



## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, the South Shore Charter Public School community gathered under the tent for the ninth annual Big Haircut. The goal of this event is to cut hair to be donated to Locks for Love, a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide wigs for children and young adults undergoing chemotherapy.

The tent was packed with students, faculty, and parents who had either volunteered to donate their hair, or assist in cutting. This event served not only as a way for our community to give to a wonderful organization with an important mission, but it also served as another means to make our entire community part of the fight against cancer.

Thank you Claudia Darrow, our very own Learning Services teacher in the high school for coordinating such an important school wide event. Thank you to all who participated. As usual, our parent volunteers were absolutely terrific. Following the Big Haircut, three of our parent volunteers who are professional hairstylists, spent the afternoon trimming in real hair salon chairs. Thank you to Jessica Lussier, Toni Yalch, and Kris Larue who brought the chairs in from her own salon. It was amazing to see them work.

Alicia Savage, <u>asavage@sspcs.org</u>

| Wednesday         | 06/08    | Golf Tournament & Auction Committee meeting                                 | 6:00pm  |
|-------------------|----------|---|---------|
| Thursday          | 06/09    | School Council  | 3:45pm  |
| Friday            | 06/10    | Level I Karen's Pod Puppet Show   | 8:30am  |
| Friday            | 06/10    | Golf Tournament and Auction – South Shore Country Club                      | 12:00pm |
| Monday            | 06/13    | High School Field Trip to Canobie Lake                                      |         |
| Tuesday           | 06/14    | Development Committee Meeting   | 5:00pm  |
| Tuesday           | 06/14    | SSCEF Meeting   | 6:00pm  |
| <b>Tues-Thurs</b> | 06/14-16 | Level IV and High School Final Exams – Schedule in 7-12 Principal<br>Report |         |
| Wednesday         | 06/15    | Level III Field Trip – George's Island                                      |         |
| Friday            | 06/17    | Last Day of School – Early Release  | 12:00pm |
| Upcoming Event    |          |   |         |
| Friday            | 06/24    | Brockton Rox – See attached flyer and ticket order form                     |         |

THE 2011-2012 SSCPS CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE AT <u>www.sscps.org</u>.



## FROM THE 7-12 PRINCIPAL

As the school year wraps up, our students in grades 7-12 are preparing for their final exams. Final exams are an important measure of student learning and an opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned over the course of the school year. Below please find the final exam schedules for both Level IV and the High School. **High School students are dismissed at 12:00 on Tuesday 6/14, Wednesday 6/15, and Thursday 6/16**. Please make arrangements for your students to be picked up at that time. On Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> students on Level IV will have their Eighth Grade Awards Ceremony beginning at 10:00am. For High School students Friday is reserved for make-up exams. If your high school student does not have any make-up exams, he or she does not need to attend school on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

|             | Tuesday 6/14                                       | Wednesday 6/15                                     | Thursday 6/16                                      |
|-------------|--|--|--|
| 8:15-8:30   | Morning Meeting                                    | Morning Meeting                                    | Morning Meeting                                    |
| 8:30-10:00  | 7 <sup>th</sup> Math<br>8 <sup>th</sup> English    | 7 <sup>th</sup> English<br>8 <sup>th</sup> History | 7 <sup>th</sup> Science<br>8 <sup>th</sup> Spanish |
| 10:00-10:30 | Break  | Break  | Break  |
| 10:30-12:00 | 7 <sup>th</sup> History<br>8 <sup>th</sup> Science | 7 <sup>th</sup> Spanish<br>8 <sup>th</sup> Math    | Project<br>(10:30-11:30)                           |

#### Level IV Final Exam Schedule June 14-16

#### High School Final Exam Schedule June 14-16

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|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|             | Tuesday 6/14    | Wednesday 6/15  | Thursday 6/16   |
| 8:15-8:30   | Morning Meeting | Morning Meeting | Morning Meeting |
| 8:30-10:00  | Block A         | Block C         | Block E         |
| 10:00-10:30 | Break           | Break           | Break           |
| 10:30-12:00 | Block B         | Block D         | Make up Exams   |

On another more personal note, as many of you may already know I am expecting my first child (a daughter) next month. Having spent the past decade working with children and teenagers and experiencing their joys and challenges from a school perspective, I'm looking forward to the experience from the point of view of parent. This will be my last Update before my return from leave in November. I will miss SSCPS while I am gone and look forward to my return. This August will be the first one where I am not preparing to come back to school since before I entered Kindergarten as a student myself. That is but one of the many challenges that I know this summer will bring. I'd like to thank the entire SSCPS community; parents, students, and faculty, for the outpouring of congratulations and support that you've given me as I prepare for this next stage in my personal life. I am so lucky to be part of this extended family.

-Angie Pepin apepin@sscps.org 781-982-4202 x102

## 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.

## **ART NEWS**

Please take a moment to check out the **Level III** student personal **totems** in the lobby of the school. **Level III** was lead through the discovery process to find their personal totem, or spirit guide as taught through the Native American culture. Students' totems are collectively displayed on poles and throughout the cases.

The **High School's Art Workshop** has been quite busy. Their large **3D pieces** were installed at **Duxbury's Outdoor Complex** which is an art museum located in Duxbury, MA. Their 3D pieces were shown along with several other area schools. The show will be up until June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please also stop by Hingham Center to see a display of **Art Workshop** artistic creations in **Brewed Awakenings** front window. Samples of photography, pastels, pottery decorated sneakers, etc. are arranged for all to view. The display will be up until July.

Keep the **South Shore Art Center Summer Festival** on your calendar, in the **Cohasset Common on June 18** and **19th**. An artistic 4'x6' canvas was created by senior **Shawna Liebert** to represent South Shore Charter Public School in the themed exhibition of "Our Town." See how creatively she handled "our collection of towns!"

## **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: "Turn over a new leaf." Level 2: "Let bygones be bygones."

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS!** On June 6, the junior members of the National Honor Society went to the St. Paul's soup kitchen in Boston to help serve a meal to approximately 150 of the city's needy. The cathedral's Monday Lunch Program is one of several in the downtown area which feeds the hungry every day. Students serving, waiting tables, and cleaning up were (top from left to right): Jonathan Jackson, Kristeen Lau, Deanna Marshall, Kolin Perry, Stacy Tchouenguem, Polina Shpilker, and (kneeling left to right) Taylor Gorman and Alicia Tsang. A service organization, this year the NHS has participated in



Grandparents' Day, Open House, senior dinner, and graduation and will be helping with the upcoming golf tournament on June 10.

### LIBRARY UPDATE

The Library is now closed for the school year. All students' library books must be return before the last of school. 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Also each Pod teacher will receive a list of over due books for their classes. You can check with your child's teacher if you are concerned if your student has an over due book.

#### Donations Kelly Family

#### 1. Buried Treasure

- 2. The Truth Pops Out
- 3. Molly's Surprise
- 4. Toy Story 2
- 5. Bears in the Night
- 6. Smudge
- 7. The Secret in the Garden
- 8. and many others

#### **McKoy Family**

- 1. The Winning Way
- 2. The Box
- 3. Winning Chess Strategies

The Library Committee would like to thank all of the volunteers that gave their time in helping out in the library. Your time made the library the success that it was this past year. We would also like to thank the families that donated pencils, tape, book marks this past year. These supplies are very important to the running of the library.

As I will be resigning as Chair of the Library Committee and also from the Library Committee I would like to personally thank the Library Committee members Bev Bruce, Beth Farmer, Melissa Freitas, Micky Ciambriello and Donna Walsh for all of our help and support these past two years. I could not have done this job without any of you. Each one of year have contributed so much to making the library the success that it is and will continue to be. I know that I am leaving the running of the library in great hands.

Beth Toma, Chair, Library Committee

## **PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

To subscribe to the SSCPS Parents Google Group, simply send email to <u>sscpsparents+@googlegroups.com</u>

## **COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**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, heatherdans@yahoo.com, 319-7750; (781) (Brownies): Heidi Alyward, (508)685-3718, summer\_skies@msn.com; Junior/Cadette/Seniors Troop Leaders: Stacy Rousseau (781) 961-4071 or (781) 727-9784; faemoon3@gmail.com; Beth Farmer, bfarmer12@verizon.net, (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**

**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.

## **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 <u>www.Jostensyearbook.com</u> to purchase
- \$45.00 online or make check to SSCPS
- For more information and questions contact Jared in room 103 or ext. 324.

## 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:              |      |  |
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| Phone:             | <br> |  |
| Email:             | <br> |  |
| Number of Tickets: |      |  |