



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

There is so much accomplishment to celebrate as June rapidly approaches. Our seniors are back from their internships and are presenting today. Having the seniors back is exciting for us all and much will happen in the days to come. The college acceptance list for the class of 2012 is as follows:

Anna Maria College	New England College
Art Institute of Boston	New York University
Babson College	Newbury College
Berklee College of Music	Northeastern University
Boston University	Pace University
Brandeis University	Salem State University
Bridgewater State University	St. John's University
Cazenovia College	St. Michael's College
Champlain College	Sienna College
Clark Atlanta University	Southern New Hampshire University
College of St. Rose	Stonehill College
Columbia College	Suffolk University
Curry College	Tufts University
Drexel University	University of California/Santa Barbara
Emerson College	University of Hartford
Emmanuel College	University of Louisville
Fitchburg State University	University of Maine/Farmington
Flagler College	University of Massachusetts/Amherst
Framingham State University	University of Massachusetts/Boston
Hofstra University	University of Massachusetts/Dartmouth
Johnson & Wales University	University of Massachusetts/Lowell
King's College	University of New Hampshire
Laselle College	University of North Carolina/Charlotte
Lesley University	University of North Carolina/Wilmington
Lydon State University	University of Rhode Island
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	University of Vermont
Massachusetts College of Art	Wells College
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy	Wentworth Institute of Technology
Massasoit Community College	Westfield State University
Montserrat College of Art	Worcester State University
Mt. Ida College	

We are exceedingly proud of our senior class and this list of outstanding colleges and universities. Congratulations to all of our students, to our hard working faculty, and to Angie Pepin and Mary Carter for all of their efforts in launching our seniors into the next stage of their academic careers.

This month our very own Ellen Dresser, Math teacher in Level IV, presented her classroom based research at the *University of Massachusetts/Boston Symposium on Teacher Education: Learning in Action* on May 12, 2012. As you may know, students in Ellen's class have been accessing our math curriculum by using real life applications. Ellen presented her students with the mathematical challenge of hypothetically purchasing and financing a new car. Students traveled to Best Chevrolet, met with an

insurance agent, and presented their findings. In designing this curriculum, Ellen has sought new and exciting ways to make math more engaging for her seventh and eighth grade students. Ellen’s research project, *Motivating Middle School Math Students*, explored principles inherent to project-based learning and which result in high achievement. Congratulations to Ellen and our hard working middle school students!

Alicia Savage – asavage@sscps.org

2011-2012 ANNUAL SATISFACTION SURVEY

Please complete your survey no later than Friday, June 29th.

Parents/Guardian: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012SSCPSParent>

Students: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012SSCPSStudent>

Board of Trustees: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012SSCPSBoT>

Faculty and Staff: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012SSCPSFacStaff>

Weds/Thurs	05/23 & 05/24	Level II Sarah’s Project Kids Consortium	
Thursday	05/24	High School Parent Coffee	8:30am
Friday	05/25	Level IV Field Day	
Friday	05/25	High School Prom – Quincy Marriott	
Monday	05/28	Memorial Day – No School	
Tuesday	05/29	Level I Parent Coffee	8:30am
Tuesday	05/29	High School Science Workshop to Museum of Science	
Wednesday	05/30	Senior Dinner	6-8:30pm
Thursday	05/31	Level II Dance Performance	2:30pm
Thursday	05/31	Level IV Haley’s Project to Worcester	
Thursday	05/31	Annual Spring Concert at SSCPS	6:00pm

ORDER YOUR SSCPS YEARBOOK TODAY!

Here is the link to place orders for the new SSCPS yearbook. We have ordered 150 soft cover yearbooks for the incredible price of \$20.00. We have also ordered hard cover yearbooks available to seniors for \$25.00. If the senior chooses he can purchase a soft cover instead of the hard cover. They will be ready for delivery the night of the senior dinner. The rest of the school will be able to pick up their yearbook June 1st. Visit <http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A01042183> to place your order.

This year the yearbook committee is trying something new. We have created a senior book. This book is filled with senior pictures, senior pages and baby pictures. We created this book to keep the cost of the yearbook down but wanted the seniors to have more pictures of their time at SSCPS. We also want to fill this new book with “shout-outs”. These are messages that students, parents and teachers can send to the graduating class. For instance...”Good luck at college Kristeen”, from Kathryn. The messages will be scattered throughout the book graffiti style. The messages cost \$1.00. We are also selling half page ads

(messages from a family to their graduating seniors) for \$5.00 or full page ads for \$10.00. Please contact Kathryn Hahn at khahn@sspc.org to place your "shout-out" or ads. An envelope will be placed at the Front of the school on the bulletin board. You can drop your dollar and message in the envelope starting Tuesday, May 8. The yearbook committee will set up a table at lunch Tuesday, Wed. and Friday to receive orders as well. The money generated from these messages helps keep the cost of the yearbook down. So, send a message today!!!!

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 Thursday, May 31st.

How does it work? It is easy! Bring a book(s) to swap or 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, especially books from prior summer reading lists.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN WORKSHOPS AND PROJECTS?

The SSCPS community is extremely proud of our students in the Waste Watchers Project and their teachers, Sarah Roberts and Bill Tramontana. Through their hard work and effort on sustainability and environmental conservation the Project has been awarded the Green Difference Award. SSCPS students were honored at the Massachusetts State House this month. Below you will find the press release sent to Sarah on Friday.

One of the reasons project-based learning is so successful is because it does not teach in isolation. Our students know how to work cooperatively to find information, problem solve, and use knowledge to do something tangible and real. It is wonderful that these efforts have received the recognition they deserve.



THE 4TH ANNUAL GREEN DIFFERENCE AWARDS TOOK PLACE ON FRIDAY, MAY 4TH AT THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE HOUSE IN BOSTON. EACH YEAR GREEN SCHOOLS OF MASSACHUSETTS CELEBRATES THE EFFORTS OF LOCAL SCHOOLS AND AWARDS DESERVING RECIPIENTS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS AND ACTIONS IN THEIR SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES...OVER TWO DOZEN SCHOOLS WERE REPRESENTED AND RECOGNIZED FOR VARIOUS GREEN INITIATIVES INCLUDING RECYCLING, ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND SPECIAL PROJECTS. ALSO RECONGNIZED ON THIS DAY ARE MORE THAN 70 GREEN SCHOOLS STUDENT AMBASSADORS (GRADES 2-12) FROM ACROSS THE

COMMONWEALTH, WHO RECEIVED THE PEYA (PRESIDENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL YOUTH AWARDS) AN AWARD GIVEN FOR COMMITTING MORE THAN 20 HOURS OF ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP. INCLUDED IN THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS WAS A PERFORMANCE BY THE GREEN ROCKERS AND THE REDUCERS, THE OFFICIAL BAND OF GREEN SCHOOLS, WELCOMING REMARKS BY STATE REPRESENTATIVE JAY BARROWS AND REPRESENTATIVE ANNE GOBI, HOUSE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURE, PRESENTATIONS BY STUDENTS ANNE CLAIRE GRAMMER AND ANDREA LANDY, THE PRESENTATION OF THIS YEARS GREEN DIFFERENCE AWARDS AND A CLOSING SONG BY AMANDA MCCARTHY, GREEN ROCKER. THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS WERE RECOGNIZED AT THE EVENT...

1. Abby Kelley Foster Charter School
2. Abraham Lincoln Elementary School
3. Andover High School
4. Beverly High School
5. City of Lowell Recycling Coordinator, Gunther Wellenstein
6. Foxborough Regional Charter School
7. Stonehill College, Bridget Meigs
8. Manchester Essex Regional School District, Green Scholars Advisors
9. Mansfield High School, Project Teammate
10. Newton North High Schools, Greengineers
11. South Shore Public Charter School

12. Touchstone Community School
13. Town of Milton, William Ritchie
14. Wellesley Middle School Green Team
15. Wellesley High School
16. White Oaks Elementary School, Rosalie Tubre
17. Gill-Montague Regional School District

18. Wellesley High School, Eva Loh & Juyon Lee [Certificate of Recognition]
19. W. Bridgewater Middle/Sr. High School, Ashley Faghan [Certificate of Recognition]
20. W. Bridgewater Middle/Sr. High School, Mitchell Manning [Certificate of Recognition]

Green Schools is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to create greener & healthier learning environments through education & awareness. Green Schools provides a number of environmental education programs and resources to schools and communities looking to make *The Green Difference*. For more information go to: www.projectgreenschools.org

ON THE LEVELS

SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "Practice what you preach."

Level 2: "Put a feather in your cap."

THE 10th Annual BIG HAIRCUT will be held Monday June 4th

All are welcome under the big top!- Donate hair to **Locks of Love**, <http://www.locksoflove.org>, an organization that makes wigs for children who experience medical hair loss. The minimum hair needed for the BIG HAIRCUT is 10 inches. However, you may join us with any amount of hair that can be tied with an elastic.

Come and sign up! **All are welcome!** Family and friends can come and watch or join the event. All participants need is a pair of scissors, a trustworthy friend to cut your hair during the event, and a permission slip.

Questions? – Please telephone Claudia at ext. 334 in the high school or email Kris LaRue krislarue@gmail.com

Be there for the big countdown, an SSCPS tradition and a great time!

Last chance to complete surveys and vote for officers for PA and SEPAC! Voting and surveying will end on Friday, May 25th...

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Vote for PA Officials: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012SSCPSPABALLOT>

Complete PA survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PAnneedsassessment>

SEPAC

SEPAC Survey (All Parents please fill out)

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SEPACsurvey2012>

SEPAC ballot (Please fill out this survey if you have a child on either 504 or IEP plan)

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SEPACballot2012>

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE



As we approach summer vacation with our students this is the perfect time to have them work on their community service requirements for the 2012-2013 school year. This will keep them occupied and busy during the summer months. The following are some suggestions for community service summer activities

- Clean up your local park.
- Volunteer at community garden or farm.
- Contact your town recreation department. Many towns have youths volunteer during the summer months.
- Plant crops and donate them to your local food bank

- Help an elderly neighbor by taking care of their yard, walk their dog or any other jobs that they might need help with around their home.

Volunteering as a Family --Family volunteering strengthens families and strengthens our community. When you decide to become a family volunteer, you are not only contributing to an important cause, but you are also helping your family and children in ways you never thought possible. **Children** are able to develop compassion and an understanding of others. **Parents** can help others while spending more time with their kids, passing on important values, and sharing meaningful conversations in a positive environment.

Third annual Harry Potter Marathon Reading, to support the Hull Public Library, is taking place June 2nd. See the poster for details. ***We need readers!*** To assemble a team to read a chapter call Calliope Pina Parker at (781) 925-4781. Parents, please plan to provide adult supervision for your children.



MS Society Bike Ride

June 23-24, 2012 – Boston to Provincetown.

Check website below for more details

<http://www.nationalmssociety.org>



Relay For Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost and fight back against the disease.

At Relay, teams of people camp out at a local high school, park, or fairground and take turns walking or running around a track of path. Because cancer never sleeps, Relays are overnight events up to 24 hours in length. Relayers do not have to walk all night, but each team is asked to have a representative on the track at all times during the event. Go to the website relayforlife.org/learn/index to find out where the next Relay For Life will be near your community.

FRIENDS OF THE Saturday, June 2, 9 am – 1 pm



Trail Work with Friends of the Blue Hills – National Trails Day

Join the Friends of Blue Hills Trail Crew in sprucing up the trails. Includes a hike to the work sites. Wear long pants and gloves. Tools, water, snacks and lunch provided. *Email trailwork@Friendsofthebluehills.org for registration and meeting place.*

COMMUNITY INTEREST

An exhibit at the Hanover Public Library through May 26th called, "Love Makes a Family", which has black and white photos accompanied by biographical narratives. It is being sponsored by the Hanover Diversity Committee. It is a very inclusive, beautiful exhibit.

Holly Hill Farm in Cohasset still has space available in summer programs for children ages 3 through 18. Children will have fun outside, unplugged from phones and screens, doing farm chores, exploring the diverse natural habitats of the 140 acres of the farm's property, learning about growing healthy organic food, cooking food from freshly harvested produce, growing food for Father Bills' in Quincy, and selling produce at the Cohasset Farmers market (and keeping a portion of the proceeds). Programs begin on June 4 and run through August 24. For complete information on all of these programs, visit www.hollyhillfarm.org or call 781-383-6565.

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 Marathon Reading of...

To Benefit the
Hull Public Library

Harry Potter

and the Prisoner of Azkaban

WHEN: Saturday June 2
8.00am – 8.00 pm

WHERE: Wier River Estuary Center
333 George Washington Boulevard, Hull

BAKE SALE: proceeds to
benefit the Friends of the Library

WHAT: Come and go as you please,
and enjoy the entire book read
aloud by local readers!

Costumes welcome!

Donations to friends of
the Hull Public Library welcome!

Questions? Want to assemble a team of readers? Call 781-925-4781

Sponsored by Hull Performing Arts

✂ The Big Haircut ✂

10th Annual Event at
The South Shore Charter Public School
Monday, June 4th, 2012
Locks of Love

An Organization that Makes Wigs for Children
Who Lose Their Hair Due to Disease
[10 inches or more of hair needed]

Please return to Teacher no later than Friday June 1st @ 3:00pm

Name of Student _____

Check all that Applies

_____ My child is getting their hair cut *

_____ My child will be cutting someone's hair

_____ \$5. Donation for licensed stylist "clean-up" *

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

*There will be Licensed Hair Stylists available at the event to "even out" the cuts for a \$5 Donation that will go to SSCPS.

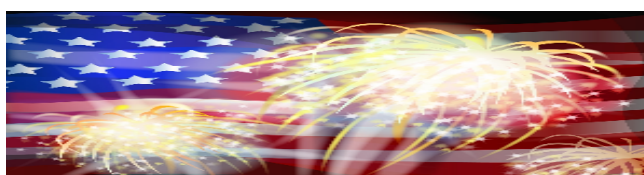


SSCPS FAMILIES



Take me out to the ballgame

Gather your family and friends
Join us for a fun night at the ballpark followed by fireworks.



- What: Brocton Rox vs. Old Orchard Beach Raging Tide
- When: Friday June 22 @ 7:05 PM. Gates open at 6:05
- Where: **Campanelli Stadium 1 Feinberg Way
Brockton, MA 02301**
- Cost: Only \$4 per person.

Please order & pre-pay your tickets by June 8th.
Contact Iris Mahegan with any questions @ valsdottir@gmail.com

SSCPS at Brockton Rox June 22nd 2012

Name: _____

Grade: _____ Pod: _____

Number of tickets: _____

Cut off bottom half fill out and return to school with your payment. *Checks payable to SSCEF.*

. Breakfast Order Form
Breakfast for the Month of June, 2012
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, May 29, 2012

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of 6/4 – 6/8 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Week of 6/11– 6/15 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Number of Breakfasts ordered _____ X \$1.60

Less credit due _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.



South Shore Charter

June 2012

Catered by Essence of Thyme

BREAKFAST

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
4	Cheerios Whales Juice Milk	5	Golden Grahams Lemon Grahams Juice Milk	6	Yogurt Blueberry Grahams Juice Milk	7	Frosted Mini Wheats Whales Juice Milk	8	Cinnamon Raisin Bagel Jelly Juice Milk
11	Cheerios Apple Grahams Juice Milk	12	Whole Wheat Cinnamon Roll Juice Milk	13	2 oz Raisin bran Juice Milk	14	Corn flakes w/whole grain cinn.crackers Juice Milk	15	Whole Grain Banana Muffin Juice Milk

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

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



South Shore Charter
June 2012
Catered by Essence of Thyme

LUNCH

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		
4	Chicken parm sub Tater tots Green Beans Milk	5	Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Beans Potato Wedges Milk	6	American Chop Suey Peas Apple Roll Milk	7	Chicken Pot Pie Mixed veggies Fruit Milk	8	Pizza	
11	Cheese Tortellini Green Beans Roll Apple Milk	12	BBQ Chicken Mashed potato Roll Peas Milk	13	Buffalo Chix Wrap Carrots Grapes Milk	14	Turkey and Gravy Mashed potato Carrots Roll Milk	No Lunch Early Release Last Day of School		

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

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