



Update

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Happy Grandparents and Friends Day. Students, faculty and parents have been busily preparing for this day for months. Our school community is thrilled to be hosting Level I and Level II grandparents and friends for an exciting informational day with the special child in their life. Students in our National Honor Society have taken the lead and were busy playing music, checking coats and giving tours. Our Level I and Level II students were very pleased to be able to share this special day with their grandparents and friends. Thank you to all who worked hard to make sure this day was a success.

Following Grandparents and Friends Day, our faculty was treated to a wonderful lunch before beginning professional development. Thank you to Heather Dans who organized the event, and all parents who provided appetizers, entrees, and desserts for the Faculty Appreciation Luncheon. Your thoughtfulness and support is greatly appreciated!

Another thank you to Kristine Shipps, SSCPS parent as well as Business Manager, who entered our school in the *Touchdowns for Technology* program sponsored by Kaspersky Labs. Last week, we were informed that SSCPS had been selected and that Kaspersky Labs would be donating one computer for each touchdown the New England Patriots made during the upcoming game against the New York Jets. Once again, our school community filled with excitement. On Monday our faculty in Level IV even sported fashionable team wear in anticipation of the game. If you watched Monday Night Football, you know the outcome - we now have seven new computers, six for each touchdown and one extra for being selected that will be arriving in February. This much needed gift from Kaspersky Labs is greatly appreciated and will be put to good use in our classrooms.

On Friday I was very lucky to be accompanied by Abby and Jared Farmer. As Executive Directors for the day, Abby and Jared were of great assistance proofreading and taking photographs in Levels I and II for the upcoming Grandparents and Friends Day. Abby and Jared took some terrific shots of our library and art room where Level I students were busy working on sketching facial symmetry. In addition to preparations, Abby and Jared made some interesting schedule modifications for their level, learned how to make public announcements over the loudspeaker, fielded telephone calls, arranged a tour for a group of teachers coming from a Rhode Island school who want to learn more about Singapore Math, measured and evaluated possible space for our physical education classes in the winter, and mediated a playground dispute. Needless to say, I would not have made it through the day without their fantastic assistance.

Alicia Savage

Thursday	12/09	School Council	3:45pm
Friday	12/10	Nora's Pod Poetry	9:00am
Monday	12/13	Development Committee	5:00pm
Tuesday	12/14	7-12 Warnings Mailed	
Wednesday	12/15	Annual Winter Concert – Hingham High School	6:00pm
Thursday	12/16	Education Committee	3:45pm
Thursday	12/16	Finance Committee	6:00pm
Thursday	12/16	Board of Trustees	7:00pm

prin-ci-pal

-noun

origin 1250-1300

1. a chief or head.
2. the head or director of a school, or, esp. in England, a college.
3. a person who takes a leading part in any activity, as a play; chief actor or doer.
4. the first player of a division of instruments in an orchestra (excepting the leader of the first violins).
5. something of chief importance.

head-stand

-noun

origin 1930-35

1. an act or instance of supporting the head in a vertical position by balancing on the head, usually with the aid of the hands.

Here are the definitions of two words well known to SSCPS. But what do they really mean? Do you know? Even if you think you do, you probably don't. The answer is coming soon... if you can wait.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIZZA NIGHT! The Kindergarten class is sponsoring another pizza night at Sal's Pizza on Wednesday, December 15th from 4:00pm to 9:00pm. This is the same night as the SSCPS Winter Concert. Sal's Pizza will donate 10% of sales to SSCPS to be used to defray the cost of an upcoming field trip for the K's. Sal's is located on the corner of Route 53 and High Street in Norwell.

SSCPS SCHOOL APPAREL SALE

Finally, SSCPS is offering school apparel just in time for the holidays. Attached is an order form that needs to be completed and returned to the Business Office by **DECEMBER 14TH** in order to have the items before the holidays. Cash, Check or Money Order made payable to SSCPS or credit cards are accepted. All items will have the SSCPS Tree logo on the left chest and can either be embroidered or screen printed on certain items. Back Logo on sweatshirts will be SSCPS. Some items will be displayed on Dec. 8th on Grandparents Day. This is a great time to buy that special someone a gift of SSCPS apparel and show school pride! Any questions call Kristine Shipps, x106.

LUNCH ORDERS

Enclosed is the menu and order form for the remainder of December which is due Tuesday, December 14th by 3pm. Also enclosed are the menus and order forms for January – due Tuesday, December 21st by 3pm.

K-6 PRINCIPAL

I am writing this on Tuesday evening the day after the Patriots won us six computers and the day before Grandparents and Special Friends Day. The cold weather has really hit and we have donated the uncollected Lost and Found items to people in need. The Poetry Project, The Drama Project and The Dance Projects are getting ready for various performances and our annual Winter Concert is coming up at Hingham High School on the 15th at 6:00. It is a time of anticipation and preparation and a third of the school year is complete. Progress Reports went home and I have gotten feedback from parents and students expressing both satisfaction and concern. Keep the feedback coming. I can't wait to see the shows. During the Holiday Season, please take time to see the shows but don't neglect to take time for yourself and make the best of winter.

-Ted Hirsch thirsch@sscps.org 781-982-4202

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

The Health Office will be beginning The Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening Program during the month of January. All students in grades 1,4, 7 and 10 will be screened . This screening calculates your child's BMI according to their height and weight . If your child's BMI is above or below the recommended guidelines you

will be notified by mail. This is a new program mandated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. If you do not want your child to participate please notify the school nurse by phone, letter or e-mail.
Thank you

FROM THE PE DEPARTMENT

The cold weather is upon us! Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for their PE class to go outside. This means that jackets must be worn and hats and gloves are strongly recommended. Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter.

ART NEWS

Original Works orders **are in** and will be dropped off to classrooms this week, possibly as soon as Wed. If there are any issues with your orders please contact Marianne at X304. Thank you for supporting the Arts and please enjoy your student's recreation.

Please check out **The Art Workshop** Student display in the main lobby. Student works which was recently at Starbucks in Hingham, MA is now on view in the **front lobby**. The finished pieces are a variety of mediums, pastel, colored pencil and graphite. The work is the direct result of observational drawing and is an accumulation of at least 18 hours by each member of The Art Workshop. Coincidentally the some pieces contain a pair of **Marine Boots and a United States Flag** and were in Starbucks, attracting much attention for **Veteran's Day**. The same display is now awaiting **Grandparents Day** here at SSCPS.

The Art Workshop will be presenting their annual **Fashion Walk** on **Friday, December 17th at 1:45pm**. This year students were given a coffee bean sack donated by **Red Eye Roasters of Hingham**. Their challenge was to create a piece of apparel using the sack. The results are almost complete. If you are interested in a seat, please contact Marianne at x304.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WORKSHOPS & PROJECTS

The S³ (Students, sailing and the sea) Project has been following the Velux 5 Oceans; a singlehanded ocean race around the world that started in October and will finish in May of 2011. This sailboat race is considered more grueling than climbing Mount Everest. Currently there are five competitors sailing environmentally- friendly ECO 60 boats from around the world including a US entry. The students are also studying for their Massachusetts Boating License with the Deputy Harbormaster from Hingham. The students will be tested after 12 hours of classroom lessons on their knowledge of all aspects of boating safety. The license enables them to operate a boat up to 65 feet ALONE.

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

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

LIBRARY UPDATE

School Book Fair

The numbers are finally in. The book fair sold 266 books for a total of \$2,343.23. If we take the 30% in books - which I assume we will do - we get \$702.97 in books for our library. Very impressive I think in this economy. Thank you to all of the families that purchase books from our school book fair and made this book fair a success. The next step will be the selection of the books with the book credit money that we will be receiving. We will be asking teachers and students for their recommendations for books for the library. Last year students wrote letters to the Library Committee with wonderful books suggestions. We will also be expanding the non-fiction selection of the library as these books are starting to look very worn and tired.

Such as the following: **Science; sports arts and crafts; books of different countries** Since we are a school of different cultures we would like to see this reflected in our library books having a book for each country for the students that go to our school.

We would also like to thank families that have been donating scotch tape and book marks. This really helps us from having to order these supplies.

We are still in need of help at the end of the day (from 2:15 pm to 3:00 pm) to shelve books and other miscellaneous library duties. If you are interested please contact Beth Toma at JToma85103@aol.com.

If students have over due library books they will be receiving a paper reminder notice and families will receive an email reminder. It would be very helpful to remind your students to return their library books on time. If a student has over due library books, video, or magazines they will not be able to check out any more library material until all over due material is returned.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



For the 2nd year in a row, SSCPS is proud to be partnering with Anton's Cleaners in their annual **Coats for Kids** drive. We will be accepting donations of gently used, warm winter coats and jackets for all ages, including adult sizes. Please make sure the coats being donated do not have any rips or tears, zippers work, and they don't have permanent stains on them. Boxes will be put in the front lobby for your donations beginning on Monday, November 8th thru January 8th, 2011.

Used Book Collection! There is a box for used books on Level II. The books for the Brockton Adult Learning Center. We need to collect all kinds of kids books, slightly used for kids ages 2-14. The kids get to take home these books for free and it helps the parents learn to read better too. They will take any kinds of books so please donate your old books. Thank you, Level II Student, Shannon Daly

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

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
January, 2011
Catered by Essence of Thyme

Breakfast

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Whole Wheat Cinnamon Roll Juice Milk	4 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	5 Cheerios Juice Milk	6 Raisin Bran Juice Milk	7 Cinnamon Raisin Bagel Apple Juice Milk
10 Yogurt Juice Milk	11 Frosted Mini-Wheats Juice Milk	12 Raisin Bran Juice Milk	13 Golden Grahams Juice Milk	14 Cheerios Orange Juice Milk
17 	18 Blueberry Muffin Juice Milk	19 Plain Bagel Juice Milk	20 Corn Muffin Juice Milk	21 Honey Wheat Bagel Jelly Juice Milk
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.

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



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

Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Ziti & Meatballs Broccoli Fruit Milk	4 French Toast Sticks w/Syrup Sausage Patty Applesauce Raisins Milk	5 Herbed Baked Chicken Scalloped Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Roll Milk	6 Turkey Hot Dog Potato Puffs Baked Beans	7 Pizza
10 American Chop Suey Green Beans Apple Milk	11 Jamaican Beef Patty Mashed Potatoes Peas Milk	12 BBQ Chicken Scalloped Potatoes Corn Milk	13 Hamburger on a Bun Potato Wedges California Medley Milk	14 Early Release No Lunch
17 	20 Chicken Parmesan Ziti Broccoli Milk	19 Steak & Cheese Sub Potato Puffs Peas Milk	Chicken Quesadilla California Medley Grapes Milk	21 Pizza
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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Breakfast Order Form

Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
12/13 – 12/17

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
12/20 – 12/24

Number of Breakfasts ordered _____ X \$1.50

Total Amount Enclosed \$_____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

Lunch Order Form

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

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
12/13 – 12/17 #_____

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
12/20 – 12/24 #_____

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 January, 2011
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, December 21, 2010

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of 1/3 – 1/7 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/10 – 1/14 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 1/17 – 1/21 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

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

Week of 1/31 – 2/4 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 January, 2011
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, December 21, 2010

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/3 – 1/7 #_____

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/10 – 1/14

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
1/17 – 1/21 #_____

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

\$ _____

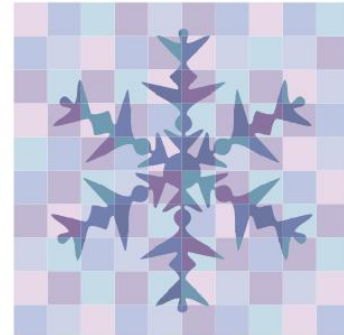
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FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



South Shore YMCA School Age Child Care

**School Age December
Break Out!
12/27–12/31**

Grades: K-6

Fee: \$40 per day

Hours: 8am–6pm

***Program hours on December 31st are
8am-3pm.**



- Registration forms are located at the Front Desk at the Y or on our website ssymca.org
- Enrollment is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis
- For more information please contact:

Jamie Whitcomb—School Age Child Care Director
781-829-8585 x262

Caitlin Cavanagh—Assistant School Age Child Care Director
781-829-8585 x259

TEEN FRIDAY



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Fridays 6:30-9:30 pm

Free Pizza



12/3	Definitions	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	YArt	7 - 9	Art Center
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio
	Teen Boot Camp	7:45 - 8:30	Studio 1
	Rock Band	8 - 9:15	Lounge

12/10	Zumba	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	YIdol	7:00 - 9:15	Art Center
	Yoga	7:30 - 8:15	Studio 3
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio
	Teen Tennis	8:30 - 9:30	Tennis Courts

Leaders Club
Bake Sale



12/17	Zumba	6:30 - 7:30	Studio 3
	YArt	7:00 - 9:00	Art Center
	Yoga	7:30 - 8:15	Studio 3
	Flick & Spin*	7:30 - 8:30	Cycling Studio

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

@ 781-829-8585 x335

khirsh@ssymca.org

75 Mill St., Hanover, MA

Find us on facebook: SSYMCA Teen Friday