Update
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Thank you to everyone who participated in the Back to School Picnic. Despite having to reschedule the date due to weather, we had a terrific turn out and a fabulous afternoon. Thank you to Maureen Hebert, chair of the Parents Association Welcoming Committee, our parent and student volunteers, our terrific faculty, and our very talented school musicians. It was a wonderful afternoon!

## The After School Enrichment program has returned!

I would like to thank all faculty, Kristine Shipps, and Charlene Evans for their hard work in making this program available to our students. A very special thank you goes out to Emily Merwin who will be reviewing applications and interviewing our high school students.

Please review the after school enrichment opportunities with your child and if he or she is interested in participating, return this form as soon as you are able. Like last year we are anticipating full enrollment. Thank you for your support of this program.

| Wednesday | $09 / 14$ | Executive Committee Meeting | 8:00am |
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| Wednesday | $09 / 14$ | Level I Back to School Parent Night | 6:00-7:30pm |
| Thursday | $09 / 15$ | Volunteer Training | 8:30am |
| Thursday | $09 / 15$ | Level IV and High School Parent Night | 6:00-7:30pm |
| Thursday | $09 / 15$ | Senior Parent Night | 7:30-8:15pm |
| Friday | $09 / 16$ | Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) | 8:30am |
| Monday | $09 / 19$ | Professional Development Day - No School for Students |  |
| Wednesday | $09 / 21$ | School Picture Day - see below for more information |  |

## PRINCIPAL's REPORT - SEPTEMBER 14TH

Last night we had the first of our three consecutive "Back to School Parent Nights." Tonight it is Level I and tomorrow it is Level IV and the High School. The first "Back to School Parent Night" for Levels II and III was a wonderful occasion that was a bit different for me because I had a case of laryngitis and could not project my voice. As I could not speak much I had more time to listen and it was a great pleasure to hear the collective energy and passion of the teachers and the parents. I opened the Level II and III group sessions with a note of gratitude for three things that make this school special. First that we have a wonderful educational model that combines rigorous academics taught in a purposeful way along with Projects that seek to be learning structures where the students collectively do excellent work and prove their own value by accomplishing tasks. As Rick Small has said for years, school is part of the "real world" and we hope when our students are in that "real world" they are not only studying for future attainment but are productive in the here and now. Second, we have wonderful students whose families have put their faith in us and these students make this model of education work. Third, we have a dedicated, thoughtful and hard working faculty that makes this a wonderful school.

The hard work of the faculty was on display all night and we hope that you can come in tonight or tomorrow to learn more about your student's days here at school. But that is not the only reason to come
in to school as on these nights we also learn a great deal from you. I know that last night I learned a great deal from the parents. Some of what I heard was about what we were doing well and some of what I heard gave me insight into how we could be better. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Two points of clarification on other topics:

1. We try very hard not to schedule meetings between $3: 00$ and $3: 30$ to allow for safe pick up. Our parking and traffic flow are such that additional parked cars and arrival during that half hour is problematic. Please do not ask for a meeting from 3:00-3:30.
2. At the last Parents Association meeting the fee based before school program was mentioned as a service to parents who have a meeting before the school day begins. If you would like to utilize this fee based program, it is necessary to give Judy Pritchard at least 48 hours notice and confirmation before dropping off your children. Judy can be reached at jpritchard@sscps.org.

Ted Hirsch thirsch@sscps.org or (781)982-4202 Ext 108

## School Picture Day!!!

Next Wednesday, September $21^{\text {st }}$, is School Picture Day! Maura Longueil, SSCPS parent and owner of Abbey Knoll Photography, will be coming in with her photographers to take individual and class photos. Please watch for the order form your child will be bringing home on Thursday 9/15. Order forms should be filled out and returned on Picture Day. Be sure to read the order form carefully as it will explain how payment and ordering works.

We would like very much to take the photos outdoors but if the weather doesn't cooperate, there will be a rain date the following week.

## DISMISSAL

Pickup Procedures - from the 2011-2012 Student Handbook (page 37)
All of us share a common interest at dismissal time of getting all of the students safely, calmly, happily and efficiently into their correct vehicles. Our first goal is safety; second a calm and fair system where we all can feel like we have been treated by one another in a fair manner; and then third efficiency. When we follow these procedures we are modeling teamwork and cooperation, two of our school's founding principles. Following these procedures will help us maintain neighborly relations with the other tenants of Longwater Circle and help with the long range financial health of the school.

- The campus is closed to pick up traffic before 2:45 PM. We will ask you to return if you arrive before because we do not have space on campus and this can cause difficulties with fire lanes.
- Only pick up students at the front or the back doors, other pick up points put students' safety and our community relations at risk. You may find that planning to arrive between 3:10 and 3:20 works better for your family.
- There is no cell phone use on campus once active pick-up begins.
- Do not pick up on Longwater Circle as this area is restricted to bus pick up
- Follow the lines and arrows painted on the pavement to assist with traffic flow.
- Never drive faster than five miles per hour on campus.
- All drivers are to stay in their cars and staff members will help your child get into the car.
- If your student or any student in your carpool is not present when you come to pick-up that student, a staff member will ask you to pull into a designated waiting area to keep the line moving.
- All K - 8 students not picked up by 3:25 will be directed to a supervised area. All high school students not picked up by $3: 25$ will be directed to the High School Great Room.
- For an emergency, when an appointment requires an exact 3:00 dismissal, we ask that you pick up your student at or before 2:30.
- Any person who does not cooperate with these procedures will be asked to meet with the Principals.
- Follow the direction of staff at all times and cooperate with other drivers.
- SSCPS reserves the right to transport any student not picked up by five thirty, or any student left waiting for longer than half an hour following a school based event, to the local police department for supervision.


## ON THE LEVELS

## SAYING OF THE WEEK:

Level 1: "An apple a day keeps the doctor away."
Level 2: "Beauty is only skin deep."

## Community Service

This is the first Community Service update from the Community Service Committee. The purpose of this committee is to research and communicate to the school community current community service opportunities and also ongoing opportunities for students and their families.

Since we all come from different towns, it would be very helpful for families to let the Community Service Committee know what is going on in the town that you live in. If you know of an event or will be involved in one even if it is months ahead please email Beth Toma at JToma85103@aol.com and we will communicate this information to all students and families.

## MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:

Quincy Quarries Adopt-A-Crag
Saturday, September 17
9:30 am -12:30 PM Quincy Quarries
Volunteers will be working on making the quarries shine for the fall climbing season. Please wear long pants and bring work gloves. Snacks, water and lunch will be provided by REI. Volunteers who pre-register online at www.rei.com/boston will receive an REI Volunteer OXT T-shirt Please visit www.rei.com/boston to register and obtain directions and more information.

## MONTH OF OCTOBER:

2ND ANNUAL BOSTON BRAIN TUMOR WALK - AT CASTLE ISLAND, BOSTON, MA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011
Day of Event Information
Location: Castle Island, Boston, MA - At Marine Park across from Pleasure Bay
Registration: 8-9 AM
Program and Activities: 9 AM - 12 PM
For more information go to web site: www.BrainTumorWalk.org/Boston.
WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011
The Walk to End Alzheimer's is the nation's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Unite in a movement to reclaim the future for millions. Join the Alzheimer's Association Walk to end Alzheimer's.
Date of Event information:
Location: Pilgrim Memorial State Park, Water Street, Plymouth, MA
For more information go to web site: www.alzwalkMANH.org
WALK FOR BREAST CANCER - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2011
Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is not just a walk, it's a fundraising event. The dollars that you raise help[ the American Cancer Society save lives by helping people get well, stay well, by finding cures, and by fighting back.
For more information go to web site: www.cancer.org/stridesonline

## Trail work Days with Friends of Blue HillsGet Out, Get Dirty, Give Back!

Email: For directions and details trailwork@FriendsOfTheBlueHills.org
Join Friends of the Blue Hills on trail work in the Blue Hills Reservation. Pre-registration is not required.
Saturday, October 15
Saturday, November 12
Saturday, December 10
Trail work from 9am-1 PM

## COMMUNITY INTEREST

GIRL Scouts - Daisys
The Daisy troop (grades K-1) is in need of a leader. The Daisy troop will not continue this year unless someone steps forward. We have some older students who are willing to assist with the Daisy troop to lend a hand to the adult leader. Meetings for the older girls (Brownies/Juniors/Cadettes/Seniors) will be held on select Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. and run from the end of September 28 through June 6.

If you are able to be a Daisy troop leader, contact a troop leader. (Brownies): Heidi Alyward, (508) 6853718, summer_skies@msn.com; Maureen Hebert, (781) 837-8952, mhebert@metlife.com; (Junior/Cadette/Seniors): Stacy Rousseau (781) 961-4071 or (781) 727-9784; faemoon3@gmail.com; Beth Farmer, bfarmer12@verizon.net, (781) 826-2025.

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


# Saturday, October 15 <br> 9:00 day of Registration, 11:00 Harvest Race Begins! <br> Wompatuck State Park <br> Hingham, MA 

www.harvestrun.homestead.com
*Sign up before September $25^{\text {th }}$ to be guaranteed a t-shirt*

## Volunteers Needed

Friday 1:30-7:00
Marathon Sports, Route 53 Norwell

## Saturday 8:00-3:00

## SSCPS and YMCA After School Enrichment Program

Our After School Enrichment Program runs Monday through Thursday beginning Tuesday, September $20^{\text {th }}$ ending Monday November 21st. The program starts at dismissal and ends at 5:00pm. All programs are held at SSCPS with the exception of swimming.

Homework Club-Homework Club is for students in Grades 2-8 that want to get a head start on their homework or get extra help from our High School Students. Homework Club begins after dismissal until 4:00 pm at no cost to the student. However, Homework Club help from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Monday -Thursday costs $\$ 40.00$. SSCPS Registration Form attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Swimming- This class is for students in Grades 2-4. This class can only accommodate 16 students. So register early! We will be using the pool at Webb's Pro Fitness Facility in Norwell and students will be transported by the school's van and chaperoned by a parent. Class starts at $3: 15 \mathrm{pm}$ and ends at $4: 15$ on Mondays. Students must be picked up by $4: 15$ at Webb's Pro Fitness. The cost of this 8 week swimming program will be $\$ 100.00$. Instructor Alex Canning. SSCPS Registration Form and the Webb's release form are attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Knitting-This class is for students in Level II-HS (parents also welcome) that want to learn how to knit, learn to follow a pattern, and create your own knitted designs. Monday's from 4:00 pm 5:00 pm. Instructors Mac Haran and Jenny Kostka. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 40.00$. SSCPS Registration Form attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Art with Kathryn-This class is for students in Grades 2-Level III that will work on a group art project for the school that involves recycling. Instructor Kathryn Hahn. Sessions are held on Tuesday or Wednesdays from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 40.00$ per session. SSCPS Registration Form attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Oral Story Telling-This class is for students in Grades 2-8. This project is performance based, but will also take a brief look at the historical and cultural roots of storytelling through the ages. Each student will be invited to work through the multiple processes necessary for a storyteller to "own his or her story" through careful selection, practice, and finally....presentation. Wednesday's from 4:00 pm-5:00 pm. Instructor Judy Pritchard. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 40.00$. SSCPS Registration Form attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Nature Program-This class is for students in Grades 2-6. and is designed to increase the opportunities to enjoy the natural setting surrounding our school, reaping the physical and emotional benefits that nature offers. The students will go outside each week, rain or shine, so please have your child dress accordingly. Some of the topics of interest they will explore are outdoor games, native birds, identifying trees, gardening, mapping, and more. Also, each week the student will be asked to sketch/write about their discoveries. Thursday's from 4:00 pm 5:00 pm. Instructor June Fontaine. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 40.00$. SSCPS Registration Form is attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Running Club-This class is for students in Levels II-IV and is being offered to help build up endurance for the Harvest Run in the four weeks of running up to the event. Pack a water bottle, comfortable running clothes and sneakers. The instructors will track progress each week and help each runner to their personal best! Instructors Maureen Hebert and Mary Oxner. The
cost of this club is $\$ 25.00$ and covers the cost of your child's entry fee in the Harvest Run. Thursday's from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm. SSCPS Registration Form is attached. Please make checks payable to SSCPS.

Spark! Math in Motion-This class is for students in grades 3 \& 4. It is run by the SSYMCA. Children will practice math skills and drills while moving and having fun. Great for kinesthetic learners. Instructor Tanya Maniscalco. Class \# 50AEYCL88. Monday's from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm . The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 80.00$. To register for this class go to SSYMCA.org click on the register on line button and follow the instructions. Or call Kim Engle 781-829-8585 x321.

Spark! Reading in Motion-This class is for students in grades 2. It is run by the SSYMCA. Moving with phonics, vocabulary and stories. Have fun with language! Great for kinesthetic learners. Class\# 50AEYCL87. Tuesday's from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Instructor Tanya Maniscalco. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 80.00$. To register for this class go to SSYMCA.org click on the register on line button and follow the instructions. Or call Kim Engle 781-829-8585 x321.

A cappella plus choir-This class is for students in grades 5-8. It is run by the SSYMCA. Class\# 50AEYCL86. Tuesday's 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Instructor Kim Engle. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 80.00$. To register for this class go to SSYMCA.org click on the register on line button and follow the instructions. Or call Kim Engle 781-829-8585 x321

Beading, Jewelry, Hemp and More-This class is for students in grades 5-8. It is run by the SSYMCA. Make creations for wearing, giving, \& trading. Class\#50AEYCL85. Monday's from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Instructor Elissa Dennis. The cost of this 8 week class is $\$ 80.00$. To register for this class go to SSYMCA.org click on the register on line button and follow the instructions. Or call Kim Engle 781-829-8585 x321

For questions about the SSCPS after school offerings, please call Charlene Evans, After School Enrichment Coordinator x156.

For questions about the SSYMCA after school offerings, please call Kim Engle at 781-829-8585 x321.

SSCPS and YMCA After School Weekly Schedule

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Homework Club | Homework Club | Homework Club | Homework Club |
| Swimming-Grades 2-6 | Art with Kathryn <br> Grades 2-6 | Art with Kathryn <br> Grades 2-6 | Running Club LII-IV |
| Knitting Level II-HS | A cappella plus <br> Choir | Oral Story Telling LI- <br> IV | Nature Program <br> Grades 2-6 |
| Spark! Math in Motion <br> Grades 3 \& 4 | Spark! Reading in <br> Motion |  |  |


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| Beading, Jewelry, Hemp <br> and more |  |  |  |

## SSCPS AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Students Name: $\qquad$ Grade \& Pod
Teacher $\qquad$
Please circle the following SSCPS activities that you are electing to register your child in:

| Monday | Tuesday | Thursday |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Homework Club | Homework Club | Homework Club | Homework Club |
| Swimming-Grades. <br> $2-4$ | Art with Kathryn <br> Grades. 2-6 | Art with Kathryn <br> Grades. 2-6 | Running Club LII-IV |
| Knitting Level II-HS |  | Oral Story Telling LI-IV | Nature Program <br> Grades. 2-6 |


| Activity | Cost | Class | Total Amount Due |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Swimming | $\$ 100.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Homework Club | $\$ 40.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Art with Kathryn | $\$ 40.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Running Club | $\$ 25.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Knitting | $\$ 40.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Oral Story Telling | $\$ 40.00$ |  | $\$$ |
| Total Amount Due |  |  | $\$$ |

I give my child permission to participate in the SSCPS After School Enrichment Program. Please make all checks payable to SSCPS. I will make arrangements to have my child picked up at 5:00 pm each day. SSCPS reserves the right to transport any student not picked up by $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$, or any student left waiting for longer than half an hour following a school based event, to the local police department for supervision.

The following individuals will pick up my child from the program:

South Shore Charter Public School
Parents Association

Advertise in the SSCPS Directory: It is that time of year.... the elves are hard at work on this year's SSCPS Directory of Families and Faculty/Staff !!!! Stay tuned for the delivery date...In the meantime, we are selling ads in the directory for SSCPS-related folks. Business card size (\$25), half page(\$50) and full page (\$100)

So if you want to advertise to the SSCPS community... send your information to Pam Algera palgera@sscps.org or you may drop your information as a pdf or MS publisher document with payment (made out to SSCPS) at the front desk. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Harvey-Mone (molimu@gmail.com or at 617-763-1533). The deadline to submit your ads is Monday, September 26, 2011

Parent Representatives to School Council and Education Committee will be appointed: If you are interested in serving on either of these committees, please email Lisa Harvey-Mone molimu@gmail.com

School Council: Consisting of six parents, six teachers, three students, and the Principals, the Council provides advice to the Principals and the Executive Director on budget, policy, curriculum, school evaluation, schedules, and discipline matters, while also keeping the Board of Trustees informed of developments in the School.

School Council meets on the second Thursday of the month at 3:45pm unless otherwise noted.
We would like to have a parent representative from each level +1 additional parent.
The Education Committee of the South Shore Charter Public School is comprised of the Executive Director, the two principals, the five level coordinators, a Board of Trustee member and parents/guardians of students. The committee is a deliberative body that makes recommendations to the school on educational matters. It studies the performance of the SSCPS students and guides the school administration on educational planning and assessment. It is important for the group to hear the input and values from families of a variety of ages.

One K-6 parent \& one 7-12 parent is needed for each committee.
Education Committee meetings on the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Thursday of each month at $3: 45 \mathrm{pm}$.

Dining-for-a-Cause: Join us on September 27th at Chili's in Hingham - an early release day- Just give the flyer, below, to your server, eat lots of food and $10 \%$ of your check will come back to SSCPS! So pick the kids up at noon and take them to Chili's for lunch!!!! (You MUST have the flyer with you!)

Get Involved: We still have lots of great volunteer opportunities on our various committees. Please see the information below for a description of the tasks/events from each committee, the goals for the year and ways that you can help out. Contact Committee Chairs by email to volunteer.

Proposed PA Committee: Technology (formation of this committee will be voted on at the next PA meeting)
The goal of the Technology Committee is to facilitate communication and distribution of knowledge among the school parent community and coordinate PA use of technology. The Technology Committee will coordinate with the googlegroups Administrator to ensure those wishing to be included are successfully enrolled on the googlegroups discussion group. The Technology Committee webmaster will gather and post information of interest to the school parent community on the Parent's Association website and coordinate material posted in the parents section of the school website. The content of the website is designed to be informative, to supplement the school website and official school notices, rather than opinion driven or in contradiction to official school publications. Out of an abundance of caution to ensure a cohesive and consistent message, the following applies: In the event the Executive Director or Parent's Association Chairperson requests that any material not be posted on the website, the webmaster agrees to remove the material from the PA website until a vote by the PA is taken to determine if the material will be posted again or remain offline. By agreeing to serve as the webmaster, the webmaster agrees to remove any material from the website in accordance with the prior sentence. If you are interested in serving as Technology Committee Chair, please email Lisa Harvey-Mone molimu@gmail.com

Stay connected by joining the SSCPS Parents Google Group ...
To subscribe simply send email to sscpsparents+subscribe@googlegroups.com
Thanks for all you do!

## 2011-2012 Arts \& Music Committee

Heather Dans: heatherdans@yahoo.com
Committee Description: The Arts \& Music Committee is for all those who have a love for the Arts and Music Events who want to work to bring them closer to our students at SSCPS. We have so much going on here on the south shore and in Boston that we should take advantage of! Through this committee we hope to bring the community closer through school events, off-site trips, and an increased awareness of the positive impact the Arts have on children.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. My initial goal is to COMMUNICATE the various opportunities our students have to participate in and/or enjoy artistic events on the south shore. Examples of events include theater productions, musical concerts, museum exhibits, etc.
2. A second goal is to coordinate FIELD TRIPS outside of school to attend artistic events. For example, if there is a theater production in Norwell that is appropriate, I will work to arrange for tickets (possibly at a discount) and organize a SSCPS group to attend.
3. I would also like to have the Arts come to us! In June I met with the Outreach Director at the South Shore Conservatory to discuss the possibility of having musical lessons or musical programs offered at school. I am waiting to hear back from her.

## Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed: IDEAS!!!!!

## 2011-2012 Community Service Committee Beth Toma: jtoma85103@aol.com

Committee Description: Research and communicate to students and families what Community Service opportunities are available through the different South Shore communities, United States and internationally.

## Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Find out what is available by town in the South Shore area for Community Service opportunities listing it my month and throughout the year.
2. Give students, and their families, ideas about what to do for Community Service by level (grade).
3. Communicate information via school web site/ PA web site and schools weekly update.
4. Ask students to share what are currently doing for Community Service.
5. Survey families to find out what they have done in the past for Community Service.
6. Find out what Community Service Scholarships are currently available for High School students.
7. Publish a book at the end of the year sharing what students have done through Community Service.

## Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed:

1. Helping to research what is available for Community Service on the South Shore and communicating this to Community Service Chair.
2. Developing a survey to find out what students and families have done in the past for Community Service.
3. Helping to publicize Community Service opportunities to the school community.
4. Researching what scholarships are available for High School students.
5. Assist in publishing a book at the end of the school year highlighting what students have done through Community Service.

## 2011-2012 Fundraising Committee <br> Gwen Watchorn: sgwatchorn@gmail.com

Committee Description: The fundraising committee organizes/plans fundraising and social activities for the school to support the PA.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Have a group of parents help re-implement the Touch-A-Touch Fundraiser. Organize event and/or contact local public services agencies and construction companies to donate trucks.
2. *** Gather a group of creative parents to brainstorm and plan fundraising activities! Meet once a month or so as a group.
3. Have a group of parents who would volunteer for specific projects (Dine-for-a-Cause, Touch-a-Truck, Annual Auction, or let me know what you are passionate about!) This is for parents who are interested in helping, but can't commit to a monthly schedule.
4. Gather creative and fun ideas for future events! Please describe your ideas.

Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed: See above goals for task examples!

## 2011-2012 Health \& Safety Committee <br> Mary Foster: mkbfoster@aol.com

Committee Description: This committee guides the development of the health curriculum, safety policies and relations with various medical centers, adherence to related health laws, anti-smoking programs, drug prevention programs, medical policies and procedures.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Since health \& safety has not had a huge presence at SSCPS, I wanted input from parents before I created descriptions etc.

Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed: none listed to date

## 2011-2012 Library Committee <br> Beth Farmer: bfarmer12@verizon.net \& Mickey Ciambriello: micgiociam@verizon.net

Committee Description: The SSCPS library runs on volunteers. This committee is responsible for all aspects of ensuring the library is run as efficiently and effectively as possible by coordinating library times with the teachers and volunteers, implementation of procedures to improvement process flows and work with the school administration to establish common goals. In addition, the Library Committee is responsible for the ongoing management of the library collection, fundraising to acquire new materials, writing grants and participating in the creation of an expanded library/media center.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Automate the school's library
2. Identify and install software that will be used to keep track of the books and magazines owned by the library.
3. Install all aspects associated with the software, cataloging book inventory and creating library cards for the students and teachers.
4. Complete the inventory process to fully automate the library
5. Ensuring the library inventory can be accessed by all classrooms allowing them to find books related to EOM or class subjects.
6. Implement programs to improve the efficiency and general appearance of the library
7. Identify and purchase reference books that will complement the school's curriculum and projects.

## Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed:

Committee Chair - Responsible for coordinating all volunteers and teacher's library time. In addition, the Library Committee is responsible for overseeing all aspects with the ongoing management of the library collection, fundraising to acquire new materials, writing grants and participating in the creation of an expansion. Establishes and ensures completion of the yearly goals.

Committee Member - This volunteer may either be responsible for or assist with the book fare and fundraising efforts to acquire new materials to enhance our current collection, make suggestions for the purchase of new materials and make improvement suggestions. Assist with the timely completion of the yearly goals. This position may even work as a library aid volunteer.

Teacher's library aid volunteer - You will be in charge of all aspects associated with the library during your assigned time. Duties include, responsible for the students while they are in the library, assisting them with appropriate book choices, checking books in and ensuring the library is in good order for the next class that visits.

Library organizer - You will be in charge of the general appearance of the library. Check in any book that has been left in the book drop, reshelf any book that is on the return cart and reorganize books on the shelves.

Note: Duties outlined are general and may not be all inclusive.

## 2011-2012 Volunteer Committee

## Jessica Lussier: jessicalussier5@gmail.com

Committee Description: The Volunteer Coordinator compiles information from those willing to volunteer and shares it with faculty and staff and then compiles the volunteer needs of the school and communicates with those willing to volunteer about specific "assignments" and opportunities to volunteer at the school.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Make a questionnaire available to parents to help build a database to be used by other committee's that are looking for volunteers.
2. Attend Volunteer Orientations for new parents.
3. Collect questionnaires and enter info into a database. Create a Volunteer e-mail group.
4. Collect Volunteer Sign-In Sheets and log Volunteer Hours.
5. Create a list for each level coordinator of parents on their level who have completed a CORI and a confidentiality agreement.

Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed:
-Periodically get an updated CORI list from Pam and add to lists given to level coordinators.
-Represent the Volunteer Committee on back to school nights and other events.
-Collect information about where and when we need Volunteers and send it to Pam to be put in the weekly Update.

## 2011-2012 Welcoming \& Events Committee <br> Maureen Hebert: mhebert@metlife.com

Committee Description: Contact families of new, incoming SSCPS students to welcome them into the school community, and to provide them with information about the school and the Parents Association.

Committee Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Coordinate the Back To School Picnic.
2. Contact families new to the school to welcome them into the school community, answer questions, provide information about the Parents Association and how to stay informed about the school, and put them in touch with a Parent Partner in the same grade as their child(ren).
3. Assist the school with Open House Nights (fall and spring) by providing parent volunteers and refreshments for the night of the event.
4. Assist with development of Welcome to the Level guidebooks.
5. Encourage each grade/level to hold a family social event during the year.
6. Assist with coordinating content on website so parents have up to date information.

Specific tasks/examples of type of help needed:
-Parent Partners - parent willing to reach out to families new to the school in the same grade as new student to welcome them to the school community and answer questions.
-Open House Night - greet families visiting the school at Open House Night and answer questions. Provide refreshments (drinks and light snacks) for event.
-Welcome to the Level Guidebooks - assist with developing content and layout for guidebooks and work in conjunction with school for final approved copy.
-Social Events - promote grade/level family social and find person(s) to spearhead event for each grade/level

## 2011-2012 Special Education Parent Advisory Council Hope Malnati: hmjtb5@gmail.com \& Sandra Somerville: sanshir@aol.com

Description: The Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is a parent advisory council established to assist parents and families of children with learning differences and special needs. SEPAC seeks to enhance the services and supports needed for our children so they can thrive and reach their potential.

SEPAC Goals for 2011-2012:

1. Develop a mission statement.
2. Update SEPAC Bylaws.
3. Getting more members to be a part of this council
4. Getting meeting updates/news out to more interested people.
5. Seeing what our members need, for example; workshops that would be of interest.

Matt will be hosting a Basic rights workshop (date to be decided at/right after the first SEPAC Meeting)

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## Breakfast \& Lunch Order Form September 2011 Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, September 20, 2011

Student Name $\qquad$

Pod Teacher/Advisor $\qquad$ Grade $\qquad$
Please CHECK off the day breakfast will be ordered.
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday
$9 / 26-9 / 30$
$\qquad$ X \$1.60

Less credit due
Total Amount Enclosed
\$ $\qquad$
Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.
Lunch Order Form
Please CHECK off the day lunch will be ordered.

| Week of |
| :--- |
| $9 / 26-9 / 30$ |

Number of Meals ordered $\quad$ X $\$ 3.75$
Number of Slices of Pizza ordered $\quad$ X $\$ 1.75$
Number of Hamburgers/Veggie Burgers ordered _ X \$3.75
Less credit due
Total Amount Enclosed
\$ $\qquad$
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 35 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 <br> Breakfast for the Month of October, 2011 <br> Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2011 

Student Name $\qquad$
Pod Teacher/Advisor $\qquad$ Grade $\qquad$
Please CHECK off the day lunch will be ordered.
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday
10/3-10/7

Week of [X] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday 10/10-10/14 No School

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [X] Friday 10/17-10/21

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday
10/24-10/28

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday 10/31-11/4

Number of Breakfasts ordered $\qquad$ \$1.60
Less credit due

## Total Amount Enclosed

\$
Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

Lunch Order Form
Lunch for the Month of October, 2011 Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2011

Student Name $\qquad$

Pod Teacher/Advisor $\qquad$ Grade $\qquad$
Please CHECK off the day lunch will be ordered.
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday
$10 / 3-10 / 7$

(circle one)
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [X] Friday 10/17-10/21

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [X] Thursday [ ] Friday 10/24-10/28
Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday

| [ $10 / 31-11 / 4$ |
| :--- |
| or |

Burger

| Number of Meals ordered |  | X | $\$ 3.75$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Slices of Pizza ordered |  | X | $\$ 1.75$ |
| Number of Hamburgers/Veggie Burgers ordered |  |  |  |
| $\quad$Less credit due  <br> Total Amount Enclosed  | X | $\$ 3.75$ |  |

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.
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| BREAKFAST <br> Monday | Tuesday Wednesday |  | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 <br> Corn Flakes w/whole grain cinn. Crackers Juice Milk | 4 Honey wheat bagel w/jelly Juice Milk | 5Frosted mini wheats <br> Crackers <br> Juice <br> Milk | 6 <br> Whole wheat muffin Juice Milk | ```7 Cheerios w/ whole wheat cinn. Graham crackers Juice Milk``` |
| $10$ <br> No School <br> Columbus Day | $11$ <br> Raisin Bran Crackers Juice Milk | $12 \quad \begin{gathered} \text { Fruit Yogurt Parfait } \\ \text { Milk } \end{gathered}$ | $13$ <br> Whole Cinn. Roll Juice Milk | $14$ <br> Bagel w/jelly <br> Fruit <br> Milk |
| $17$ <br> Apple Jacks Crackers Juice Milk | $18$ <br> French Toast Sticks Juice Milk | 19 <br> Cinn. Raisin bagel w/jelly Juice Milk | 20 <br> Cheerios w/ whole wheat cinn. Graham crackers Juice Milk | $21$ <br> No School <br> Professional Dev. Day |
| 24 <br> Frosted Mini Wheats Crackers Juice Milk | $25 \quad$Bagel w/jelly <br> Juice <br> Milk | $26$ <br> Golden Grahams Crackers Juice Milk | $27$ <br> Fruit Yogurt Parfait Milk | $28$ <br> Whole wheat blueberry muffin Juice <br> Milk |
| 31Raisin Bran <br> Crackers <br> Juice <br> Milk | 11/1 <br> Whole Wheat cinn. Bun Juice Milk | 11/2Corn Muffin <br> Juice <br> Milk | $11 / 3$ <br> Cheerios w/ whole wheat cinn. Graham crackers Juice Milk | $\begin{gathered} \text { 11/4 } \\ \text { Yogurt w/ granola bar } \\ \text { Juice } \\ \text { Milk } \end{gathered}$ |

* 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!

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