

SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

UPDATE

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Wednesday	11/01	Education Committee	3:30pm
Thursday	11/02	Level 3 Field Trip to Wheelock Theatre	
Friday	11/03	High School 1 st Quarter Grades Close	
Friday	11/03	SEPAC meeting	8:30am
Tues-Thurs	11/07-11/09	Annual Fall Book Sale	
Tuesday	11/07	National Honor Society Induction	1:15pm
Tuesday	11/07	Parents Association Meeting	7:00pm
Thursday	11/09	Picture Make up Day	
Thursday	11/09	High School 1 st Quarter Report Cards Distributed	
Friday	11/10	Professional Development Day – No School for Students	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DATE CHANGE: PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY HAS CHANGED TO THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH. SPORTS TEAM PHOTOS WILL ALSO BE TAKEN ON THIS DAY. TEAM MEMBERS SHOULD BRING THEIR JERSEYS.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

At the close of the first quarter (High School) and the first trimester (K – 8), parents often begin to think of tutoring or other academic support for their child, especially if the child is experiencing academic difficulty. Last year the Board of Trustees adopted a policy on tutoring that applies to all faculty and staff at the school. A copy of the policy is attached. Please refer to this if you are considering making arrangements for tutoring or private lessons with any of the school's staff. If you have any questions about the policy, please feel free to contact me.

As a reminder to parents that the first quarter for the high school ends on Friday, November 3 and the report cards/progress reports will be distributed to on Thursday, November 9.

Congratulations to the soccer team and their coach Will Glennon on a fine season. They finished their regular season with a 9 – 3 record and are looking toward the playoffs this weekend at UMASS Boston. Good luck to the team!

Thanks to all those parents and students who came to the 8th grade parent night on Thursday, October 26. If you were unable to make it and would like additional information please contact either Mr. Rick Small or me.

November 10 will be a Professional Development day for the teachers. Students will have the day off. The teachers will be participating in the last day of the 3 day workshop on differentiated instruction.

The Education Committee meets this afternoon, November 1 to continue its review of the Science Curriculum.

Dr. Tom Gorsuch

LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed please find the menu and lunch order form for the month of November. This is due to the office by 3:00pm on Thursday, November 2, 2006. Thank you.

ART NEWS

ART FUNDRAISER - Once again, we will offer students, their parents and loved ones a chance to turn your child's work into a gift item. The *Original Works Fund Raiser* from last year was a great success! The week of **November 6th**, your child will bring home their work, a brochure and an order form. If you are interested please fill it out, enclose a check and **return it by November 13th** to your Pod teacher. The orders will be returned in time for Christmas and Hanukkah so plan ahead! The moneys raised go directly into the Art Workshop Fund.

ON THE LEVELS

SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "Cold feet."

Level 2: "Laugh and the world laughs with you."

ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN PARENTS: Dr. Robert MacAlpine will be at SSCPS on November 2nd to do the Kindergarten Vision Screenings. Parents will be notified if your child needs further evaluation.

NEWS FROM LEVEL 2:

- Level 2 is still looking for pod parents. Please call your child's pod teacher if you are interested.

NEWS FROM LEVEL 3:

- Level 3 will be going to the Wheelock Family Theater to see *Holes* Thursday, Nov. 2nd.
- Don't miss this great opportunity!!! SSCPS Apparel is now available for ordering! Hats, T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Fleece items will be available for the Holidays!! See samples in the school lobby. Order forms have been distributed, but are also available at the front desk. SUPER idea for gift-giving!

PARENT'S ASSOCIATION

The next Parents Association meeting is on Tuesday, November 7 from 7:00 – 9:00. Everyone is welcome to attend. The agenda is attached to the back of this Update, and is available online at www.sscpspa.org. Tuesday is also Election Day, so please remember to vote before the meeting.

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 www.boxtops4education.com 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 bwhitemyer@rcn.com. Thank you.

ECO-TIPS FROM THE SSCPS GREEN TEAM

The holiday season is approaching and some of us like to get a head start on gifts. Instead of buying all your gifts this year, what about making some of them? You can find household items that are no longer in use and turn them into practical gifts. Below are a few ideas. If you have any ideas that you would like to share, please submit them to Jessica and she will be sure to get them into next weeks Eco-Tips! jengebretson@sscps.org

Ideas:

- Make candles out of old crayons <http://familycrafts.about.com/od/candlestomake/>
- Painted/Etch Glassware Decorate glassware recycled from kitchen, swap shop, or second hand store. Your creation could hold your recycled crayon candle! <http://www.michaels.com/art/online/home> (type in glass painting)
- Make mittens out of old sweaters Felted mittens: machine wash wool in hot water (using old sweaters is great). Cut out four patterns of a hand from the boiled wool (making sure you have two left hands and two right hands). Sew together.
- Make trivets out of wine corks. Take old wine corks and arrange them in a pattern inside an old picture frame that has a backing. You can use a hot glue gun or Elmer's glue to hold them down. Make a small trivet for hot pots, or if you collect enough corks make a larger piece that can display pictures of family and friends.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Full Time Development Director
Part Time Speech/Debate Coach
High School & Middle School Boys & Girls Basketball Coaches
On-Call Substitute Teacher Aides
On-Call Substitute Nurse

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

COMMUNITY INTEREST

This year there's a new award for a senior and their chosen lower classman group - **the Green Award** - awarded to the group with the most profound affect on the environment by their acts between now and graduation. Those acts may be of any sort - education though theatre, clean up, invention, maintenance, protection, and so forth. We are looking for ideas for such acts to inspire the students, and money to add to the pot for the award. So far three teachers have contributed substantial amounts. Help if you can!! **Contact – ext. 212 The Earth thanks you!**

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

CLOTHING DRIVE Our community service activity for the month of November is a clothing drive for Norwell's The Closet. The Closet is literally a "closet" or room, in Norwell's Town Hall that provides basic necessities to families in Norwell who have fallen on hard times. The month of November, with Thanksgiving, is a good time to remember all that we have and all that we can be thankful for, and to focus on how we can make someone else's life in our community a little better, or a little easier. Fall and winter clothing items, in good condition, can be brought to school on Thursday morning, November 9th. Thank you.

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).

"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

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Tutoring Policy

Maintaining a high quality instructional level and providing a rich, varied curriculum should minimize the need for individual tutoring. Every effort should be made by the principal and teacher(s) to help the student with educational problems before recommending that parent(s) engage a fee-based tutor.

In order to cover exceptional cases where the school may recommend individual tutoring or individual tutoring may be requested by the student's parents, rules and regulations shall be established by the Head of School to protect both South Shore Charter Public School and teacher(s) from charges of conflict of interest.

RULES

1. Prior to beginning tutoring-for-a-fee of SSCPS students a teacher must discuss it with the principal to ascertain the appropriateness of the tutoring.
2. A teacher may not receive compensation for tutoring any student while that student is assigned to one of his/her classes.
3. Individual tutoring for compensation by SSCPS teachers shall not take place at anytime during the school day (7:45 AM-3:45 PM).
4. Music and art teachers may give private lessons to his/her own student(s) outside of the school's curriculum, but not during the school day.
5. SSCPS teachers who receive compensation for tutoring may use the school's facilities for such purpose before 7:45 AM and after 3:45 PM.
6. Parents shall be advised that individual tutoring shall not ordinarily provide credit. Any remediation for school year course failure must have written approval of the Principal prior to the tutoring commencing.
7. The Head of School is authorized to develop procedures to implement this policy.

Policy Adopted by the SSCPS Board of Trustees: 2006

SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

AGENDA – 7 November 2006 / 7:00 – 9:00 PM

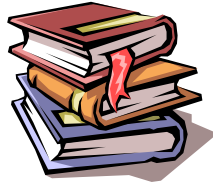
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| 7:00 | Call Meeting to Order | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7:00 – 7:05 | Review and Approve Minutes
<i>October 3, 2006 PA Meeting Minutes</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7:05 – 7:10 | Announcements

<i>Parents Association Vacancies & '07-'08 PA</i>
<i>Book Fair, November 7-9</i>
<i>Other Announcements</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>
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| 7:10 – 7:40 | Committee Reports (as needed)

<i>Arts & Music Committee</i>
<i>Fundraising & Events Committee</i>
<i>Health & Safety Committee</i>
<i>Library Committee</i>
<i>Diversity Committee</i>
<i>Orientation/Welcoming Committee</i>
<i>Community Service Committee</i>
<i>PAC Committee</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>
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| 7:40 – 7:45 | Student Representative Report
<i>Ryan Brenner</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7:45 – 8:00 | Grade Representative Reports (as needed) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8:00 – 8:10 | Other Reports (as needed)
<i>Education Committee</i>
<i>School Council</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>
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| 8:10 – 8:30 | Executive Director Report
<i>Mike Munhall</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8:30 – 8:40 | Board of Trustees Report
<i>Mike Nuesse</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8:40 – 8:50 | Old Business | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8:50 – 9:00 | New Business | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9:00 | Adjourn | <input type="checkbox"/> |

South Shore Charter Public School

Annual Fall Book Fair



Sponsored by the Library Committee and
Storybook Cove, our local children's bookstore in Hanover

Tuesday, November 7, 2006* 8 am-3:30 pm

*Parent's shopping night Tuesday, Nov. 7th 6:30-8 pm

Wednesday, November 8, 2006 8 am-3:30 pm

Thursday, November 9, 2006 8am-3:30 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday, kids will be able to browse samples of all titles.

Order forms will be sent home with a price list, similar to Scholastic Book Club.

*Description of books can be found on-line at:
<http://www.Storybookcove.com>*

*Completed order forms and checks made out to SSCPS are due
November 15, 2006.*

All orders will be delivered to the classrooms the following week.

*Questions? Pam Hatch 781.293.1915 or Melissa Freitas
781.337.9724*

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All School Photograph 2006-2007



To order your unframed 8 x 10 copy of the 2006-2007 All School Photograph, complete the order form below and return with payment by November 9th. Orders received by 11/09 will be delivered before the Thanksgiving break. Completed order forms should be returned to the front desk.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Quantity: _____ X \$20.00 = _____ Total Enclosed

Lunch Menu – November, 2006

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 <i>Chicken Salad</i> With lettuce	7 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	8 <i>Italian Cold Cuts</i> With Provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	9 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	10 Prof. Dev. Day NO SCHOOL
13 <i>Turkey and American Cheese</i> With lettuce, tomato and mayonnaise	14 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	15 <i>Roast Beef</i> With American cheese and mustard	16 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	17 <i>Tuna Salad</i> With lettuce and tomato
20 <i>Ham, Salami & Provolone Cheese</i> With lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	21 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	22 <i>Early Release</i> No Lunch	23 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	24 No School
27 <i>Ham</i> With American cheese and mustard	28 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	29 <i>Chicken Salad</i> With lettuce	30 <i>Cheese Pizza</i>	12/1 PB&J Lunch -or- Greek Salad With Greek dressing and pita bread

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 November, 2006

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, Thursday, November 2, 2006

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of 11/6 – 11/10	<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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Week of 11/13 – 11/17	<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 11/20 – 11/24	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Early Release	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday No School	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday No School
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Week of 11/27 – 12/1	<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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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/PB&J Lunches ordered	_____	X	\$3.00	
<i>Less credit due</i>				_____
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.