



Wednesday	12/16	Winter Concert – Notre Dame Academy Auditorium	6:00pm
Thursday	12/17	Education Committee	3:45pm
Thursday	12/17	Finance Committee	6:00pm
Thursday	12/17	Board of Trustees	7:00pm
Monday	12/21	High School Workshop Fashion Show	1:15pm
Tuesday	12/22	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Roman Play	1:45pm
Wednesday	12/23	Early Release	12:00pm
	12/24-01/01	Happy Holidays...	
Monday	01/04	Classes Resume	8:15am
Tuesday	01/05	Golf Tournament/Auction Committee Meeting	5:30pm
Tuesday	01/05	Parents Association	7:00pm

***From the Executive Director***

***Winter Concert Tonight***

One of my favorite events each year is the Winter Solstice Concert. From early November until the concert, I hear the wonderful voices and music of our students when I walk by the music room. I often drop in and listen to them rehearse their songs. Our two music teachers, Wardie Mannix and Andre Kim, always do such a wonderful job with their selections each year and, of course, practicing with the students. Many thanks to Wardie and Andre and all of the teachers for all of the work that goes into making the Winter Concert such a heart warming and special event! I hope to see you all at the concert later today – it begins at 6:00 o’clock sharp. I also have a special request; please stay to hear all of the groups sing. You will, of course, be impressed by all of the performances and it is so disappointing to the students in grades 7-12 to look out into a dwindling audience. Our concerts are just two evenings a year – so two late nights for the younger students will not really ruin their routines.

***Lots of good news as we end the calendar year . . .***

Last Friday morning we received the **Charter Final Renewal Site Visit Report**. We have posted the entire report on our website for you to read. We are pleased with the report by Class Measures. In the Board packet that we emailed our trustees late on Friday, I wrote the following: “Overall, we believe that the report is a fairly accurate “snapshot” of what a week at SSCPS is like and we are satisfied with its contents. We plan to use the feedback and recommendations, along with the state’s AYP measures for each year, as our guide to move forward and meet (or exceed) the state’s goals for us as well as our new accountability plan goals for the next five years. Some excerpts from the report include” “SSCPS has met all measures of faithfulness to charter in the school’s Accountability Plan with the exception of one measure that relates to the TerraNova assessment, which is no longer administered. . . . SSCPS has met 14 of the 17 measures of academic program success in its Accountability Plan; the school has discontinued use of one measure relating to Microsoft Office User certification. The measures that the school has met reflect the fact that SSCPS has

established a comprehensive and detailed set of exit standards to ensure that students are obtaining an education that is of high academic quality and aligned with the philosophy of the charter. They cover a number of areas of competency and the school enforces this policy. The unmet measures relate to students' performance on the MCAS mathematics and science and technology tests and the student attendance rate. . . . SSCPS has developed a fully documented curriculum that is aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. The curricula include a variety of commercially developed texts and internally developed materials and resources. The school has a five-year cycle for curriculum review. . . . The team observed an orderly, respectful classroom and school environment at SSCPS. Students were quiet and well behaved; the team saw no disruptive behavior. Teachers had the resources they needed for their instructional programs. . . . SSCPS has met five of the six measures of organizational viability in the school's Accountability Plan. . . . The SSCPS budget supports student achievement. . . . SSCPS is financially solvent and uses effective internal financial controls and oversight. . . . The board of trustees is active and effective in its oversight of the school, the roles of the board and school leadership are clear, and the board is actively engaged in goal setting and strategic planning."

Tomorrow evening is the December BOT meeting and we plan to devote much of the School and Academic Reports section of the meeting to a discussion of the Renewal report. All BOT meetings are open to the public and they begin at 7:00 p.m. They are held in the Great Room.

### ***Equally good news – Governor Patrick will hold his weekly Cabinet meeting at SSCPS!***

Well, we were all so happy last Friday when we had the final public report of our site visit and we could make it public. SSCPS accomplished so much over the past year, thanks to the extraordinary work of our teachers, students, and parents (the three legged stool) and the on-going support of our Board of Trustees. We thought that it does not get much better than this. Then, mid-morning on Monday, my Assistant, Pam Algera, takes a phone call from a staff member in Secretary of Education Paul Reville's office. They called to ask if it would be possible for Governor Patrick to have his weekly Cabinet meeting this Friday morning. At first, we really did not believe that this was going to happen to our special charter school! After phone calls to the Governor's Office and a site visit yesterday from his advance person, it is real – we will be hosting the Governor and his group this Friday.

Of course, we had to work out some important logistics and Governor Patrick's schedule is very tight. He will have State Troopers with him and there will be tight security. From 8:30 a.m. to noon, there can be no vehicles parked in the front parking lot. We have arranged for faculty and staff to park in the next lot (as we have done for special occasions in the past). The Governor's advance team requires that there be no "guest" visitors during the time that he is with us. The Cabinet meeting will last an hour and then the Governor will hold a press conference in the Great Room with his cabinet. So . . . the media will be there and we will take lots of pictures. For a brief time, Governor Patrick will speak with some of our student leaders and he is going to watch a repeat performance of the Cassandra's kindergarten class perform Jan Brett's "The Mitten." By 11:30, he will be out the building and driving to his next meeting.

Needless to say we are very excited about this visit and we are honored that Governor Patrick chose SSCPS to host one of his meetings! What an awesome way to finish out 2009!

### ***Happy Holidays from SSCPS Staff***

This is our last Update for 2009. All of us at SSCPS wish everyone an enjoyable, relaxing, and healthy December break.

See you in 2010! ***Prue Goodale***

***One resolution I have made, and try always to keep, is this: To rise above the little things. ~  
John Burroughs***

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**It was another successful luncheon!!** Thank you to everyone that donated beautiful paper products, delicious dishes, mouth watering desserts and all types of beverages!!! The teachers had a wonderful luncheon and are very thankful to the families of SSCPS for their support. If you brought a platter, plate, etc. They are under the table in the teacher room in the high school area. I rinsed them but they really need to be cleaned.

*Thank you again for your support, Karen Boyle (parent of Caroline - I, Jonathan - IV and Richie - HS)*

## SAVE THE DATE – Friday, June 11, 2009

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Drive Fore the Future” Golf Tournament and 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction

Tickets to the Golf Tournament and Auction are now available and would be a great present for the person who has everything. This year’s registration form, auction donation form and sponsorship/advertising forms are included in the Update and you can pay online at [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org). (Click on “Donate Now” in the SSCE Foundation tab then chose Golf Tournament or Auction in the program section). You can also get more information at the event website: [www.DriveForetheFuture.homestead.com](http://www.DriveForetheFuture.homestead.com). The next meeting of the Golf and Auction Committee is on January 5, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. We will be done in time for you to make it to the PA Meeting.

## ART NEWS

Great news **Original Work orders** will be in and delivered on **Wed. Dec. 16th**. If you do not want your child to receive the order please call me at x304, leave your child’s name and POD and I will pull the order and retain it in the Art Room for you to pick up.

The **Fashion Walk** is scheduled for **Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:15** in the High School Village Green. If you have a student in the show and would like to attend, please call x304 and leave a message with your name and number of seats your party will need. Seating is at a premium and we would like to insure that all our guests have a reserved seat for the event. Please call by Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> to reserve seats.

Art Teacher **Marianne F. Buckley Curran** has a display set up in **Cohasset in the Starbucks** across from Shaw’s Plaza on Route 3A for the month of December.

## HEALTH OFFICE

### H1N1 CLINIC FOR ALL STUDENTS

The Norwell VNA in conjunction with the town of Norwell will be administering the H1N1 vaccine at SSCPS on December 22, 2009 beginning at 9:00am. The vaccine is available to all students who wish to participate. Permission forms will be distributed to students in grades K-8; High School students should pick up a form at the Health Office. Forms are also available on the front page of the SSCPS website. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine at SSCPS, please read and sign the permission form. Page #1 must be signed and the signing of page #2 is optional.

**All permission forms must be signed by a parent / guardian and returned to the Health Office no later than 4pm on Monday the December 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the health office with any questions or concerns.**

The flu season is upon us, please remember to:

- Keep your child home if ill with cough, runny nose, sneezing, body aches or chills
- Do not send your child to school with a temperature of 100.0 or above
- Notify health office if your child is diagnosis with the Flu or has Flu-like symptoms.
- Students must be fever- free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication before returning to school
- Remind your child to WASH HANDS frequently through out the day.
- Contact your child’s doctor for information on receiving the H1N1 vaccine.
- **MASSACHUSETTS toll- free phone # for H1 N1 information 211(no area code)**

## LUNCH PROGRAM

SSCPS will offer a new “pilot” lunch program beginning January 4<sup>th</sup> serving a variety of new healthy lunches for our students. Attached is a new lunch calendar and new lunch order form for the first two weeks of January. We are asking for you to complete the lunch form for the two weeks and return to us by December 17<sup>th</sup>. If your child is eligible for free lunch, you still need to submit a completed lunch form in order for lunch to be served to your child. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Tara Hollander and her staff at DoorKnock Dinner will provide a selection of healthy meals for our students. Your child has the option of

selecting a ¾ meal (child size) \$4.25 or full meal (teen+) \$6.25. Please note the prices for these meals have increased. Students in grades 7-12 also have the option of purchasing from an A-La-Cart menu for an additional cost on a daily basis. The A-La-Cart menu is first come, first served basis. Pizza or subs will also be available on Monday's and Fridays. If you have any questions, please call Charlene Evans, SSCPS Lunch Coordinator at x156. Also enclosed is the lunch order form for the remainder of December which is due Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> 12:00pm.

## **7-12 PRINCIPAL**

As the winter break approaches, I am impressed with the evidence around the school of student efforts to help those in need. For example, the high school is currently engaged in a "food fight" to collect food for area shelters. Students in grades 9-12 are competing by grade to see who can raise the greatest number of canned foods and other supplies. The battle of the grades was organized by the Political Action Workshop and is spearheaded by Victoria Nwafor, who has worked tirelessly to move her classmates into action. The food drive is part of the Workshop's larger year-long effort to increase awareness of poverty and homelessness.

On another note, warnings for the second quarter were sent home to 7-12 families yesterday. Please take some time to go over these reports with your student at home. Families are encouraged to contact teachers to discuss the reports and make plans to improve grades before the close of the term. Now is the time to address problems while there is still time to turn things around.

Project leaders on Level IV distributed Exhibition of Mastery packets this week. While the proposals are not due until after the vacation, students may want to take advantage of the time off to begin working on their projects. Exhibitions of Mastery are a key component of our program that provides students with an opportunity to delve deeply in a topic and engage with the research process. I look forward to seeing the hard work of students pay off when Level II- IV Exhibitions are presented the week of February 8<sup>th</sup>. I am consistently impressed with the public speaking skills of our students.

*Angie Pepin 781-982-4202 [apepin@sscps.org](mailto:apepin@sscps.org)*

## **ON THE LEVELS**

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

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

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

### **CONSERVATION PROJECT:**

The conservation breakfast bake sale to benefit endangered animals was held on December 9, 10, and 11. It was a great success. We made a total of \$86. Thank you to everyone who purchased something. The profit will be going to the following endangered animals: the Amur Leopard, and the Harbor Seal. Those are two of the five animals we are working on saving

**EDLINE Tip:** The new way of viewing reports on Edline is a "bit confusing". Use the steps below:

- Click on your student's name found within the email sent to you from Edline
- Log into Edline with your screen name and password
- View the reports

### **HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOP LOOKING FOR ITEMS!**

For a students' project in Workshop (breeding fish), we are in need of the following:

- marbles (lots!)
- heaters for fish tanks
- Pebbles to cover the bottom of a fish tank

If anyone has these items to donate, we would greatly appreciate it. Please contact: [rosier@sscps.org](mailto:rosier@sscps.org)

Thank you!

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

We have received many wonderful donated books and magazines to the Library and we appreciate these donations. The Library is very limited in space for storing books or magazines until they can be processed

and placed on the books shelves. We, therefore, **will not be taking any more donated books or magazines** until after the first of the year and will place a notice in the Weekly Update when we are able to start taking more donations. Again, thank you for all of your donations and support to the school library.

The Library Committee is always looking for new members. If you are interested please email [librarian@sscps.org](mailto:librarian@sscps.org). We meet as a group several times through out the year to review different library policies or other related library problems that may arise.

*Thank you - SSCPS Library Committee*

## **PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

The next Parent's Association Meeting is Tuesday January 5th from 7p-9p at the school. If you have any topics that you would like added to the agenda please contact me prior to December 22nd. Also, if you have any ideas for themes for future PNO Events I'd love to hear them.

*Happy Holidays Deidre Lamoureux, PA Chair [jcalamoureux@comcast.net](mailto:jcalamoureux@comcast.net)*

## **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

**YOGA & ZUMBA FITNESS FUNDRAISER @ Mama's Move - 45 Pond Street, Norwell, Wednesday January 20th 7-8:30pm.** For ONLY \$20, Join us for a one hour Yoga class and a one hour Zumba class and LOTS more! No experience necessary and anyone 13+ are welcome. Parents, students, faculty, friends, relatives, students of other schools, the general public, please help us spread the word and fill the venue! See the attached flyer for more details! If you can donate a lite snack or water, have questions or would like to volunteer at the event, please contact Dottie @ [fundraising@sscps.org](mailto:fundraising@sscps.org).

**Box Tops for Education.** Our school earns cash for each General Mill Box Top that we collect and send. You can help by clipping box tops from the 100s of products that participate, and by signing up to support our school at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com). Last year we raised over \$700 with this program. Let's try to make it an even more profitable year. Please bring your box tops to school and leave them in the envelope behind the front desk. Level I students can tape or staple their box tops onto the monthly collection sheets that are distributed to the classrooms. If you have questions about the General Mills Box Tops program, please contact me at [bwhitemyer@rcn.com](mailto:bwhitemyer@rcn.com). Thanks. Bethany Whitemyer

**Longwater Transportation** offers a reliable and safe bus service run from Hull, Hingham, and Cohasset to SSCPS. If you are interested in having your child ride the LW Bus either one way or full time, please email [AmyLemkin@gmail.com](mailto:AmyLemkin@gmail.com).

**REMINDER:** to join the online SSCPS Parents Discussion Forum at GoogleGroup. This is a great forum for sharing thoughts and ideas related to the school and our community, and for keeping up with Parents Association announcements and news. If you'd like to sign join you can email [sscpsparents+subscribe@googlegroups.com](mailto:sscpsparents+subscribe@googlegroups.com)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

**TOYS FOR TOTS** The week of November 30<sup>th</sup> is the first week of our school's Toys for Tots drive. Toys for Tots is a charity that gives toys to unfortunate children. These children are poor and don't get much for the holidays. Our school is collecting toys to donate to this charity. The kids that need our help the most are from 0-2 years of age, but all kids in range of 0-13 years need help. There are some rules about donating certain toys. Weapon toys and toys related to the military are NOT allowed, neither is candy. They need to be new, unwrapped and preferably in the \$10+ range. We are accepting toys from November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup>. These kids need our help in order to have a happy and fun holiday season. We encourage you to help this charity make the holidays better for some. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Jones, ext 305, Abby McDonough, or Katie Tuttle on Level IV.

### **Level III Students organizing the "Coats for Kids"**

"Do you want to help out with children and parents from many places by donating winter coats to Coats for Kids? Donating coats to this helpful foundation is a great way to help poor families. And this foundation takes those donated coats and takes them to get cleaned at Anton's Cleaners. Then we ship them off to those families so they can be nice and toasty during the winter. And that's what Coats for

Kids does to help families. So if you want to help donate coats look for the drop box near the front desk. Thank you.”

*Sincerely, Charlotte Gorman and Tevin Francois*

**Level II Student, Maria Zraizaa**, is collecting pink Yoplait yogurt covers to help cure cancer. She has a donation box near Sarah’s pod in level II.

**Derek Wholley** a Sophomore in the high school will be selling autism pins for \$5 for community service. The pins represent the many facets of the puzzling disorder known as autism. Autism is a complex neurobiological disorder that has become an epidemic in our country. The Centers for Disease Control currently estimate 1 in 50 children born will be diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. No two pins are the same; just as each person with autism is unique and faces various complex developmental challenges. All net proceeds from your purchase will be donated to the organization **Autism Speaks** for desperately needed research initiatives that will hopefully help us to gain knowledge and insight to help our children grow and develop to the fullest potential. Please wear your puzzle pin proudly to spread awareness and understanding for all people who are challenged with this mysterious disorder. The pins make great teacher gifts. If you can’t find Derek at school please call 781-925-3179. Thank you for your support.

**Kindergarten Student Collecting for Toys for Tots** Any one who knows Andrew (AJ) VanWinkle knows how kind hearted he is. While cleaning up after our Thanksgiving festivities and trying to make room for the soon to be erected Christmas tree, Drew and I were talking about helping those in need. Drew (AJ) asked if I would help him sell his toys he no longer plays with and give the money to children less fortunate than himself. His sister Megan quickly chimed in and said; "Me too." and of course I said; "sure." I told them I would help them place the auctions on e-bay. The proceeds from the box auctions I have listed will go to benefit the Toys for Tots © toy drive. I have set up a web page that will link to each auction to track the proceeds. There will be four auction and we will continue to list until all the boxes have found new homes up until the Dec 18th deadline. I have also set up a donation button where if interested one can donate what ever amount they feel comfortable giving. There will be no sad toys in this bunch and absolutely "not a one" will be going to the island of misfit toys. Drew's Dad, a member of Northeastern University's Phi Gamma Pi (PGP) and PGP alum 92', recently sold their 241 Kent Street property (2007) to Children’s Hospital. It is now open as the Yawkey Family Inn. It is open to families from all over the country. PGP was extremely active then and continues that tradition with a scholarship fund for students wishing to go to college but need financial assistance. So what better place to bring some gently loved toys than to a house so rich in community service? With that said that should not discourage you from placing a bid as the auctions are listed on the site below. Help a worthy cause and know somewhere your auction purchase or donation is making a little boys or girls holiday a little brighter this year. <http://www.kvanwinkledesignbuild.com/>  
Regards-Kyle VanWinkle

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Long Term Elementary Ed K-6 Substitute Teacher**

Must be certified to teach Elem Ed K-6 from the Dept of Ed or taken and passed the appropriate MTEL exams

### **On going for 2009-2010**

On-Call Substitute Teachers

On-Call Substitute Teacher Aides

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

**WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.SSCPS.ORG](http://WWW.SSCPS.ORG) EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103 OR EMAIL [PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG](mailto:PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG)**



Dear Parents:

Welcome to the start of a new school year and another year of A+ Bonus Bucks. Starting October 9, 2009 through March 25, 2010, **South Shore Charter Public School** will have the opportunity to earn cash through Stop&Shop A+ Bonus Bucks Program.

All you have to do is:

Log on to [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus) to register online

**OR**

Dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone

After you register your card, each shopping trip at Stop&Shop using your Stop&Shop Card earns CASH for our school! Each month, the amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the Stop&Shop website. You can track the amount of points you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt and online when you create an account at [stopandshop.com](http://stopandshop.com). Our school will receive a check at the end of the program. The money can be used for any of our school's educational needs.

Remember, even if you registered your card last year, you must re-register this year for our school to receive credit. Attending to this simple process makes a HUGE difference to our school. We need your support.

Please be sure to register your card to benefit South Shore Charter Public School using ID# 08189. Don't forget to encourage your friends and relative to do the same.

Sincerely,  
South Shore Charter Public School

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**South Shore Charter Public School  
Parents Association Meeting  
December 1, 2009**

Minutes taken by Karen Currie  
Meeting called to order 7:05 pm

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the November meeting were approved.

**Announcements**

- Next PA Meeting: Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 7 pm
- Next Board of Trustees meeting: December 17, 2009
- PA sponsored Movie Night: December 4, 2009

**Meeting Ground Rules**

The general ground rules for the conduct of the PA meetings were reviewed and included reminders to all attendees to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Wait until called upon to speak
- Be respectful of others
- Speak to the issues and do not attack the 'messenger'
- Express comments concisely
- Avoid complaining/ranting
- Bring forth concerns, ideas and solutions in a positive way

**School Report – Prue Goodale**

- Flags are now displayed in all classrooms
- Teachers will lead students in the Pledge of Allegiance; students have the right to decline
- A farewell celebration was held for Jim Connelly. Angie Pepin is officially on board as his replacement.
- The Winter Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Please note the change in venue. This year's concert will be held at Notre Dame High School in Hingham. This allows SSCPS more flexibility with scheduling and also is expected to ease the parking difficulties of the previous venue.
- The school has received a reading grant to support teacher training in the Spring
- Two positions currently open in K-6 to cover for Mac Haran (illness) and Kendra Whiting (maternity leave)
- Annette Golden has been hired on a part-time basis to support additional instruction for students needing additional help with math.

A question arose regarding the status of the search for Prue's replacement. A search committee has been formed under the leadership of Bob Gass and will be meeting next week.

**School Report – Angie Pepin**

- Rachel Jones has been hired as a new teacher for Level 4, replacing Angie.
- Computer lab/language lab is functioning with the new equipment supported by PA funding – thank you!
- Feedback received from an external instructor on what a great focused and well-behaved group of high school students we have here at SSCPS.

**School Report – Ted Hirsch**

- Grade 2 pod performance was tremendous
- Grade 3 students are working hard on their Roman Plays performance
- Jerry Morris has identified a math coach
- Thanks to the Doreen and Steven Gallagher for repainting the lines in the school driveway and parking lot.
- Rear entrance is not to be used for pickup. Reminder to please respect the no parking signs. The lot across the street from the school is not to be used for parking/pickup.
- After school supervision for middle school students will be available starting on Monday. Cost is \$3 per student per day. Hours are 4-5:30 pm. There are no structured activities. This service will not be available on half-days.
- The school would like to offer more options for after school/extended day. A meeting with Kim Engle is planned to explore options with the YMCA. The school is also looking at options that may be possible



through a grant.

### **School Report – Jackie Perry**

Blue and white school spirit day is scheduled.

Semi-formal dance is taking place this weekend. Tickets may be purchased at the school.

### **Committee Reports**

The Health & Safety and Art & Music Committee chairs are vacant positions in need of volunteers. Please contact Deidre if interested.

#### **Fundraising:**

Dottie Kennedy-Brooks is organizing a Zumba fundraiser. Details to follow soon. The event will be held on a weekday evening.

#### **Welcoming:**

Kerry thanked everyone for compliance with the handicapped parking rules. She also thanked those who volunteered at the recent Open House. More volunteers are needed for the second Open House, which is scheduled for January 14<sup>th</sup> in the evening. The greatest need is for volunteers who can represent Level III and above.

#### **SEPAC:**

Mickey Ciambrello - The showing and discussion on the Fat City video was excellent. All are encouraged to view the video. Jo Feldman and Annette Golden have copies, if anyone would like to borrow it. A Basic Rights workshop is coming up and further information is available from the SEPAC reps.

#### **Library:**

Beth Toma - Lots of new donations have come in lately. Series books are especially welcome. The Story Cove Book Fair raised over \$700 in books for the library. Level IV students are now visiting the library, in addition to the lower levels.

### **Grade Representative Reports**

- K - Field trip this week: students must be at the school by 7:45 AM. Parents are encouraged to work with their children on learning to zip and button coats and to put on their mittens. Please be sure to label all articles of clothing.
- 1<sup>st</sup> - The globe *paper-mâché* project is off to a great start with lots of volunteers, including several dads this year. The field trip to the beach was very successful, and trips to the school library are also going well.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - No report.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>: Grades have closed and report cards will be issued on Friday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. Parents may schedule a meeting with their child's teacher on Dec 10<sup>th</sup>, which is an early release day. Contact Dee Delaney to set up a time. Winter concert is Dec 16<sup>th</sup>; all Level II students are expected to attend. Craft day will be held on Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers and donations are needed. Exhibition of Mastery forms will be issued soon and are expected to be returned before the holiday. Presentations will be held on Wednesday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> for Grade 4 and Friday, Feb 12<sup>th</sup> for Grade 3.
- 5<sup>th</sup> - No report
- 6<sup>th</sup> - No report
- 7<sup>th</sup> - No report
- 8<sup>th</sup> - Field trip to the Frog Pond on Dec 8<sup>th</sup>. Toys for Tots program is underway and donations of new, unwrapped toys appropriate for children aged 3 and younger will be accepted through Dec 18<sup>th</sup>. Teachers are available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for any students in need of extra support. Many parents and students of Grade 8 attended the high school information night
- 9<sup>th</sup> - Exhibition of Mastery packets will be distributed soon. Semi-formal is taking place at the Cushing Center. Tickets are available for purchase at the school during lunch.
- 10<sup>th</sup> - No report
- 11<sup>th</sup> - SAT scores now available.

12<sup>th</sup> - no report

### **Treasurer's Report**

Disbursements of the funds approved at the last meeting are underway. There will be another disbursement in the spring and the process for funding requests and approval will be followed again.

### **Old Business / New Business**

Bathroom locks are still not fixed. Ted will look into it.

Lockers in Level I and III are in poor condition and will likely need to be replaced soon.

Please check the lost and found on a regular basis

### **Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**

Donations are requested for the luncheon to be held on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Karen Boyle if you are able to donate a food, beverage or dessert.

### **New lunch options:**

The School Council reviewed the proposal from DoorKnock Dinners. There will be a trial run with the new vendor starting in January.

### **Auction/Golf Tournament:**

Maureen Hebert announced that this year's auction and golf tournament will be held on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Tickets can be purchased now, and parents may wish to consider purchasing tickets as a holiday gift.

### **Educational Fund:**

Donations to the SSCEF can be made via the link on the school's webpage. Donate now!

**Question arose on the policy for teacher gifts.** No formal policy is in place. (Post-meeting Note: DOE guidelines have been issued to all parents by the school administration).

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 pm**

# SSCPS Fitness Fundraiser

featuring

## Zumba & Yoga

Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> 2010

7:00 – 8:30 pm

- 5 Minute Chair Massages!
- Lite Snacks available
- Zumba Class 7-8pm (no exp necessary)
- Yoga Class 7:30-8:30pm
- Parents, Students, Faculty, friends, relatives,  
ANYONE 13+ is welcome!



Questions?

Interested in volunteering at the event?

Please email Dottie at  
[fundraising@sscps.org](mailto:fundraising@sscps.org)

Event Location:  
MAMA's MOVE  
45 Pond Street, Norwell

Anyone Ages  
13+ welcome

Mamas Move has generously donated their facility to host this wonderful event to help raise money for SSCPS – tell all your friends and come out to support the school!!!

Entry fee: **\$20**

Childcare is available for \$5.

**MUST PREREGISTER FOR CHILDCARE**

Anyone may pre-register by calling Mama's Move @ 781-616-6244

Lunch Order Form  
 Lunch for the Month of December, 2009  
**Due to the office by 12:00 pm, Wednesday, December 16, 2009**

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

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

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

Week of	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Friday
12/21 – 12/25	Sub	Pizza	<b>No Lunch</b>	<b>No School</b>	<b>No School</b>
	½ sub	# _____	<b>Early Release</b>		
	Wheat				

Week of	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Friday
12/28 – 1/1					
	----- V A C A T I O N -----				

Number of Subs/Wheat ordered	_____	X	\$5.00
Number of ½ subs ordered	_____	X	\$3.00
Number of Pizza Slices ordered	_____	X	\$1.75
Number of Salads ordered	_____	X	\$3.00
<i>Less credit due</i>			_____
<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

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 yogurt, a fruit bar and Milk will be provided at the cost of \$1.75 For Level I and II a Lunchable will be provided at the cost of \$2.75. A note from the office will go home that afternoon for reimbursement.*

Lunch Order Form  
 Lunch for the Month of January, 2010  
**Due to the office by 3:00 pm, Thursday, December 17, 2009**

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

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

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

Week of	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
1/4 – 1/8	Sub	Full Meal	Whole	Whole	Pizza
	½ sub	¾ Meal	½ Sandwich	½ Wrap	#_____
	Wheat				

Week of	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
1/11– 1/15	Sub	Whole	Full Meal	Bagel sandwich	Pizza
	½ Sub	½ Burrito	¾ Meal	(standard size)	#_____
	Wheat				

Number of Subs/Wheat ordered	_____	X	\$5.00
Number of ½ subs ordered	_____	X	\$3.00
Number of Pizza Slices ordered	_____	X	\$1.75
Number of ¾ Hot Meals ordered	_____	X	\$4.25
Number of Full Hot Meals ordered	_____	X	\$6.25
Number of Wrap/Burrito/Panini ordered	_____	X	\$6.25
Number of ½ Wrap/Burritos/Panini ordered	_____	X	\$4.25
Number of Bagel Sandwich ordered	_____	X	\$4.25
<i>Less credit due</i>			_____

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$\_\_\_\_\_

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## Lunch Menu – January, 2010

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>4</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BLT SUB</b></p> <p>Bacon, lettuce and tomato with mayo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D'Angelo's</p>	<p>5</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Beefy American Chop Suey</b></p> <p>*Cucumber Sticks *Apple Sauce</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>6</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spiral Ham and Cheddar cheese Panini on Ciabatta bread</b></p> <p>*Fresh Carrots *Fruit Cocktail</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>7</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Honey Mustard Roasted Chicken Wrap (all white meat)</b></p> <p>Filled w/shredded carrots, cucumber slices and lettuce</p> <p>*Celery Sticks *Raisins</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>8</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cheese Pizza</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Themis Pizza</p>
<p>11</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Turkey and American Cheese SUB</b></p> <p>With lettuce, tomato and mayo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D'Angelo's</p>	<p>12</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chicken Burrito Grilled chicken breast, brown rice and black bean</b></p> <p>*Cucumber Sticks *Can Peaches</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>13</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chicken, Broccoli and Pasta in a light lemon garlic and olive oil sauce topped w/shaved parmesan cheese</b></p> <p>*Fresh Apple</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>14</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Turkey and Cheddar cheese Bagel sandwich w/ a side of mayo</b></p> <p>*Fresh Carrots *Fresh Cantaloupe</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DoorKnock Dinner</p>	<p>15</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cheese Pizza</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Themis Pizza</p>

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Ala Cart Tuesday thru Thursday: Limited supply and cash only. Must be paid when item is purchased.

Yogurt \$1.60

Caesar Salad \$4.00

w/Chicken \$6.00

Fresh grapes and cheese cup w/crackers \$4.00

# School Age Child Care December Breakout!



**South Shore YMCA at Mill Pond  
12/28 – 12/31**

**Grades: K-6**

**Hours: 8am – 6pm**

**\* On December 31, hours are 8am-3pm**

**Fee: \$40/day**

Let your child enjoy their December school vacation at the South Shore YMCA at Mill Pond in Hanover. Children will have the opportunity to participate in sports, swimming, arts and crafts, and fun special events!

- Enrollment forms are located at the Front Desk at the Y
- Enrollment is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis.
- Please contact Jamie Whitcomb for more information  
781-829-8585 x262



YMCA

We build strong kids,  
strong families, strong communities.



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Put this on your  
New Year's  
resolutions list!

# SAT Prep Class

## 10 Weeks Starting January 5th

Now that your PSAT scores are back. Don't panic. Get ready for the upcoming tests on January 23rd and March 13th.

We'll prepare you to **ACE** the test with targeted instruction, full-length practice tests, and proven test-taking strategies designed to help students **test with confidence** and score higher. Facilitated by an experienced instructor. This is a great opportunity to help get those scores up!

**Contact:**

Karen Hirsh  
781-829-8585 x335  
khirsh@ssymca.org

75 Mill Street  
Hanover, MA

**Fees for 10 Week Session**  
**\$190 Members**  
**\$285 Non Members**

**Tuesdays: 4:30 - 5:45 pm**  
1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2,  
2/9, 2/26, 2/23, 3/2 & 3/9

**Art Center**

**Program Code: MTKS02W0**

*Financial Assistance:* The South Shore YMCA strives to serve the entire community by providing financial assistance. Assistance is determined based on individual applicant needs. Call Jane at (781) 829-8585 ext. 308 for an application. The money used to fund this program is raised each year by volunteers through the Strong Kids Campaign



**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL 'DRIVE FORE THE FUTURE' GOLF TOURNAMENT &**  
**15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL AUCTION**  
Friday, June 11, 2010

Winter 2009

Dear Friend:

SSCEF's Golf & Auction Committee is in full swing again, planning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament & 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction. This year the **"Drive Fore the Future"** events will be held at Pembroke Country Club in Pembroke on **Friday, June 11, 2010**, beginning with an afternoon scramble and followed by a scrumptious dinner auction to benefit the students of the South Shore Charter Public School.

This event is not just a fun afternoon of golf; it's an important fundraiser for the South Shore Charter Public School, a K-12 school serving 27 communities. Our goal this year is to raise at least \$30,000. The money is essential to the budget; making it possible to maintain the richness of the curriculum and experiential learning programs including Spanish, science, the arts, technology, and the ever popular "projects" and workshops. The students at the school in every grade are also committed to service learning and spend numerous hours volunteering in the community helping others locally and internationally. By participating in this year's event you can help our students score the 'Whole in One'... excelling in Academics, Career, and Life.

We've enclosed this year's registration form, but you can also make your sponsorship commitment, sign up your foursome or make dinner auction reservations online at [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org). (Click on "Donate Now" in the SSCE Foundation tab then choose Golf Tournament or Auction in the program section). Sponsorship opportunities start at just \$100 and our golf packages include lunch, your cart, and dinner that night in coordination with our Annual Auction.

We will again have wonderful live music and this year we have room for dancing, entertaining contests, and guest celebrities. Don't miss the social event of the year and guaranteed FUN as we raise crucial funds. We need YOU to make it a huge success both to reach our financial goal and to make it a great party for all. Please register today and join us for all or part of what promises to be a terrific day for SSCPS. If you have any questions, please contact Miriam Brownwall at [brownwall@comcast.net](mailto:brownwall@comcast.net) or at 781-545-2008, or any of the other co-chairs who signed below. On behalf of the entire South Shore Charter School Community, we thank you for your support!

Best regards,

Miriam Brownwall  
Golf & Auction Chairperson  
[Brownwall@comcast.net](mailto:Brownwall@comcast.net)

Mark Stevenson  
Golf Committee Co-Chair  
[gurnetinn@verizon.net](mailto:gurnetinn@verizon.net)

Maureen Hebert  
Auction Committee Co-Chair  
[mhebert@metlife.com](mailto:mhebert@metlife.com)

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**DONOR/PLAYER CONTACT REGISTRATION**

Name/Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**GOLF** **12:00 Golf Registration 1:00 Shotgun Start**

*All golf packages include boxed lunch, golf, cart, giveaways, appetizers, dinner, entertainment, auction*

- \$550 Golfer Foursome x \_\_\_\_\_ (\$600 if received after May 14, 2010)
- \$150 Individual Golfer x \_\_\_\_\_ (\$175 if received after May 14, 2010)

**DINNER AUCTION**

*Includes appetizers, dinner, entertainment, auction*

- \$40 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ individual Tickets (\$50 if received after May 14, 2010)
- \$300 per table of 8 (\$350 if received after May 14, 2010)

**My group includes:**

	Golfer	Dinner Only	Golfer's Shirt Size (circle)				
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	S	M	L	XL	XXL
2. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	S	M	L	XL	XXL
3. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	S	M	L	XL	XXL
4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	S	M	L	XL	XXL
5. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
6. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
7. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					
8. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

**PAYMENT** **Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

- Check / Money Order enclosed payable to SSCEF
- Bill my credit card:  MasterCard  Visa
- Account #: \_\_\_\_\_
- Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment must be received with reservation to confirm spots. Please send registration form and fees no later than Friday, June 4, 2010 to: 'Drive Fore the Future' Golf Tournament & Auction, SSCEF, PO BOX 512, Accord, MA 02018 or fax to (781) 982-4201, Attn: Pam Alger. Online registration available at [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org)  
[www.DriveForetheFuture.homestead.com](http://www.DriveForetheFuture.homestead.com)

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**AUCTION DONATION**

*Thank you!*

Name/Contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**DONATION TITLE:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Retail Value:**                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Merchandise
- Gift Certificate
- Service

Restrictions (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Gift Certificate:**

- Provided by me
- Please print for me

**Delivery:**

- I will mail my donation
- I will drop off my donation to the South Shore Charter Public School
- Please arrange to pick up my donation

**You are welcome to enclose a supply of brochures, business cards or other small literature to be displayed with your donation or included in the golf gift bags.**

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Friday, June 11, 2010

**SPONSOR/ADVERTISER**

Name/Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**GOLF SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**\$2,000 Golf Tournament Sponsor**

*Includes foursome, 4 additional guest dinner tickets, promotional banner, ½ Page ad in program, and listing on website.*

**\$1,000 Contest Prize Sponsor**

*Prize sponsors receive recognition at the main entrance and behind the podium. This year we will award prizes to the winning individuals for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin, Men and Women. Includes foursome, Contest signs at Contest Holes, ¼ Page ad in program, and listing on website.*

**\$1,500 Dinner Sponsor**

*Enjoy a superb promotional opportunity by sponsoring our dinner on Friday, June 11th. Banner signage will be displayed in the Grand Ballroom and on each dinner table. Included with this sponsorship are four dinner tickets, a ¼ page ad in the program and listing on website.*

**\$1,000 Golf Cart Fleet Sponsor**

*Sponsors will receive signage at the main entrance and on 24 golf carts. Included with this sponsorship are a 1/2 page ad in the program and listing on the website.*

**\$100 Individual Cart Sponsor**

*Includes sign on golf cart, listing in program, and listing on website.*

**\$300 Gift Bag Sponsor**

*Sponsor the players' gift packages and receive recognition at the main entrance and on promotional items. This year's gift packages will be water bottles, T-shirts, and your choice- you provide items. Included with this sponsorship is a listing in the program and listing on the website.*

**\$400 Hole in One Sponsor - Winner gets \$7,500.00!**

*Sponsor one of our Hole in One competitions. Includes Contest sign at hole, ¼ Page ad in program, and listing on website.*

**\$300 Interactive Tee Sponsor**

*Enjoy individual signage at your tee and the right to promote your business in any way you choose. A table and two chairs will be provided for you at your tee. Included with this sponsorship is a listing in the program and listing on the website.*

**\$500 Student/Alumni/Faculty Sponsor**

*Sponsor one of our Student, Alumni, or Faculty teams. Included with this sponsorship is a listing in the program and on the website. If your team wins this event, this may be a very wise publicity investment for you!*

**\$150 Hole Sponsor**

*Includes hole sign, ¼ Page ad in program and listing on website.*

**\$50 Make Your Own Prize**

*You may have a friend you want to recognize for an outstanding day on the links. You pick the category and pick the winner and we will bestow the recognition. Think fun prizes such as Best Dressed, assorted golf skills, Crazy Caddyshack Pants, etc. Limited only by your imagination!*

**Auction Advertising Donors**

*Full Page ad \$200.00*

*½ Page ad \$100.00*

*¼ Page Ad \$50.00*

**PAYMENT Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Check / Money Order enclosed payable to SSCEF

Bill my credit card:  MasterCard  Visa

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Every advertising donor will also listed on the event website*

Please send Sponsorship/Advertising form and fees no later than May

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