey felt that our students were strong contenders in the competition. Patrick Landis received a "Best Actor in a Leading Role" award, and Aaron Roundtree, Ella Lunny, and Justin Selig received an award for "Best Slide Show Set Design". Other students who dedicated themselves to this production were Kelly Barber, Jimmy Beggan, Jennifer Carmin, Evie Chason, Rory Coveney, Dan Fox, Laura Goodale, Austin Hill, Mary Joyce, and Shayna Palmer. Aja Oehme donated her time to be a guest on crew as a technician. Special thanks go out to Rachel Meisels, Kathy Seavey, Rick Small and Jenn Pina-Parker for all of their time and dedication.

MCAS English Language Arts (ELA) Exams are coming up during the weeks of March 19 –April 4. Students in grade 4, 7, and 10 will be taking the long composition exam on Tuesday, March 20 with a make up date of Monday, April 2. The 10<sup>th</sup> grade ELA exams will be on Wednesday and Thursday, March 21 and 22. The 3rd grade reading exam and the grades 4-8 ELA exams will be spaced out from between Wednesday, March 21 and Thursday, March 29. Please make every effort to have your child in school for the exams and that they get plenty of rest.

The students in Jessica's project are making quilts and are looking for donations of fabric or clothing.

Education Committee meets today Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 in room #100 to continue their discussion on the technology curriculum.

Reminder Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup> is an early release day; the students will be dismissed at 12:00. The Professional Development for the staff will focus on the strategic plan.

K-8 grades close on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Progress reports will be distributed on Friday, March 16.

**School Council will meet Monday, March 12, at 3:30** in room #100. We will be discussing project/workshops. Please note this time is different from that announced at the Parent's Association meeting.

*Dr. Tom Gorsuch*

## ON THE LEVELS

### SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "Sour grapes."

Level 2: "That's the last straw."

**LEVEL IV'S SINGAPORE II MATH CLASSES** are making quilts and need material. They will be modeling their quilts after the MFA exhibit, The Quilts of Gee's Bend, where women from Alabama took old work clothes and fabric remnants to make their amazing quilts. If you have **old clothing or fabric** (towels, bed sheets, aprons) that is taking up space in your house, please bring it in for the students to use in their quilts. You can drop off your donations in Jessica's room, 201 until March 14th. **MANY THANKS!**

**JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT** - March 14 - 6:30-8:30 Graduation & College Information Session with Mary Carter

## SEPAC WORKSHOP

Topic: **An IEP for My Child**

When: Thursday March 22, 2007 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Where: SSCPS – Music Room

Presenter: The Federation for Children with Special Needs

What will be covered: The Individualized Education Program is a written plan for an eligible child with a disability that is developed, reviewed, and revised in an IEP Team meeting following the federal special education law. It is the legally binding contract which explains how the student will receive access to the general curriculum as well as which supports and services will be provided for success in all areas of the school. Every child with a disability who receives special education services must have an Individual Education Program. This workshop takes parents step-by-step through the development of the IEP including how to articulate a vision, using evaluation to write annual measurable goals and how to measure their child's progress.

Prior reservation is required to determine the amount of materials needed. Please contact us by March 9<sup>th</sup> via email [ciambrie@gis.net](mailto:ciambrie@gis.net) and reference "IEP workshop" in the subject or call 781-982-8964 and ask to speak to Mickey.

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Part time 35 hours per week Learning Services Teacher's Aide

On-Call Substitute Teachers

On-Call Substitute Nurse

*Send cover letter, resume and list of references to Kristine Shipps, Business Manager.*

## **ECO-TIPS FROM THE SSCPS GREEN TEAM**

Truly Clean

On a typical cleaning day in a typical home, levels of chemicals in the indoor air can be hundreds, even thousands of times higher than the outdoor air in the most polluted of cities. This contributes to the increases in respiratory diseases like asthma and emphysema, as well as to the increases in cancers and auto-immune disorders. (The Nature of Things, CBC-TV.) Most chemicals found in household cleaning products are the same as those used in industrial settings . . . but in nearly all cases, we do not need heavy-duty, toxic chemicals to do our home cleaning. What good is getting "dirt" out of our homes if what we're replacing it with stuff that can make us sick? Manufacturers like Seventh Generation, Down East, and Nature Clean make suites of cleaning products that contain far fewer toxins than the standard issue cleaners most of us buy. Prior to WWII and the advent of petro-chemicals, most household cleaning was accomplished using relatively safe ingredients, including baking soda, vinegar, salt, lemon juice, vegetable oil, soap, borax and hydrogen peroxide. And they clean just as well now as they did then. For more information – and for ways to make your own cleaners that are much safer and much cheaper than the 'regular bottled stuff,' check out this website:

<http://lesstoxicguide.ca/index.asp?fetch=household#dish2>

And for those of us who are lucky enough to have our homes cleaned by a service, there \*is\* a non-toxic alternative right in our area: <http://www.healthyhomescleaning.com/>

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MARCH:**

**Saturday, March 10th, brush clearing at World's End in Hingham.** To register for this, please contact REI's customer service at 781-740-9430. We can help the Trustees of Reservations with brush clearing of the trails and invasive plant control. The following tools will be helpful: pruning shears, loppers, hand saws, work gloves, and long sleeves and pants. Lunch and drinks will be provided.

**Sunday, March 25th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. we can help maintain Wompatuck's bike trails.**

Volunteers will be meeting at the visitor center at 8:30 a.m. Helpful tools to bring include riding clothing, helmets, eye protection, trail saws or hand loppers. There is no pre-registration required for this volunteer opportunity but if you'd like more information, you can email [cobblestv@gmail.com](mailto:cobblestv@gmail.com).

For more information on both of these volunteer opportunities you can check the REI website at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) or call Katherine Kardok at 891-659-7540.

**"CARTRIDGES FOR KIDS"** – Used cartridges are being collected again this year to earn money for our School. There is a box in the main hallway next to the computer room. They accept ink cartridges and cell phones. We are happy to pick up if you have a large amount. Please call Luke, John or Grace Ryan with any questions at 781/925-9541.

**WEEKLY UPDATES ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.SSCPS.ORG](http://WWW.SSCPS.ORG)**

**2007 South Shore Charter Public School Yearbook is on  
sale NOW!**

For the First Time the yearbook will be in

**FULL COLOR**

Reserve your book with a \$10 deposit.

Order envelopes were sent home or get one at the front desk

**ORDER TODAY!**

**It is a life-long memory of this year.**

## Lunch Menu – March, 2007

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Turkey</i></b></p> With American cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayo	6 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	7 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ham and Salami</b></p> With Provolone Cheese lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	8 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>No Lunch</i></b></p> Early Release	9 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>PB&amp;J Lunch</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>-or-</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Greek Salad</b></p> With Greek dressing and pita bread
12 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Roast Beef</i></b></p> With American cheese and mustard	13 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	14 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>BLT</i></b></p> Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with mayonnaise	15 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	16 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Tuna Salad</i></b></p> With lettuce and tomato
19 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Ham</i></b></p> With American cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	20 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	21 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Turkey</i></b></p> With American cheese and mustard	22 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	23 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>PB&amp;J Lunch</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>-or-</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tossed Salad</b></p> With Italian dressing and pita bread
26 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Italian Cold Cuts</i></b></p> With Provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	27 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	28 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Roast Beef</i></b></p> With American cheese and mustard	29 <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Cheese Pizza</i></b></p>	30 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO SCHOOL</b></p>

2 % milk, chocolate milk, strawberry milk or orange juice is included with the purchase of lunch or may be purchased for 25 cents. If your child has forgotten a lunch, a Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich and Milk will be provided at the cost of \$2.00. A note from the office will go home that week for reimbursement.

Lunch Order Form  
 Lunch for the Month of March, 2007  
**Due to the office by 12:00 pm, Thursday, March 8, 2007**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pod Teacher/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please **CHECK** off the day lunch will be ordered and **CIRCLE** your selection.

Week of 3/12 – 3/16	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Sub ½ sub Wheat
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Week of 3/19 – 3/23	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday PB&J Lunch - or - Salad
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Week of 3/26 – 3/30	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday NO SCHOOL
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Number of Subs/Wheat ordered	_____	X	\$5.00
Number of ½ subs ordered	_____	X	\$3.00
Number of Pizza Slices ordered	_____	X	\$1.50
Number of Salads ordered	_____	X	\$3.00
Number of PB&J Lunches ordered	_____	X	\$3.00

*Less credit due* \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

**Choice of 2% milk, chocolate milk, strawberry milk or orange juice is included with the purchase of a meal or can be purchased separately for 25 cents.**

*Please note: If your child has forgotten lunch, a lunch of Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich and Milk will be provided at the cost of \$2.00. A note from the office will go home that afternoon for reimbursement.*

# **First Annual Charter Cup**

On Wednesday April 11, 2007 the student board will be hosting a Soccer championship between the high school classes.

We Need Your Support!

Tickets will be sold starting Friday, March 2, 2007 until  
The day of the match.

Parents: \$5

Students and Teachers: \$2

All proceeds will benefit the high school student board.

We hope all levels will be there showing support for  
their school.

Date: Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Time: 5:00 – 7:00pm

Location: South Shore Sports Center  
Hingham, MA

