

**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**UPDATE**

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# Happy Holidays

*Kudos to all of our performers at the Winter Solstice. From all accounts, it was the best one in our thirteen year history. Especially moving was the finale, "Angel from Montgomery," sung by Hannah and Carly Hayes and Hannah Connolly.*

*Since pictures are so much better than words, we have included some recent photos of special events.*

*On behalf of the all of us at SSCPS, we wish you a wonderful winter break with family and friends.*

*Be well and we look forward to seeing everyone on January 2<sup>nd</sup>.*

*Prue Goodale  
Interim Executive Director*



*Photos courtesy of Heidi Harting*

Thursday	12/20	Physics Field Trip	
Thursday	12/20	Finance Committee	6:00pm
Thursday	12/20	Board of Trustees	7:00pm
Friday	12/21	SEPAC	8:30am
Friday	12/21	Early Release	12:00pm
		December 24 – January 1 – Holiday Break	
Wednesday	01/02	Classes Resume	8:15am
Friday	01/04	SEPAC	8:30am

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Memorial Mass for Alison Hayes will be held on Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Ann's in Hull beginning at 10am.

**NEW TRANSPORTATION OPPORUNITY** - Accepting applications for transportation to South Shore Charter Public School. The tentative list of towns to be covered is: Whitman, Abington, Hanson, East Bridgewater, Rockland, Hanover and Brockton. Pending the necessary insurance and registry formalities I hope to begin service on Wednesday, January 2, 2008. If you would like further information or for an application packet please feel free to contact Tricia O'Brien c/o KC Transportation email [kctransportation@hotmail.com](mailto:kctransportation@hotmail.com) or call 781-753-6738. All applications must be received by Friday December 21, 2007.

## THEATER WORKSHOP NEWS

The Theater Workshop has announced the title of its original play for entry in the Massachusetts High School Drama Guild Festival on March 1, 2008. It is *Broken*, by senior Matt Zakrzewski. The cast includes Matt, Erin Leary, Austin Hill, Ella Lunny, Kelly Barber, Patrick Weed, Evie Chason, Dan Fox, and Shayna Palmer. Aaron Roundtree is the student director, and Pat Landis is the production manager. The technical crew includes Jennifer Carmin, Regine Desgrottes, Rooby Eloi, Juraj Kulik, and Andrew Tyler. Workshop leaders are Rick Small, Kathy Campbell-Seavey, and Rachel Meisels.

This will be the group's fifth consecutive year of participation in the festival, at which SSCPS is one of over 100 schools competing. Every year the workshop has mounted an original play and every aspect of the production is student run. This year's play is suitable for all ages, and the entire school community is cordially invited to attend.

## LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed is the Order Form and Menu for the month of January. Orders for January are due Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.

## ART NEWS

The high school students are putting together an apparel line for their EOM this semester. We will be exhibiting them as a fashion walk through on Thurs. December 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:45pm in the High School Village Green. The high school students will be in attendance and there will be room available as a first come first serve basis. The students are very excited about displaying their creativity. Please join us or drop by for a moment.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Sincere thanks to Andre, Wardie, and Lucille for all of their efforts making the Winter Solstice such a special evening. The students really did an incredible job. What talent we have at SSCPS! The finale featuring Carly and Hannah Hayes and Hannah Connolly in tribute to and in memory of Alison Hayes was a beautiful and touching moment.

Wednesday afternoon brings Hispa'fest. Thanks to the Spanish Department for all of their work getting ready for this. The students have really taken ownership in this event. It will take place in the high school great room. Levels I and II will come see some of the high school performances. Level III and IV are doing events on their levels to celebrate the day.

"Project Runway" will take place in the High School on Thursday afternoon. The students in the Art Workshop have been making clothing made out of alternative materials. This should be an interesting event.

Craft Day is Friday for Levels II and III. Level I will be having their Craft Day on Thursday afternoon. Thanks to all who have busily been preparing for this.

*Remember  
This December,  
That love weighs more than gold!  
~Josephine Dodge Daskam Bacon*

It has been a wonderful year so far and experienced great joy and some sadness. May this holiday season bring you and your families' peace and joy! Thanks for all you do! The care, patience, knowledge, and love that you share with your children though out the year are the greatest gifts of all!

Happy Holidays, Happy New Year and enjoy the break!

*Dr. Tom Gorsuch*

## ON THE LEVELS

### SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "Don't judge a book by its cover."

Level 2: "On the warpath."

### CRAFT DAY SCHEDULE:

**Level 1: Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm-3pm**

**Level 2: Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 9:30am – 11:30am**

**Level 3: Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 10am-12pm**

**Level 2 Art Force Project** will be having a Holiday Sale of key chains, ornaments, jewelry, bookmarks. Proceeds to benefit the Quincy Animal Shelter and replenish supplies. The sale will be held on December 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Save those ART Calendars!

The end of the year is close and you will need to replace your ART calendars! Please don't throw away your old ones. The art prints you see around the school were formally part of calendars. We laminate the monthly prints and then hang them up. So if you want to contribute your old calendars please bring them to the level II title one office or leave them at the front desk for me, Claudia. You can also send them in with your child with my name on them and your child's teacher will get them to me. Art prints of any kid are, of course, always welcome! Thank you! Questions: direct to [cdarrow@sseps.org](mailto:cdarrow@sseps.org) or extension 212.

## PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The next Parents Association meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Due to the holiday break, the meeting agenda will not appear in the Weekly Update prior to the meeting. It will, however, be available on the PA website ([www.sscpspa.org](http://www.sscpspa.org)) a week before the meeting. Happy Holidays.

## **SEPAC COMMITTEE**

### **SEPAC WORKSHOP - ADD/ADHD, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2008 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

ADD/ADHD an Overview - How do you know if a child you known has ADD? In this workshop, focus is on children with Attention Deficit Disorder. What it is, what it is not, with discussion including: symptoms, diagnosis, and intervention. Coping with struggles that arise in the home and in school are presented. Various treatments including: medication, behavioral, emotional and organizational skills are discussed.

#### **Presenter: Alan Jacobson, Ph.D. - Outpatient Director of the Providence Center.**

Alan Jacobson is a licensed psychologist and certified school psychologist whose experience includes consulting to area school and community groups for the past eight years. Alan is presently the Outpatient Director of the Providence Center treating adults, children, and adolescents in individual, group and family therapy.

Alan is a noted and sought after speaker in the Community Consultation Program. He is also known as a columnist for the Patriot Ledger newspaper in which he writes a column concerning mental health issues.

If you are interested in attending this workshop or have any additional questions please email Beth Toma at [JToma85103@aol.com](mailto:JToma85103@aol.com).

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Level I Part time 88% (35 hours per week) Teachers Aide

On-Call Substitute Teachers

On-Call Substitute Teacher Aides

*Email cover letter, resume and list of references to Kristine Shipps, Business Manager, [kshipps@sscps.org](mailto:kshipps@sscps.org)*

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

“**CARTRIDGES FOR KIDS**” – Thank you for all of the cartridge and cell phone donations made to Cartridges for Kids this year. We were able to package and send off many boxes in return for money for our school. We will continue to collect again next year and would be happy to pick up any donations over the summer. Thanks again, Luke, John and Grace Ryan (781) 925-9541

## **COMMUNITY INTEREST**

### **ABITIBI PAPER RETRIEVER RECYCLING**

This is an easy way for you to recycle your paper every week and help us raise money for projects/workshops.

#### **What Can Be Placed in the Retriever Bin?**

Newspapers, Magazines, Office Paper, School Paper, Catalogs, Mail, Paperback books, Shredded Paper (must be in clear plastic bag & tied with holes poked into it)

#### **Please Do Not Place these items in the Retriever Bin:**

Plastic, Glass, Metals, Trash, Cardboard, Phonebooks

**The UPDATE is published on a weekly basis and is distributed on Wednesdays through email to the entire community and is posted on our website at [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org). If your family would like to receive a paper copy please email a request to [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org) or contact Kathy at 781-982-4202 ext. 100.**

## Lunch Menu – January, 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31 <b>No School</b>	1 <b>No School</b>	2 <b>BLT</b> Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with mayonnaise	3 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	4 <b>Greek Salad</b> With Greek dressing and pita bread
7 <b>Turkey</b> With American cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayo	8 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	9 <b>Italian Cold Cuts</b> With Provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	10 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	11 <b>Tuna Salad</b> With lettuce and tomato
14 <b>Roast Beef</b> With American cheese and mustard	15 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	16 <b>No Lunch</b>  Early Release <b>Professional Development</b>	17 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	18 <b>Tossed Salad</b>  With Italian dressing and pita bread
21 <b>No School Martin Luther King Day</b>	22 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	23 <b>BLT</b> Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato with mayonnaise	24 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	25 <b>Tuna Salad</b> With lettuce and tomato
28 <b>Ham</b> With American cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickle and oil	29 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	30 <b>Chicken Salad</b> With lettuce and tomato	31 <b>Cheese Pizza</b>	2/1 <b>Greek Salad</b> With Greek dressing and pita bread

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. For Level 1 a Lunchable and Milk will be provided for the same cost. A note from the office will go home that week for reimbursement.

**Lunch Order Form**  
**Lunch for the Month of January, 2008**  
**Due to the office by 3:00 pm, Thursday, December 20, 2007**

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

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

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

Week of 1/31 – 1/4	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday <b>No School</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday <b>No School</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Salad
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Week of 1/7 – 1/11	<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 1/14 – 1/18	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday Sub ½ sub Wheat	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <b>No Lunch</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Pizza #_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Salad
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Week of 1/21 – 1/25	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday <b>No School</b>	<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 1/28 – 2/1	<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 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

*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.*