## SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL UPDATE

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#### FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Next week the school will be celebrating its community in several ways. From Monday to Friday will be "Community Week" with an activity each day that will foster a greater closeness in our school between all members. From "peace birds," to discussions on treating one another better, to creating flags of your heritage, to writing a school poem, the week will be an opportunity to show how well we can work together for the good of the whole.

The week will come to a crescendo with the Annual Parent Association Auction on the evening of Saturday, October 21. This year's theme of "Under the Sea" will permeate the building with sea creatures made by students as parents and school friends will have the chance to bid on an array of wonderful items donated by the South Shore community businesses, school employees and school families. Be sure to come; as with last year's auction, it will be a night to remember with all the "chowda", food, music and laughter. You can get your tickets at the School's front desk, \$20/ per person by October 20<sup>th</sup> or \$25/ person at the door. Items up for bid include two vacation homes in New Hampshire, a hot-air balloon ride, art, student-made quilts, student-designed chairs, car rentals, a six-course meal for eight at Tosca's in Hingham, hotel stays, electrician work, US Flag flown over the Capitol for you, being Principal for the day, photo portrait session by Heidi Harting, Boston Ballet tickets, pet sitting, a traditional Lebanese dinner, bottles of fine wines, attorney work for a will, lunch at the State House, tickets to the Hingham Symphony, the legendary school football helmet and much, much more. See you there!

Congratulations to our new Level 4 teacher, Amy Landauer, on her wedding this past weekend to Adam Ruder in Mamaroneck, New York.

\*\*Mike Munhall\*\*

Wednesday	10/11	<b>Governance Committee</b>	6:00pm
Thursday	10/12	High School Parent/Teacher Conferences Senior Parent Night	6-8pm 7:30pm
Friday	10/13	Sally Foster Sales End	
Mon-Fri		SSCPS Community Week	All Week
Monday	10/16	School Council	3:30pm
Monday	10/16	Soccer – Jaguars home vs. Boston Collegiate	4:00pm
Tuesday	10/17	Finance Committee	6:00pm
Wednesday	10/18	SEPAC	8:30am
Wednesday	10/18	PSAT Grades 10 and 11	
Thursday	10/19	Board of Trustees	7:00pm
Thursday	10/19	SEPAC Basic Rights Workshop	7:00pm
Thursday	10/19	PA Health & Safety Committee	7:00pm
Saturday	10/21	SSCPS Annual Auction "Under the Sea"	7-11pm

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WALK-A-THON!** Send in your sponsorship forms! The next mailing is Friday. If you get your sponsorship forms in and participate in the walk... you will get community service points and get a better school! We have received 274 donations and 25% of all families have sponsors so far! The numbers keep rising. We want 100% participation! Let's get the entire community working together to benefit our kids!

Keep the sponsorship forms coming in. Together we can make a BIG difference! Every dollar counts! If you need more sponsorship forms they may be found behind the front desk or contact Denise Demaggio (781) 826-5632 <a href="mailto:ykeeclpr@verizon.net">ykeeclpr@verizon.net</a> or Debbie Cerilli (781) 843-0173 <a href="mailto:debcerilli@beld.net">debcerilli@beld.net</a>.

**AFTERNOON CHILDCARE**-The South Shore YMCA is providing afternoon daycare in our facility for students in grades K through 6. Currently, there are spots available. The after school program features homework time, gross motor activities, arts & crafts activities, developmentally appropriate educational activities, healthy snacks, and team building activities. If you are interested in the program, please call Steve Litcoff at 781-829-8585 x262 or via email steven@ssymca.org.

#### **OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

The South Shore Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and the Victoria "Torri" Wightman Scholarship Fund is sponsoring a Defensive Driving Course for twenty (20) students on October 14 & 15. In Control Advanced Driver Training consists of hands-on accident avoidance training, supplemented by classroom discussion. Training is held at the former Naval Air Station in South Weymouth. Hands-on Training includes: Proper hands and seating, emergency braking skills (ABS), including two-off maneuvers, advanced steering skills, backing up skills and awareness, following distance/tailgating and emergency avoidance maneuvers. All of the training is performed in In Control vehicles, and each hands-on drill is taught one-on-one with one of In Control's highly qualified instructors in the car.

Students must either have their permit or license. At this time, there is one (1) spot left for Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> and 6 spots left for Sunday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Students must register with Kristine Shipps in the SSCPS Business Office or they cannot attend the training. Registration for the training begins at 12:30 pm. For more information, please contact Kristine Shipps 781-982-4202x106 or you can view their website <a href="https://www.wedriveincontrol.com">www.wedriveincontrol.com</a>

#### **LUNCH ORDERS**

Enclosed please find the Menu and Lunch Order Form for the month of October. This is due to the office by 3:00pm on Thursday, October 12, 2006. Thank you.

#### FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

**SOCCER** – The next home game will be Monday vs. Boston Collegiate Charter at Myrtle Park in Hanover.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The faculty spent their professional day in part 2 of their work on differentiated instruction. The faculty worked on developing a repertoire of instructional methodologies that would provide each student exactly what they need academically according to each student's ability and talents. This is a three part series of workshops this year. The next session will be on Friday, November 11.

Education Committee met last Wednesday to begin is review of the Science curriculum. The work will begin by examining in detail the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks to determine the essential questions that are asked and knowledge/skills that are expected to be acquired by our students. The committee will then compare this material to the Core Knowledge curriculum to layout on a year by year basis what areas will be covered. We expect to complete our task in the spring.

Even though the soccer team lost a tough game to Prospect Hill Academy on Saturday October 7, the team continues to do well. They take a 5-1 record to Academy of the Pacific Rim Tuesday, October 10.

School Council will be meeting on Monday, October 16 at 3:30. This year the council will be focusing on a school improvement plan.

#### ON THE LEVELS

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

Level 1: "Better late than never."

Level 2: "When in Rome do as the Romans do."

#### **NEWS FROM LEVEL 2:**

Level 2 teachers are looking for pod parents. If you are interested please contact you child's pod teacher.

**BAKE SALE** - The South Shore Publications Project will be holding a bake sale on Wednesday, October 25, 2006. The bake sale will be from 12:00 – 12:30pm in the Level 2 Great Room. The money raised will support the project's field trip to The Boston Globe.

#### PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

I am looking for parents who would like help with next week's science class activity. We will be finishing up (for now) our study of flowers and seeds. If you would like to help please contact me by e-mail at: cyndiegreenhill@comcast.net or cconnolly@sscps.org. Science class times are:

Monday 8:30 - 10:45 am Tuesday 10:00 - 10: 45 am Wednesday 8:30 - 10:45 am

Thursday 10:00 - 10: 45 am Thank you, Cyndie Connolly

#### PARENT'S ASSOCIATION

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION - Please help our school earn extra money by collecting Box Tops for Education. Box Tops can be found on hundreds of products, from Ziploc baggies and Kleenex tissues to Cheerios and Gogurt. Our school earns 10 cents for every Box Top we collect. The funds raised this year at our school will help develop our library. There is an envelope at the front desk where you can leave your Box Tops. Visit <a href="https://www.boxtops4education.com">www.boxtops4education.com</a> for more information about Box Tops, as well as recipes, coupons, and special offers. You can also earn money for our school by starting your online shopping at stores like Kohl's, Land's End, Wal-Mart, and more at the Box Tops website. A percentage of your total will be donated to our school. If you have any questions about the program, please feel to contact Bethany Whitemyer at <a href="mailto:bwhitemyer@rcn.com">bwhitemyer@rcn.com</a>. Thank you.

#### **AUCTION COMMITTEE UPDATE**

**AUCTION TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!** If you are ordering tickets for the auction please make all checks out to SSCEF (South Shore Educational Foundation). Tickets are \$20.00 a person and can be left at the front desk. When we receive your reservation you will receive an email or call to confirm we got it and your name will be put on the check in list.

#### CALLING ALL COOKS!!!!!

We are still looking for volunteers to donate food for the Annual Auction on Oct 21. We need finger foods, hot or cold appetizers, etc. Some suggestions - cheese and cracker platter, chicken wings, meatballs, bread and dip, salsa and chips, stuffed mushrooms, etc.

Whatever you like to make is would be perfect.

If you don't want to make anything, you could always purchase something. Whatever is easiest? Please let me know if you can donate. Email me at klb.rjc@verizon.net or call - 781-792-1872 Thanks Karen Boyle

Coordinator of Food Donations

#### **SEPAC WORKSHOP**

Do you have questions on how to work with your school for the education progress of your child?

#### Then Come to the Basic Rights Workshop

This workshop is designed to help parents and guardians learn how to be effective partners with the school to decide your child's eligibility for special education, to plan, make decisions and to monitor the education progress of your child.

When: Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM Where: SSCPS – Auditorium/Music Room

Who: All parents and guardians are welcome to attend

What: Intended to give families an introduction to their rights and responsibilities under the

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Massachusetts Special Education

Law and No Child Left Behind (NCLB).

Presented by: Carolyn Moore

Pre-Registration: If you would like to attend this workshop, please send an email to ciambrie@gis.net by

10/17/06. Please indicate Basic Rights in the subject.

Sponsored by: the SSCPS SEPAC

For questions regarding this workshop or in finding out more about the SSCPS SEPAC, please contact Michelle Ciambriello (781) 982-8964 ciambrie@gis.net

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Full Time Development Director

Part Time Learning Services Teachers Aide

Part Time Speech/Debate Coach

High School & Middle School Boys & Girls Basketball Coaches

On-Call Substitute Teachers

On-Call Substitute Teacher Aides

On-Call Substitute Nurse

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

#### **COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**THE NORWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY** is hosting nationally acclaimed storyteller Len Cabral on Wednesday evening October 25th at 7 pm. Len will be presenting "Stories to Make You Sleep With the Lights On", and the event is FREE and open to the public. For information, please call 781-659-2015. The library is located off Rt. 123 at 64 South Street, Norwell.

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

**SSCPS FALL CLEAN UP!** Our next community service activity will be cleaning the school grounds on Saturday, October 28th from 9-11 a.m. Please bring lawn bags, rakes, brooms, etc. We hope to see many families there!

**DONATIONS FOR FATHER BILL'S** - Aidan White (Level 4-Grade 7-Scott's Pod) will be collecting donations for Father Bill's Shelter in Quincy as part of his community service. The shelter relies on donations for all of its residents. The following new items are desperately needed at this time:

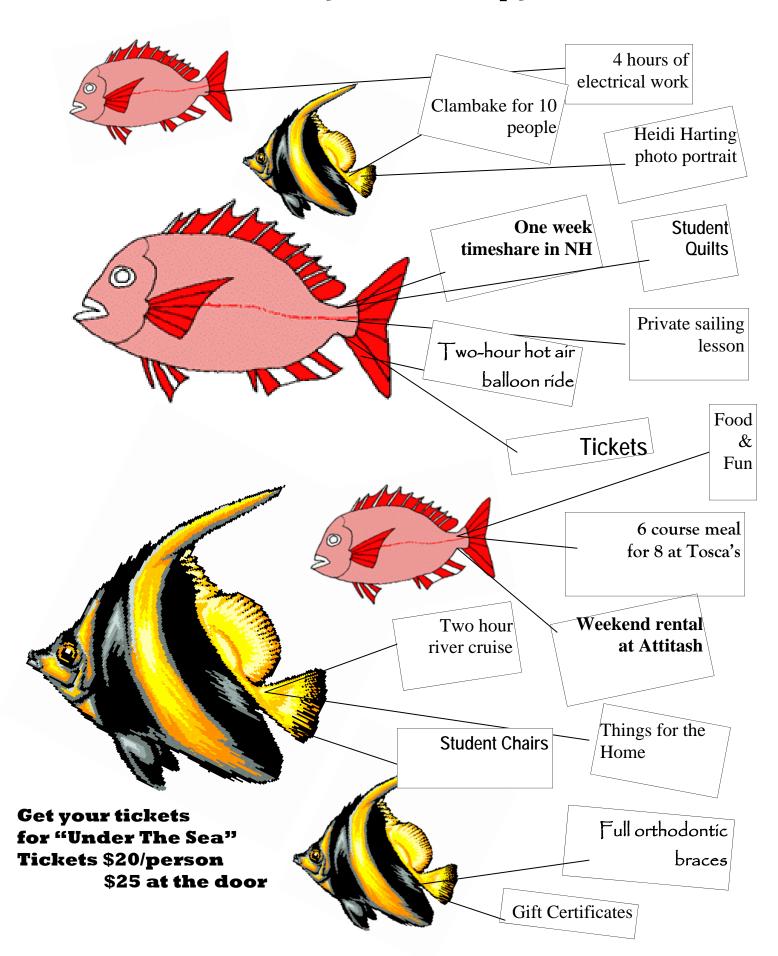
Bath towels, disposable razors, deodorant, soap, men's cotton socks, underwear, gloves, hats, crossword puzzle books. Aidan will have a collection box placed in the lobby marked "Father Bill's Place" starting the first week of October. He will also be running a winter coat collection for Father Bill's beginning in November (details will follow).

**EYEGLASS COLLECTION** – Level 2 student, Maris, is collecting eyeglasses to donate to the Hull Lions Club's Recycle for Sight Program. Bring used eyeglasses. The collection box is located in the lobby at the Front desk until October 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

"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 <u>WWW.SSCPS.ORG</u>

## **School Auction, Saturday, October 21**



### **Lunch Menu – October 2006**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5	6
Chicken Salad	Cheese Pizza	Roast Beef	Cheese Pizza	Professional
				Development Day
With lettuce		With American		
		cheese and mustard		NO SCHOOL
9	10	11	12	13
Columbus Day	Cheese Pizza	Italian Cold Cuts	Cheese Pizza	PB&J Lunch
				-or-
		With Provolone		Tossed Salad
NO SCHOOL		cheese, lettuce,		With Italian
		tomato, pickle and		dressing and pita
		oil		bread
16	17	18	19	20
Ham, Salami &	Cheese Pizza	BLT	Cheese Pizza	Tuna Salad
Provolone Cheese				
With lettuce,		Bacon, Lettuce and		
tomato, pickle and		Tomato with		With lettuce and
oil		mayonnaise		tomato
23	24	25	26	27
Ham	Cheese Pizza	Turkey and	Cheese Pizza	PB&J Lunch
		American Cheese		-or-
With American				Greek Salad
cheese and mustard		With lettuce, tomato		With Greek dressing
		and mayonnaise		and pita bread
30	31	11/1	11/2	11/3
BLT	Cheese Pizza	Roast Beef	Cheese Pizza	Tuna Salad
Bacon, lettuce and				
tomato with		With American		With lettuce and
mayonnaise		cheese and mustard		tomato
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Whole 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 October, 2006 <u>Due to the office by 3:00 pm, Thursday, October 5, 2006</u>

Student Name				
Pod Teacher/Advisor		Grade		
Please CHECK off the day lunch will be ord	lered and <u>CIRCLE</u> y	our selection.		
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday 10/16 – 10/20 Sub Pizza 1/2 sub # Wheat		Pizza		
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday 10/23 – 10/27 Sub Pizza 1/2 sub # Wheat		Pizza		
Week of [] Monday [] Tuesday 10/30 – 11/03 Sub Pizza 1/2 sub # Wheat			——————————————————————————————————————	
Number of ½ subs ordered  Number of Pizza Slices ordered	X X X X	\$5.00 \$3.00 \$1.50 \$3.00		
Total Amount Enclosed Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.		\$	_	

Choice of whole 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.

# Do you Want Your Name on the Yearbook Cover?

The Yearbook Committee is holding a contest to see which SSCPS Student can design a creative cover that represents what our school is about. The best artists' name will be displayed on the cover of the yearbook. All drawings, photos, paintings, collages, or graphic art must be student's original artwork, and be school appropriate. Your cover design must be submitted on 8 1/2" by 11" paper. Please turn in all cover designs to Jared's Room, #104, by October 12<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions ask Jared or Ryan Schiffer, Yearbook Editor.