



ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

Your participation continues to make a difference! Thanks to the generosity of our families and friends, The Annual Fund has grown to \$14, 340.00. We are \$1,671.00 higher than we were at this same time last year! Thank you to all who have contributed.

We remain a long way off from our target. If you have not yet contributed to The Annual Fund, you are still in luck. Our unique Headstand Principal calendar, featuring terrific photography of the South Shore and our very own Ted Hirsch, is still available when you contribute \$30.00 or more. Again supplies are limited, so act today!

South Shore Charter Educational Foundation

AT LONG LAST

The after school enrichment program has arrived. I would like to thank all faculty who have worked extremely hard in making this program available to our students. A very special thank you goes out to Angie Pepin who has been reviewing applications and interviewing our high school students. It has been wonderful to read the applications of so many responsible young people with talents and a commitment to teaching.

Please review the after school enrichment opportunities with your child and if he or she is interested in participating, return this form as soon as you are able. We are anticipating fully enrolled classes quickly. Thank you for your support of this program.

~ Alicia E. Savage, Executive Director

Thursday	01/13	School Council	3:30pm
Thursday	01/13	Enrollment Open House	5-7pm
Friday	01/14	Professional Development Early Release	12:00pm
Monday	01/17	Martin Luther King Day – no school	
Tuesday	01/18	Development Committee	5:00pm
Tuesday	01/18	SSCEF Meeting	6:00pm
Weds-Fri	01/19-21	Grades 7-12 Mid Year Exams – see schedule below	
Thursday	01/20	Education Committee	3:30pm
Thursday	01/20	Finance Committee	6:00pm
Thursday	01/20	Board of Trustees	7:00pm

Exam Schedule

Level IV (Grades 7 and 8) Mid Year Exam Schedule:

Time	Wednesday, 1/19	Thursday, 1/20	Friday, 1/21
8:30-10:00	Block A	Block C	Block E
10:30-12:00	Block B	Block D	Make-Up

Level IV students will be dismissed at 3pm.

High School (Grades 9-12) Mid Year Exam Schedule:

Time	Wednesday, 1/19	Thursday, 1/20	Friday, 1/21
8:30-10:00	Block A	Block C	Block E
10:30-12:00	Block B	Block D	Make-Up

High School students will be dismissed at 12:00pm on Wednesday and Thursday. On Friday students will be dismissed by 10:00 if they are not taking a make up exam.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, June 10, 2011

3RD Annual "Drive Fore the Future"
Golf Tournament & 16th Annual Auction
South Shore Country Club

SSCPS SCHOOL APPAREL SALE

SSCPS is offering school apparel for sale. Attached is an order form that needs to be completed and returned to the Business Office. Cash, Check or Money Order made payable to SSCPS or credit cards are accepted. This is a great time to buy SSCPS apparel and show school pride. Any questions call Kristine Shipp, x106.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed is the menu and order form for the remainder of January which is due Tuesday, January 18th by 3pm. Also enclosed is the February menus and order forms. February orders are due Tuesday, February 1st by 3pm.

LIBRARY UPDATE

The Library Committee has receive many letters from students from Level II and Level III giving book recommendations that they would like to see in the school library. We will use these recommendations to put together a list of books that will be purchased with the book credits that we received from our book fair from last fall. At the present we have a list of 46 book recommendations. The Library Committee is grateful for the time and thought that the students gave to helping out with these book suggestions.

The library is still in need of the following book donations:

Non-Fiction

Sports

arts and crafts

books on different countries such as Haiti, Nigeria and Pakistan

Science books - such as engineering, solar system, atoms

Pet Animals

horses

New Book Donations

The Old Turtle - donated by Carol Wise

Coconut Mom - donated by Mary Sofis

Diary of Wimpy Kid - The Ugly Truth (2 copies)- the parent who donated these books prefers to remain anonymous.

The library is still in need of help in re-shelving books and other library projects as they come up. If you are interested you can email Beth Toma at JToma85103@aol.com.

K-6 PRINCIPAL

Yesterday was the one-year anniversary of the earthquake in Haiti. At SSCPS we have many families with relatives in Haiti and the earthquake touched us all. Today in school we took a moment of silence to honor the spirit, courage and perseverance which are helping to pull the families of Haiti through this horrible natural disaster. The pain and suffering is unimaginable but from what can be seen of the Haitian strength, the will of people is stronger than any disaster and with time and continued support things will get better. We must not forget. May this year be a better year for the people of Haiti and for all of us who know and therefore love Haitians.

On New Years Day I made a resolution: to show more appreciation. Appreciation is something I think about a lot; it is an important part of feedback. The quality of a teacher's feedback to students is an important aspect of good teaching and good teaching along with family support is the backbone of SSCPS' quality education. One part of the volunteering orientation that I particularly enjoy is when the volunteers and I discuss how to give children feedback and how to describe and compliment the child rather than to praise them in absolute terms. In a sense, in these conversations we are having a discussion of how to show appreciation, how to really see and describe so we as adults can encourage hard work and determination.

Just this week I saw one of the finest examples of this concrete specific feedback, and it came from a group of children. I was visiting classrooms as I often do and when I entered Amy Vandenberg's room what first caught my attention was the way all of the children in the room were transfixed by a novel Amy was reading aloud. After the chapter was over a child asked me why I was there and I said because I was very interested in the book and I liked how Amy read. I asked them what they liked about the way Amy read and I got seven distinct and concrete reasons why they loved her reading. The first child told me that she used different voices to be different characters, the second that she was loud enough to hear, the third said that you could tell when it was an important part of the story because she sounded different and you knew to listen carefully, the fourth that Amy could read and look at them to help you understand what was happening and never lost her place, the fifth said that Amy read in a way that you could picture what was happening in your own mind, a sixth child said that Amy read at different speeds to make it exciting, and the seventh said that her reading taught you how to really focus. The children had really been thinking about what made Amy's reading exceptional and they knew how to put it into words. They not only understood what she did technically to read well, but instinctively understood the purpose of studying her reading to improve their own learning. They could describe just how Amy was working hard and focusing to make the story come alive. Now that was some appreciation! And I will be working all year to try to get to the students' level of specific statements that capture the technical and the overarching qualities that make a piece of work outstanding. As a principal and as a teacher my highest moments of joy, in a joyful profession, are when I learn from children.

Happy New Year and may we all keep learning every day. Please keep Haiti in the forefront of your minds and actions in the coming twelve months. May this be a better year for all the people of Haiti and those who love Haiti and Haitians.

Ted Hirsch thirsch@sscps.org

ON THE LEVELS

REMINDER FOR ALL PARENTS – If your child will be absent, please call 781-982-4202 ext. 100 to report the absence. Thank you.

SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "The more the merrier."

Level 2: "On the warpath."

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Why I Go to PA Meetings (and Why You Might Like Them, Too)
Alexis Levitt, P Maya, Grade 1

Never been to a PA meeting? Not sure what the heck they are? Can't muster the strength to head out into a cold night to head back to the school? Here's a short list of why I like going to PA meetings:

Bottom line, plain and simple. I find out what's going on at school. Did you know that we are investigating launching a swim team? That we have a ski club? That last year's seniors went to Paris – Paris! I had no idea.

I get some sense of the continuum of the curriculum through the grades and levels. As folks talk about projects and homework and field trips and developing skills, a small light bulb goes off about how the work in the different grades and levels fits together. It gives me a sense my first grader is headed on this grand adventure of growth and is in good hands.

I get to see Alicia (our new Executive Director) in action, getting a sense of her mind, her interests, and her dedication.

I always learn from Ted. Always. Whether he says a lot or a little.

I get to see my friends. I've only been in this family for a year and a half and am happy to say I've met several people who are downright groovy. I get to see some of them at the PA meeting. And I am making new friends.

PA meetings get me out of bedtime insanity for the evening meetings.

There's food (chocolate, anyone?) and a social half hour before the meeting.

Come to a PA meeting. Find out what's going on at school, meet some new folks, and help brainstorm on current projects and issues.

Remaining Meeting Schedule:

Sat Feb 5	10:00-12:00 (9:30 social time)
Wed Mar 2	7:00-9:00 (6:30 social time)
Sat Apr 2	10:00-12:00 (9:30 social time)
Wed May 4	7:00-9:00 (6:30 social time)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Part time (45%FTE) 18/hrs week Speech and Language Pathologist

On going for 2010-2011


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 EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103 OR EMAIL PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG

South Shore Charter Public School



AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

SESSION I
JANUARY 24 - MARCH 25, 2011



Inspiring every student to excel in academics, service, and life.

Name of Student: _____ **Level:** _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Emergency Contact:** _____

I would like to enroll my child in the following:

	3:00 - 4:00	4:00 - 5:00
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		

Total Enclosed: _____

Each enrichment course is 50.00 per session for eight weeks. Homework help is free!
 Please make checks payable to South Shore Charter Public School. Thank you!
 Financial Aid is available.

After School Program Schedule

Levels I and II	3:00 - 4:00	3:00 - 4:00	4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
Monday	Homework Help	Homework Help	Art	Creative Writing
Tuesday	Homework Help	Habitats	Chess	Recyclemania
Wednesday	Homework Help	Habitats	French (3:30- 5:00)	Kitchen Chemistry
Thursday	Homework Help	Yearbook	Art	Chess

Levels III and IV	3:00 - 4:00	3:00 - 4:00	4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
Monday	Homework Help	Homework Help	Math Games	Creative Writing
Tuesday	Homework Help	Recyclemania	Chess	Habitats
Wednesday	Homework Help	Kitchen Chemistry	French (3:30-5:00)	Habitats
Thursday	Homework Help	Art	Yearbook	Chess



South Shore Natural Science Center

Course Descriptions

Habitats Around the World

Begin with our local habitats and then “journey” around the world to discover other exciting and diverse ecosystems. Have fun with activities from a rainforest, desert, tundra, and more - a different adventure each week. Find out what makes each place so special and why it might be interesting to live there!

Kitchen Chemistry

Have fun discovering what chemistry is all about. Find out what you can do with baking soda, salt, detergent, and other familiar things you have in your kitchen cupboard.

Recyclemania

Create fantasy creatures, space crafts or machines from materials found around the house. Use recycling to turn trash into treasure.



The HEADSTAND Principal



THE HEADSTAND PRINCIPAL CALENDAR FEATURES OUR VERY OWN TED HIRSCH DOING ONE OF THE THINGS HE DOES BEST, STANDING ON HIS HEAD, ALL OVER THE SOUTH SHORE! IT'S OUR GIFT TO YOU WHEN YOU CONTRIBUTE \$30 TO THE SOUTH SHORE CHARTER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION. SO ACT NOW!

FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY, YOUR DONATION MAY BE MADE AT THE FRONT DESK
SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

OR MAIL YOUR DONATION TO: SSCEF P.O. Box 512 ACCORD, MA 02081
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT!



SSCPS & SS Voc Tech Day Ski Trip 2011



- Who:** High School Students at South Shore Charter School and South Shore Voc Tech
Where: Okemo Mountain, VT
When: January 29, 2011 (**Saturday**)
What: Ski and Snowboard
Cost: \$77.00 - Bus and lift ticket * **Due by 1/21**
\$25.00 – Rentals *bring money to mountain*
\$36.00 – Lessons *bring money to mountain*
Lunch: On your own – bring \$\$ or brown bag it
Time: Bus will leave South Shore Voc Tech at 6:00am and return by 7:30pm
South Shore Voc Tech is located at:
476 Webster Street, Hanover, MA 02339
Approx 1 mile from SSCPS
Chaperone: Laura Berger

Money & Permission Slips due to Mary Carter by Friday, January 21, 2011

Additional embroidery											
Shipping charges											
Total Amount Due SSCPS											

Name embroidered on item \$5.00 additional charge
Shipping is \$8.50 per order

Name to embroider: _____print clearly

Ship to:

Name: _____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Please make checks payable to SSCPS

To Pay by Credit Card:

Name on Credit Card: _____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Type of Card: (circle) Visa Mastercard Discover American Express

Amount to be charged: \$ _____

Card #: _____

3 or 4 digit security code: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Authorization Signature: _____



South Shore Charter School
February, 2011
Catered by Essence of Thyme

Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
On January Menu	1 On January Menu	2 On January Menu	3 On January Menu	4 On January Menu
7 Whole Wheat Cinnamon Roll Juice Milk	8 Honey Wheat Bagel Juice Milk	9 Golden Grahams Juice Milk	10 Cheerios Juice Milk	11 Blueberry Muffin Juice Milk
14 Corn Muffin Juice Milk	15 Yogurt Juice Milk	16 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	17 Plain Bagel Juice Milk	18 Raisin Bran Juice Milk
21	22 V A C A T	23	24 I O N	25
28 Golden Grahams Juice Milk	1. Plain Bagel Juice Milk	2. Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	3. Yogurt Juice Milk	4. Raisin Bran Juice Milk

* All Meals include 8 ounce Choice of 1% or Lowfat Chocolate Milk.

***Before placing your order, please inform the school if you have a food allergy!**



South Shore Charter School
February, 2011
Catered by Essence of Thyme

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
On January Menu	On January Menu	On January Menu	On January Menu	4 On January Menu
7 Turkey Hot Dog Potato Puffs Baked Beans Milk	8 American Chop Suey Green Beans Apple Milk	9 Jamaican Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes Peas Milk	10 BBQ Chicken Potatoes Au Gratin Corn Milk	11 Pizza
14 Hamburger on a Bun Potato Wedges California Medley Milk	15 Chicken Parmesan Ziti Broccoli Milk	16 Steak & Cheese Sub Potato Puffs Peas Milk	17 Chicken Quesadilla California Medley Grapes Milk	18 Pizza
21	22 V A C A T I O N	23	24	25
28 Chicken Nuggets Scalloped Potatoes Corn Roll and Butter Milk	1. Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli Baked Apple Slices Milk	2. French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Applesauce Raisins Milk	3. Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice Oriental Vegetables Fruit Milk	 Pizza

* All Meals include 8 ounce Choice of 1% or Lowfat Chocolate Milk.

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South Shore Charter School
January, 2011
Catered by Essence of Thyme

Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
24 Whole Wheat Cinnamon Roll Juice Milk	25 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	26 Cheerios Juice Milk	27 Golden Grahams Juice Milk	28 Cheerios Juice Milk
31 Corn Muffin Juice Milk	2/1 Plain Bagel Juice Milk	2/2 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	2/3 Yogurt Juice Milk	2/4 Raisin Bran Juice Milk

* All Meals include 8 ounce Choice of 1% or Lowfat Chocolate Milk.

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
24 Chicken Nuggets Scalloped Potatoes Corn Roll and Butter Milk	25 Italian Hot Pocket Mixed Vegetables Fruit Milk	26 Beef & Cheese Burrito Refried Beans Fruit Milk	27 Steak & Cheese Sub Potato Puffs Peas Milk	28 Pizza
31 Turkey and Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Milk	2/1 Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli Fruit Milk	2/2 Chicken Nuggets Scalloped Potatoes Corn Roll and Butter Milk	2/3 Turkey Hot Dog Potato Puffs Baked Beans	2/4 Pizza

* All Meals include 8 ounce Choice of 1% or Lowfat Chocolate Milk.

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Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

Breakfast Order Form

Please **CHECK** off the day breakfast will be ordered.

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/24 – 1/28

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/31 – 2/4

Number of Breakfasts ordered _____ X \$1.50
Less credit due _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

Lunch Order Form

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/24 – 1/28 # _____

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/31 – 2/4 # _____

Number of Meals ordered _____ X \$3.50
Number of Slices of Pizza ordered _____ X \$1.75

Less credit due _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

Choice of 1% 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 \$2.00. 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.

Breakfast Order Form
Breakfast for the Month of February, 2011
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, February 1, 2011

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

*Please **CHECK** off the day breakfast will be ordered.*

Week of 2/7 – 2/11 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 2/14 – 2/18 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 2/21 – 2/25 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 2/28 – 3/4 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Number of Breakfasts ordered _____ X \$1.50

Less credit due _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

Lunch Order Form
 Lunch for the Month of February, 2011
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, February 1, 2011

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

Please **CHECK** off the day lunch will be ordered.

Week of 2/7 – 2/11 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
 # _____

Week of 2/14 – 2/18 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
 # _____

Week of 2/21 – 2/25 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
 # _____

Week of 2/28 – 3/4 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
 # _____

Number of Meals ordered _____ X \$3.50
 Number of Slices of Pizza ordered _____ X \$1.75

Less credit due _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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TEEN FRIDAY



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Fridays 6:30-9:30 pm

1/7	Zumba	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	Yoga	7:30 - 8:15	Studio 3
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio
	Wii Tournament	8:00 - 9:30	Lounge

*Watching a cool movie while taking an indoor cycling class

Free Pizza



1/14	Definitions	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	Yldol	7:00 - 9:15	Art Center
	YArt	7:00 - 9:15	Lounge
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio
	Teen Boot Camp	7:45 - 8:30	Studio 1
	Teen Tennis	8:30 - 9:30	Tennis Courts

*Sign up that night required. Must wear non-scutting shoes. We've got racquets.

1/21	Zumba	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	Yoga	7:30 - 8:15	Studio 3
	Bingo	7:30 - 9:15	Lounge
	Teen Boot Camp	7:45 - 8:30	Studio 1

1/28	Definitions	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	Volleyball	7:00 - 9:00	Gym
	YArt	7:00 - 9:15	Art Center
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio
	Teen Boot Camp	7:45 - 8:30	Studio 1

every week

6:30-9:30 pm
Open Swim &
Gym

6:30-8:30 pm
Cardio & Weight
Training

6:45 - 9:00 pm
Gym Games

6:30 - 9:15
Snacks & Drinks
in the Art Room

Teen Friday is included with membership and \$7 for non-members. Participants must be 10- 17 years old. Participants register upon arrival and receive a wristband. When participants leave, wristbands are removed with no re-entry. Every 10 times you come get a prize. Activities are subject to change.

Contact Karen Hirsh

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khirsh@ssymca.org

75 Mill St., Hanover, MA

Find us on facebook: SSYMCA Teen Friday