



PLEASE VOTE

Our high school students need the support of every member of our school community to win much needed grant money for their workshop. Please go on-line and vote today!



Check out the Sunday Globe!

Jonathan Jackson, Alicia Savage, and Tara Turner were interviewed for an article that should appear in the Sunday, January 30th edition of the Globe. Thanks for your support and help! The Veggie Van Team

ANNUAL FUND UPDATE

The Annual Fund continues to grow! Thanks to the generous support from the families and friends of SSCPS, we have currently raised over \$14,944.00. We are almost two thousand dollars higher than where we were last year. We are exceeding grateful for the strong support of our school.

If you have not yet contributed, there is still time to get your Headstand Principal calendar! Please give what you can to support The Annual Fund. It is the support of families and friends that enables our school to offer rigorous curricula and project-based learning. Thank you!

South Shore Charter Educational Foundation

Friday	1/28	SEPAC	8:30am
Friday	1/28	High School Art Workshop Field Trip	
Friday	1/28	7-12 2 nd Quarter Grades Distributed	
Saturday	1/29	High School Ski Trip with South Shore VocTech	6:00am
Wednesday	2/02	Golf Tournament/Auction Meeting	6:00pm
Saturday	2/05	Parents Association Meeting	9:00am
Saturday	2/05	Level I and Level II Social	3:00pm
Reminders:		Intent to Continue forms and Enrollment Applications (including any siblings applicants) are due Wednesday, February 9th	

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 Shipps, x106.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed is the menu and order form for the remainder of January which is due Tuesday, January 25th by 3pm. Also enclosed is the February menus and order forms. February orders are due Tuesday, February 1st by 3pm.

K-6 PRINCIPAL

Last night President Obama gave his State of the Union speech; he talked a great deal about the future and how we have no idea what it will bring, but that if we work together with a sense of purpose it can be bright. He said America had been and could always be the place for innovation. I am certain that the future of SSCPS is bright because there are so many students who exhibit that sense of purpose and innovation everyday. I have been at this school since its beginning sixteen years ago and I have had the privilege of seeing a whole generation of students grow up. It is thrilling to see a person whom I knew when she was a five year old full of promise reach adulthood and gain skills and abilities far beyond my own - an experience I had recently while listening to a former SSCPS kindergartener sing at Jordan Hall at the New England Conservatory. I also know, as a parent of children who started that very first year, the sense of openness and possibility that this school gave them. That sense is in their lives still and is a rare gift. It is that belief that we try to instill in students, that things can happen and that our students can make them happen. We are not a static place. Things just seem to keep happening at SSCPS and in this Update I would like to give a brief account of four of them.

For me, the most important part of our mission is "and Life." At SSCPS we aim to inspire students to excel at life and we have a brand new program starting in our school this week that is an example of the change one

student can make; an example of an individual excelling at life. He is Jonathan Hagberg. Jonathan is one of the many folks who have been instrumental in getting a new enrichment program for students in second through eighth grade off the ground. It is a program largely run by high school students. Last year Jonathan began working with Angie Pepin on the idea of older students helping out younger students in our school; he presented a plan to the school's administration and kept focused on the idea that students could help other students. When Alicia Savage came to our school she brought with her a wealth of knowledge and part of that knowledge was first-hand experience about a program that runs in Boston called 826. 826 was started in San Francisco by a wonderful young writer named Dave Eggers and has a branch in Boston. Beginning this fall a group of our students began working with 826 and was trained there. With these students as the core group, Angie Pepin has created a full fledged program. She has worked as an organizational wizard who has gotten the program off the ground. We are two days in and there are logistical complications but high school-led afterschool enrichment is taking off. Jonathan had a vision and he got adults and many other students to work together to create something new. How's that for innovation?

Three years ago we began offering afterschool tutoring to give some of our students an extended day. Well, kids get hungry and if afterschool tutoring is to be helpful we needed to give them a snack. For the first couple of years when the program was small, teachers and families provided snacks. This year the school took on that responsibility and for many weeks this fall I would tell my colleagues that I could not attend a meeting or talk right now because I had snacks to deliver. I had fun; I would pretend I was a peanut salesman at Fenway! I am not quite sure how it happened, but I think at first it was a one-time thing that I asked Sten Tchouanguem to deliver the snacks. I have never gotten my Fenway peanut vendor job back. It is with great purpose and focus Sten delivers the snacks to the afterschool tutoring students and the children in the new enrichment program. Sten keeps Angie and me abreast of when the supplies are running low and I think that if he keeps this up until he is a senior he may shatter all existing Community Service Hours records. Just another example of how we are keeping up with the future. How's that for innovation?

Last fall Heather Dans, one of our parents, was successful in getting SSCPS to be a finalist in a contest of how individual folks could help make big changes that help the world. We, as is our pattern, were successful and a group of film makers came to make a movie about us. It is only five minutes long and does not try to tell the complex story of our school but it gives a sense of what kind of place we are. The children are wonderful on screen and I am sure each of you will have a different favorite moment. I can't decide what my favorite moment is. I am torn between whether it is when a kindergartener says that he plans to make the world better by making people laugh or when another kindergartener says he wants to make the world better by building houses for other people. Please watch the movie and let me know what you liked best. Here is the link http://www.facebook.com/BritaFilterForGood?v=app_136136786419782; scroll down and look for the film "Kids Green the World."

Speaking of contests, don't forget to vote for our current film by our Biology Workshop. Here are the rules for the Samsung Solve For Tomorrow contest:

- ❖ The first time you vote, you need to register your email address, which is a simple and straightforward process. After that you can simply vote.
- ❖ You are able to vote 5 times a day per email address. However, after each vote, the vote button disappears. Just refresh your screen between votes to vote 5 times.
- ❖ The voting runs through February 18. Please try and vote 5 times a day.

GO VOTE!!

<http://www.samsung.com/solvefortomorrow>

How's that for innovation?

Ted Hirsch thirsch@sscps.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WORKSHOPS & PROJECTS

In The Healthy You project students are currently working on a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the importance of eating a nutritious breakfast. We plan to present this to both level IV as well as to other lower levels this month. Along with working on the breakfast presentation, we have also been attending a variety of classes at the South Shore YMCA in Hanover. Some of these classes have included Zumba, Kickboxing

and Cardio Strength training. It has been a great experience for us to be able to participate in classes we all may not normally take

PE DEPARTMENT AND ATHLETICS

New PE Space - The PE department will be using an indoor space for the rest of the winter. The space is 136 Longwater Drive, only about 200 yards from our school by the stop sign. We are very excited to have this large indoor room to learn and move in!

Permission letters have been sent out to the levels this applies to. Please make sure to get these back to your pod teachers by Friday January 28th so your child is able to participate in PE class.

Sailing Coach Needed - The Nantasket Nor'Easters, a co-ed, high school sailing team, with students from Cohasset High School, Hull High School, and the South Shore Charter Public School in Norwell seeks a Sailing Coach. If interested please visit the following link for the job posting and instructions to apply: http://www.saildesign.com/marketplace/sailing-job-bank/detail_job/1042-high-school-sailing-coach



JANUARY 2011 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Kyle Algera
Westminster College

Alisha Medeiros
Newbury College
Plymouth State University

John Ryan
San Diego State University

Jared Sheils
Thompkins Courtland Community College

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: “A place for everything and everything in its place.”

Level 2: “Everything is ship shape.”

Level II Scholastic books are available online. Please visit www.scholastic.com/clubsordering to begin. Enter our class activation code GRP4K to begin reviewing the flyers and then order online. Sarah Roberts will appear as the teacher. Orders are due online, or by paper order form and check payable to Scholastic Book Clubs, by January 28. If you have any questions please contact Bethany at bwhitemyer@rcn.com.

SAVE THE DATE!!!! SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2011 IS THE LEVEL I AND LEVEL II SOCIAL. WHERE? AT THE SCHOOL WHEN? 3-5pm WHY? TO HAVE FUN WITH NEW AND OLD FRIENDS BRING YOUR FAMILY AND ENJOY AN AFTERNOON OF FRIENDS AND FUN.

IF YOU PLAY AN INSTRUMENT OR HAVE ANOTHER TALENT TO SHARE PLEASE PLAN ON JUMPING IN WITH THE ENTERTAINMENT! PLEASE BRING A NUT FREE SNACK TO SHARE.

Questions? Contact Kerry Griffin at rockgriff@verizon.net

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Parent Association has money to give to you!

Twice each year the Parent Association accepts requests for grants. Do you think the school is missing something? Is there a special project you'd like to bring to the school? Are there supplies that would make learning better? Any parent, student, faculty member, or staff member can fill out the attached Financial

Request form to be considered for a Parent Association Grant. Please act QUICKLY as the forms are due back no later than Tuesday, February 15, 2011

Please return the completed form to me no later than 2/15/11 via email: coffinwife@gmail.com or find me every morning before school in the Level I/II Animals Exhibit Area.

Elissa Dennis, Parent Association Treasurer

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

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 PA Financial Request - Spring 2011

Requests Due by 2/15/2011

Date:

Total Amount Requested*:

Date Required:

Description of request (be specific!):

Supplier Information

Company Name:

Address:

Telephone Number:

Fax Number

Website:

People who will benefit if request is granted:

Submitted by

Name:

Title:

Email Address:

Telephone Number:

*Amount requested must include any and all taxes, labor, set-up charges, delivery fees, etc. Do the research and make sure the amount requested is completely accurate and/or get realistic quotations from the proposed vendor. Requests with incomplete information will not be considered.

Return form to PA Treasurer Elissa Dennis no later than 2/15/2011. I'm in the school every morning until 8:30 at the Animals Area (by music room), or email me coffinwife@gmail.com, or call 617-347-2283.

Additional embroidery											
Shipping charges											
Total Amount Due SSCPS											

Name embroidered on item \$5.00 additional charge

Name to embroider: _____print clearly

Shipping is \$8.50 per order

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
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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.

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

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

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.

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