

Update June 1, 2011 Vol. 6, Issue 1

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

With the Spring Concert this evening and graduation only three days away, the school year seems to be coming to a close rapidly. Our seniors will soon be off on excellent adventures and enjoying all that college life has to offer. When seniors returned last week to present Senior Projects to younger members of the high school, it was a time of excitement and reflection on what had turned out to be very positive experiences and unique opportunities. The Senior Project presentations were delivered well and highly informative – each being as different and unique as the senior presenting. It was amazing to see how much our seniors have matured and grown in a relatively short period of time.



Also apparent was how much we missed our seniors while they were away and

how much we are going to miss them next year. This year's graduating class has been exceptional in every sense of the word. They have led the way in academic achievement and scholarship and have served as strong role models for not only the high school, but for elementary and middle school students as well. It is difficult to say goodbye to them. It is difficult to let them go. And we eagerly await a return visit next year when they come back to tell us all about their freshman year and what they have accomplished as graduates of SSCPS.

Congratulations and thank you to our senior class, to the parents of our wonderful seniors, to the seemingly tireless high school faculty, and to Angie Pepin and Mary Carter whose efforts lift our students to reach new heights every day. Alicia Savage, asavage@sspcs.org

Wednesday	06/01	Spring Concert at SSCPS	6:00pm
Thursday	06/02	New High School Student Meeting	8:30am
Thursday	06/02	Senior Dinner – Weymouth Elks	6:00pm
Friday	06/03	Graduation Rehearsal	9:30am
Saturday	06/04	Class of 2011 Graduation	11:00am
Monday	06/06	Kindergarten Screenings	11:00am
Monday	06/06	The Big Haircut	2:15pm
Tuesday	06/07	Parents Association Meeting & Volunteer Celebration Arrive by 6:30pm to "Meet & Greet" of our new Director of Learning Services - Matt Tondorf	7:00pm
Wednesday	06/08	Golf Tournament and Auction Committee	6:00pm
Thursday	06/09	School Council	3:45pm
Friday	06/10	SEPAC	8:30am
Friday	06/10	SSCPS Golf Tournament & Auction South Shore Country Club	
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THE 2011-2012 SSCPS CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE AT <u>www.sscps.org</u>.

JOIN US FOR GOLF, DINNER, DESSERT, ENTERTAINMENT OR ANY COMBINATION OF THE ABOVE. Friday, June 10, 2011 3rd Annual "Drive Fore the Future" Golf Tournament & 16th Annual Dinner Auction South Shore Country Club Register and reserve your seats online today at www.sscps.org Featuring after dinner entertainment by: Aldous Collins Band. www.aldouscollins.com And new this year... EVERYONE CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE 50/50 CHIP You do not need to be present to win Following tournament play, chip in will be taken by one of our students. The markers purchased will be

placed randomly on the green. The marker closest to where the ball comes to rest on the green wins half of the total received for this contest. Starting today markers are on sale

> 1 Marker \$5.00, 3 Markers \$10.00, 10 Markers \$20.00 Contact: Denise Demaggio 781-982-4202 x207

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BREAKFAST & LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed is the June menu and order form. Orders are due Tuesday, June 7th by 3pm.

FROM THE K-6 PRINCIPAL

In these Updates I write about the seasons of our school year and share with you what I see happening at school. Each day there are special events and countless performances and achievement, learning and teaching and experiencing. I am in a privileged situation where I can travel around the school and enjoy many of the events, rehearsals and classes. I am also fortunate enough to teach some of your children. I see a great deal each week here at SSCPS that is powerful and purposeful, but this week is first among all the weeks of the school year. It is graduation week! Along with graduation comes a tent and while we have this tent we thought we should give a try to see how a performance outside under the tent for the Spring Concert would be.

The most important position in a school is the teacher. It is the teacher who translates the vision of a school into reality and I would like to encourage all of us to honor one of our teachers tonight. Andre Kim, one of our two music teachers, will be leaving us this year after teaching ten years at our school. One thing that Andre has done so well over these ten years is put on great shows where the students perform. We hope all of you can attend the Spring Concert tonight to see the work of our students and your children. These concerts are an important part of the curriculum that Wardie Mannix and Andre present. Please come and see one last Andre Kim concert. This is our first concert outdoors and we urge you to enforce the sitting of families together. We are uncertain about how the sound will be under the tent and we want our performers to be able to shine so please help us instruct your children in how to be enthusiastic and attentive concert goers.

The big event is on Saturday. All graduation ceremonies are important events but SSCPS graduation is my favorite graduation ceremony. I have been to almost all of the first fifteen and I am excited to be at the sixteenth. What makes these events so significant for me is the chance to hear the stories of the graduates told by the graduates themselves in their own distinct voices. We are a small school and there were many years where our graduation class was very small and all of the graduates spoke. The tradition of seniors telling their own story,

because they had voice not because they were selected by the school, is an important tradition here at SSCPS. Any senior who wants to share their own story with the guests got up and told us all. I am excited to hear the stories of maturation and appreciation that I know I will hear on Saturday. When the seniors talk at graduation, they deliver the most powerful message as to why our school is here, why the work of its teachers, founding families, and graduates is worth it. They tell the stories of their lives. Please come on Saturday and I believe your commitment to our school will be redoubled. I know mine is every year.

Speaking of great teachers, please listen in to our very own Sarah Roberts, who is one of four Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Finalists, as a guest on a very good radio show which describes what it takes to be a great teacher. Please follow the link for a very informative and educational thirty- five minute show, http://radioboston.wbur.org/2011/05/23/great-teachers.

Also thanks to Goodwin Graphics for the donation of shirts for Nora Broderick's math students who will be proudly sporting all summer shirts that proclaim the joy of math. Goodwin Graphics also helped us out with the wonderful bus t- shirts designed by our very own Hannah Hayes.

Ted Hirsch ~ <u>thirsch@sscps.org</u> ~ ext. 108

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WORKSHOPS & PROJECTS!

High School Biology Workshop News!

Hello Everyone,

My name is Ken Begin. I am a sophomore at SSCPS and am in the Biology Workshop where I am part of a group interested in Hybrid Wolves. For my Exhibition of Mastery we have been in frequent contact with a non-profit agency in Alexandria New Hampshire called Dancing Brook Lodge, Inc. This organization is dedicated to providing a safe sanctuary for both the family pet and abused / abandoned captive-bred wolf-hybrids, also known as wolf-dogs. Dancing Brook Lodge is in need of donations in order to continue to help these animals and we are hoping we can count on you to help us collect items for them. This is where you can help, and I hope you will. Dancing Brooke Lodge is in need of the following items.

- Dog Food (such as Purina Dog Chow)
- Blankets
- Towels

There is a donation box in the front lobby of SSCPS for your donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity and helping my workshop with this effort.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Please remember to pick up your child's medication by the last day of school, any medication left in the health office will be disposed of or destroyed after this date. State mandated law requires new medication orders to be written by your child's PCP at the beginning of every school year, all current medication orders will expire on the last day of the school year. The August school mailing will contain the current forms necessary for prescription medication administration at school for the 2011-12 year.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Nantasket Nor'easters Sailing Team Information

In thinking ahead to next years fundraising, we are already getting started! There is a fund raiser coming up on Friday June 3rd at Beachfire at Nantasket Beach. Visit the Nor'easters website for more event information: http://www.sailnantasket.org/sailnantasket_home.html

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: "Practice what you preach." Level 2: "Put a feather in your cap."

LIBRARY UPDATE

All books must be returned to the library by June 3^{rd} . The library return policy for overdue books for the end of the year is the following:

<u>All library books must be returned by Friday, June 3rd for a student to be considered in good standing.</u> <u>Students not in good standing will have their report cards withheld until the library books are returned or until</u> <u>the school is reimbursed for the cost of replacement.</u>

An overdue list will be given to the school administration on the last day of school. If a student's name is on this list their report card will be held. If you are concerned that your student may have an overdue library book email the Library Committee at <u>librarian@sscps.org</u> and we will let you know. Emails will also be sent to families with students have that overdue library books and students will also be given a paper overdue notice by their pod teacher to bring home. Thank you, The Library Committee

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The next PA meeting (and last one of the year!) will be held on TUESDAY June 7th from 7-9pm... The newly elected officials will be instituted at this meeting. In addition, this meeting is also "Volunteer Appreciation" night- if you volunteered in the school this year, please come and be appreciated!

Social time will be held from 6:30 - 7:00 and will include the opportunity to meet our new Director of Learning Services, Matt Tondorf.

Next year's PA meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month from 7-9pm (social at 6:30).

COMMUNITY INTEREST

LONGWATER BUS IS HAVING AN END OF YEAR SALE!

For a bargain price of \$250, we will make your life easier, and your child can ride the LW bus to and from school. <u>This is a first come, first serve sale</u>; and available for new or returning riders only (not existing riders). We have a limited number of seats available, and students will be included on our existing route in Hull and Cohasset. To sign up, please email <u>amylemkin@gmail.com</u>

THIS FRIDAY JUNE 3rd 9pm – SMOKY SMILES TAKES THE STAGE AT THE <u>C-NOTE</u> IN HULL

Smoky Smiles is opening again at the C-Note Nightclub in Hull THIS FRIDAY June 3rd! Austin Matthews heads the new line up on lead vocals, keyboard & guitar; Kevin Scollins (of the Foxboro Jazz Ensemble) is on lead guitar and backing vocals; Lars-Borror Chappell (recently accepted at the Berklee School of Music) is on bass and backing vocals; and Christian Lyman (Berklee School of Music) on drums. Jazz legend Wynton Marsalis recently called Christian Lyman "The best drummer of his age in North America." The one hour set starts at 9PM sharp. The club owner is allowing under 21 attend, provided they are accompanied AT ALL TIMES by a parent. The cover is \$10. Your support has been deeply appreciated at the last two C-Note shows, and Austin hopes you'll come again OR come for there first time if you haven't seen him perform. Smoky Smiles NEW CD "Good Day" will be on sale for \$5 at the club. You can hear the CD at <u>www.smokysmiles.bandcamp.com</u>

Registration is now open for Derby Academy's Summer Programs 2011 for ages 4 to 15. **Summer Arts** is a five-week multi-arts camp for ages 6-15, which offers drama, music, media, dance, sports, gymnastics, visual arts, photography and writing. The program dates are June 27 to July 29. There are over 100 offerings and lunch is provided. Derby also offers a series of **one-week camps**, including Musical Theatre, Circus Arts, Daytrippers, Kayaking, Visual Arts, Sewing, Sports, Science, Fishing, Rugby, and Animation. The **Young Explorers Club** is designed for ages 4 to 6. For an application and information for Summer Arts, Summer Fun and Young Explorers, visit our website at <u>www.derbyacademy.org</u>, or call us at (781) 740 4766.

Girl Scout Registration for next year has begun! Meetings for all grades will be held on select Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Daisies (grades K-1); Brownies (grades 2-3), and Juniors/Cadettes/Seniors (grades 4 and up). Meetings run from the end of September/early October through the end of May/early June. Dues are \$32 per semester. Financial aid is available. No one will be turned away for inability to pay. To register or for further information contact a troop leader. Registration forms are also available on the Brownie website, www.sscpsbrownies.homestead.com

For Registration information, contact (Daisys): Heather Dans, <u>heatherdans@yahoo.com</u>, (781) 319-7750; (Brownies): Heidi Alyward, (508) 685-3718, <u>summer_skies@msn.com</u>; Junior/Cadette/Seniors Troop Leaders: Stacy Rousseau (781) 961-4071 or (781) 727-9784; <u>faemoon3@gmail.com</u>; Beth Farmer, <u>bfarmer12@verizon.net</u>, (781) 826-2025. If you are willing to help out as a troop leader next year, please let us

know. Troop leaders are needed for all levels. Older students who are willing to help out are greatly appreciated and it is a fun way to earn community service. Registration is first come, first served. Please note that we expect to be filled to capacity next year so the sooner you let us know the sooner you can secure your daughter a spot.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Donations Needed - Sophia & Alexia Korosidis are collecting used & new stuffed animals for donation to the Lupus Foundation. There will be collection boxes in levels I and II next week. Thanks, in advance, for your donations.

Volunteer Opportunity Saturday, June 4th 2011 9:30 am at Tummies 2 Teens 6 Grove Street, Norwell, MA We are in need of Parents with Mini Vans and SUVs to bring clothing donations from the store to the Cradles to Crayons Brighton location. I believe we would need ATLEAST 6 Vehicles but hope more can join us if possible. There may be some lifting involved although we will have help for the heavier items/boxes. Between loading and unloading time, as well as drive time, I am estimating 3-4 hours of volunteer time can be accomplished here. Not to mention how many children we will be helping by bringing these items to the Donation Center in Brighton! Questions, Comments or Interest please email : <u>tummies2teens@gmail.com</u>

SSCPS Students participating in RELAY FOR LIFE - Jared and Abbey Farmer, Kaitlin and Courtney Morin and Ryan and Sean Gallagher will be participating in the **RELAY FOR LIFE** on June 17th (the last day of school). They will be walking for team **HEART and SOLE**. The Relay For Life raises money for the American Cancer Society. We are always looking for new team members. Please contact **Cindy Morin at 508-468-5715** if you are interested in joining the team or have any questions. Donations can be left at the front desk in an envelope marked RELAY FOR LIFE. Checks can be made out to the *American Cancer Society*. Thank you.

THE 9th Annual BIG HAIRCUT June 6th - 2:15pm All welcome – under the big top Donate hair to Locks for Love, http://www.locksoflove.org, An organization that makes wigs for children who lose their hair from chemo due to cancer. Minimum hair needed for BIG HAIR CUT - 10 inches. But Join us with any amount of hair that can be tied in an elastic.

Come Sign up! All are welcome - family and friends can come and watch or join the event. All you need for either event is a pair of scissors, a Cutter (some trustworthy friend to cut your hair during the event), And a permission slip if you are under 16. Questions? - Claudia at extension 334, in the high school or at cdarrow@sscps.org Be there for the big countdown, a SSCPS tradition and a great time!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Anticipated Openings 2011-2012 High School Chemistry Teacher High School Biology Teacher High School Special Education Teacher-Math History Teacher grades 7-12 English Teacher grades 7-12 Level IV Teaching Intern Speech & Language Pathologist Part Time Music Teacher Part Time Receptionist On-Call Substitutes

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

WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT <u>WWW.SSCPS.ORG</u> EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103 OR EMAIL <u>PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG</u>

Buy your Yearbook!!!

- Go to Jostensyearbook.com to purchase
- \$45.00 online or make check to SSCPS
- For more information and questions contact Jared in room 103 or ext. 324.



SUMMER READING BOOK SWAP

Come early to the Spring Concert and get a jump start on summer reading! A Summer Reading Book Swap will be available before the concert on Wednesday, June 1.

How does it work? It is easy! Pledge to read another book or make a trip to the library and swap your pledge for a free book!

A donation box will be available in the front lobby during the month of May for any books you would like to donate to the Summer Reading Book Swap. All book donations are welcome, <u>especially books from prior summer reading lists</u>.

South Shore Charter Public School



Brockton Rox!

Please join us on Friday, June 24, 2011.

The game starts at 7:00 p.m. Don't miss the fireworks.

Tickets are \$8.00 per person.

Contact Kerry Griffin @ rockgriff@verizon.net or 781 878-3762

Special Offer! Get your ticket to the game and a SSCPS bus t-shirt for \$15 while supplies last.

Name:		
Phone:		
Email:	 	
Number of Tickets:		



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

Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13 Cheerios Juice Milk	14 Cinnamon Rolls Juice Milk	15 Cheerios Juice Milk	16 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	17 Yogurt Juice Milk
20	21	22	23	24

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
13 Chicken Quesadilla California Medley Grapes Milk	14 Chicken Nuggets Scalloped Potatoes Corn Roll and Butter Milk	15 Italian Hot Pocket Mixed Vegetables Orange Milk	16 Beef and Cheese Burrito Beans Fruit Milk	17 Early Release Last day of School	
20	21	22	23	24	
Summer Vacation					

* 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 & Lunch Order Form Breakfast for the Month of June, 2011 *Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, June 7, 2011*

Student Nam	ne				
Pod Teacher/Advisor				Grade	
	Ι	Please <u>CHECK</u> o	BREAKFAST off the day breakfas	t will be ordered.	
Week of 6/6 – 6/10	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 6/13– 6/17	[] 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.			CPS.	\$	
		Please <u>CHECK</u>	LUNCH Loff the day lunch	will be ordered.	
Week of 6/6 – 6/10	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday Hamburger or Veggie Burger (circle one)
Week of 6/13 – 6/17	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[X] Friday
Number of Meals ordered Number of Slices of Pizza ordered Hamburger/Veggie Burger Less credit due Total Amount Enclosed			X \$3.50 X \$1.75 X \$3.50		

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.