



**FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

This past weekend serves us all as a reminder of what makes South Shore Charter Public School an institution of high achievement and school spirit.

There were many events happening – on Saturday 20 families came to our school to volunteer for community service clean up. Also on Saturday, our cross country team successfully competed in their final meet of the season moving from sixth place to third! And finally, our fantastic high school soccer team won Saturday’s semi-finals! Our soccer team made it to the playoffs on Sunday and did a terrific job playing their hearts out. Although the Jaguars were unable to pull out a win, they played with terrific spirit and great sportsmanship.

These weekend happenings, although different, point to the importance of school spirit and pride in the South Shore Charter Public School.

Congratulations to our volunteering community service families and to Beth Toma for coordinating the effort, congratulations to our cross country team and their coaches Rachel Jones and Joe Kay, and congratulations to our amazing high school soccer team and their coaches Heather Fredette and Terry Lynch.

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<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/10</b>	<b>Grandparents &amp; Friends Day</b>	<b>10am-12pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/10</b>	<b>7-12 grades distributed</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/10</b>	<b>Professional Development Early Release</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11/11</b>	<b>Veteran’s Day – no school</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>11/14</b>	<b>Facilities Committee</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11/15</b>	<b>High School Parent Coffee</b>	<b>8:20am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11/16</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night</b>	<b>6:30-7:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>Level III Wheelock</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>Education Committee</b>	<b>3:45pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>SEPAC Workshop – Basic Rights</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>Development Committee</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11/17</b>	<b>Board of Trustees</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

The Library Committee is hosting the annual Fall Book Fair on **Wednesday November 10<sup>th</sup> and the morning of Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup>** to coincide Grandparents'/Special Friends Day. This event is a major fundraiser for the library, and profits are used to purchase new books for the library. This year we will use the funds to fill out our informational text section with more current titles. We have again partnered with local bookseller Storybook Cove in Hanover ([www.storybookcove.com](http://www.storybookcove.com)) to provide an outstanding selection of titles for K-12 students. The collection is available for browsing on both days, and the list is available online at their website. Teachers have signed up to bring their classes to the fair to develop their 'wish lists', and students will bring home the list of books plus an order form for purchases. **Checks should be made out to SSCPS.** \*\* "Holiday Holds": If you would like to order books as holiday presents, mark those titles on your order form with an 'H'. Those books will be delivered separately from the rest of your order. **The order forms are due Tuesday November 14<sup>th</sup>, and the books will be delivered to your child before the holidays.** Questions? Please email them to [librarian@sscps.org](mailto:librarian@sscps.org).

### WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP!!

**SSCPS has been chosen by Rockland – Hanson Rotary to be the recipient of their annual raffle fundraiser.**

We are looking for charter families to:

- Either work on your own to sell Raffle tickets. They are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. First prize is a **Disney Trip for 4** incl. hotel/airfare/park passes or a trip to **Napa Valley for 2** incl. air/hotel/car rental or **\$2000 cash**:  
Or
- We are in need of volunteers to donate time for shifts, adults must be present. So far these locations are available:

Please contact Denise Demaggio [ddemaggio@sscps.org](mailto:ddemaggio@sscps.org) or 781-982-4202 X 207 to obtain tickets or Jessica Lussier [jessicalussier5@gmail.com](mailto:jessicalussier5@gmail.com) to arrange dates and locations of stores in your area.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PROJECTS & WORKSHOPS!

**Political Action Workshop:** This year in the Political Action workshop students will be producing magazines that deal with a variety of topics. The fall issue of Word magazine will focus on topics surrounding teen pregnancy and teen sexuality. The articles range from teen pregnancy to double standards about acceptable behavior from men and women. The articles were written by Charter teens that either researched or held interviews. The goal of the Political Action workshop is to bring awareness of issues that affect people in some form. This is a great magazine not only for students but for parents. The first should be coming out before the end of November.

## ATHLETICS

The following article was written and submitted by SSCPS Parent Ken Ferguson

### ***Jaguars! Well Done!!***

*Our middle school soccer team, the Jaguars, have just completed what may be their most successful season ever! (Anyone have stats from previous years?).*

*Showing outstanding improvement over last year, the Jags' managed to win every regular season co-ed game, with the exception of the two exhibition games with Plymouth's Rising Tide, where our team was at a disadvantage by being split into boys and girls, in order to face off against Plymouth's separately established boys and girls teams.*

*In this writer's opinion, their best performance was during the game at Abington where they faced off against Lynn's Kipp Academy. This was a tough team that was called on more than once by the referee for excessively rough tactics. In spite of that, the Jaguars refused to be intimidated and forced the other team to play their game -- their way. In the end they were able to take a hard fought victory over Lynn.*

*Having therefore been technically undefeated in all regular co-ed games, they competed in a play-off game on November 2, against Exel Academy, (another undefeated team), to determine final championship status.*

*Unfortunately, the Jaguars did not prevail in this game, and although understandably disappointed, they certainly deserve to hold their heads high in light of this season's performance, and the stunning year over year improvement they achieved.*

*A big thanks to Level Two teacher Donovan Fauvelle for stepping up to coach this year's team, and for the time and effort he spent in all the practices and games, guiding the Jaguars through such a successful season. Also, thanks go out to Deb Shepherd for her kind assistance to the team -- and especially for her thoughtfulness in providing the kids with those snacks for that long trek back from Framingham last week! Thanks Debbie, that was very sweet of you!*

*As a parent, I have often heard that SSCPS is a great school, but not if you are interested in your children participating in sports. I think the Jaguars season demonstrates that with the right guidance and a little bit of effort, there is no need to have diminished expectations about any endeavor our school, and especially our kids decide to work towards.*

*Go Jaguars!! See you next year!*

## **ON THE LEVELS**

### **SAYING OF THE WEEK:**

Level 1: "Great oaks from little acorns grow."

Level 2: "Once in a blue moon."

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

We had a very successful fall clean at SSCPS this past Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all the families that came to help out. It certainly was a school community building experience. Our students take such pride in their school. Watching them this past Saturday working together outside was a testimonial to this. Thank you to the following families: Archibald, Burke, Chambers, Hill, Hollowed, Juste, Mahegan, Marchese, Mattuchio, Mullen, Nelson, Pettinelli, Perachi, Poggenburg, Sibbald, Toma, Walsh, Yazbeck A total of 45 adults and children participated in this school event

There is now a list of organizations on the school web site under Community Service that you can use as a resource to find volunteer opportunities. This list will be updated through the year.

If you know of an event that is coming up in the near future please email Beth Toma at [JToma85103@aol.com](mailto:JToma85103@aol.com)

### **Miscellaneous Community Service Ideas**

**Make-A-Wish Foundation:** Since 1980, the Make-A-Wish Foundation has enriched the lives of children with life-threatening medical conditions through its wish-granting work. The Foundation's mission reflects the life-changing impact that a Make-A-Wish experience has on children, families, referral sources, donors and sponsors and entire committees. To find out how you can help contact this organization at [http://wish.org/about/our\\_mission](http://wish.org/about/our_mission)

**New England Wildlife Foundation:** One of the Center's education programs is its volunteer program. Volunteering at the Center is all about learning. It is also about doing something for the community, especially the community of wild animals that live in and among our neighborhoods. There is no age limit to volunteering. Anyone can come to the Center and participate in caring for animals and helping the Center provide for its own unique community. Volunteers work on special events like our "Night of a Thousand Faces" Halloween event. Volunteers also conduct tours, raise money, walk the llama and goat, clean, feed and exercise reptiles, conduct birthday parties, and assist in the exams of animals for the Odd Pet Vet. Volunteers work along side wildlife biologists, veterinarians, interns, and other volunteers. The Center embraces and encourages mentor style hands-on apprentice-type education and work. [www.wildlife-education-center.com/volunteering/](http://www.wildlife-education-center.com/volunteering/)

**Friends of the Blue Hills:** There is a variety of volunteer opportunities at the Blue Hills:

**Trail Maintenance** Help increase the biodiversity of the Blue Hills by helping to control invasive species. Whether you want to help weed for a day, help track invasive species for a season or have fun with your family for an afternoon, you'll find something in the new BioWatch Program.

**Adopt-a-Trail:** It's not just for highways and traffic islands. Contact us and choose a trail (or section of trail), or ask for a suggestion. We'll provide training - and furnish you with a tip sheet and report form. Adoption commitments are for one year. Just let us know via snail mail or e-mail each time you work on the trail, if you need help, and the state of the trail before and afterwards. For more information ---**Call 781-828-1805 or email: [info@FriendsoftheBlueHills.org](mailto:info@FriendsoftheBlueHills.org)**

**Trail work Days with Friends of Blue Hills Get Out, Get Dirty Email:** For directions and details [trailwork@FriendsOfTheBlueHills.org](mailto:trailwork@FriendsOfTheBlueHills.org) Join Friends of the Blue Hills on trail work in the Blue Hills Reservation. Pre-registration is not required. Trail work from 9am- 1pm.Saturday, November 12 and Saturday, December 10

**Kids Care Meal Packaging -Friday, November 11, 2011 The Sanctuary** 185 Plain Street Marshfield (located above Pudding Hill Preschool) Volunteer for an hour and participate in the largest kids care meal packaging in New England; 50,000 to help local food banks. Go online to sign-up for a time slot between 3 pm and 9 pm, [www.SanctuaryMarshfield.org](http://www.SanctuaryMarshfield.org)

**Teen Life (for grades 9-12)** is a wonderful resource for high school students to research what is available for volunteering. The benefits of helping others or working with a worthy cause can be one of the most rewarding experiences of your lifetime. Volunteering helps you develop a heart for giving. Discover the wider world around you. Foster meaningful relationships. And even build your resume. Teen Life showcases a countless number of non-profits who specifically work with teens. So, search this web site to find the organization and service work that best interests you. Join Teen Life web site and you will receive updates to let you know any new information that becomes available. Go to their web site [www.teenlife.com](http://www.teenlife.com) and sign up today.

**The Scituate Council on Aging** is looking for volunteers to help set up and break down tables for our upcoming Holiday Craft Fair. Help is needed on Monday, November 14th after 4PM and Tuesday, November 15th after 3PM. Please call Florence Choate at 781-545-8722.

## ARTS AND MUSIC

Hello SSCPS, I am happy to announce that in January of 2012, we have the opportunity to launch an after school music instruction program at SSCPS! Geoff Roman, one of our music teachers, an accomplished musician and instructor, has agreed to offer both group and individual lessons to our students at incredibly affordable rates. He is also able to arrange for instrument rental! In order for us to launch this program in the most effective way possible, we need to know who is interested in lessons and in what capacity. Here are the options...

1. **Group 45 minute lesson** in violin, viola, or cello.

- \$18 per week for a 17 week period = \$306

- Instrument rental approximately \$10 per month

- Maximum of 12 students per group

- 3rd graders and above

2. **Individual 30 minute lesson** in violin, viola, cello, or guitar.

- \$30 per week for a 17 week period = \$510

- Instrument rental approximately \$10 per month

- Students in all grades are welcome

**Lessons will be offered on a first come, first serve basis. But we want to accomodate as many children as possible, so please let me know if you are interested.** This is such an amazing opportunity. My daughters, 6 and 8 years old, have been studying violin for the past year, and they absolutely love it! Call me at 781-534-5698 or email me at [heatherdans@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherdans@yahoo.com) if you have questions.

*Thanks! Heather Dans Arts & Music Chair*

On December 17th at 4pm, we can get the best discount for "A Christmas Carol." It is a 2 hour show and tickets are normally \$34 but we can get them for \$26. They are holding 30 seats for us right now but will release 2 weeks before the show. We can then all drive over to Sal's Pizza for a nice dinner!

**A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

**November 25 - December 18, 2011**

On Christmas Eve, three spirits visit the miserly Scrooge and whisk him away on a journey through memories of his childhood and glimpses of his future. In one haunted evening, Scrooge sees the error of his ways and repents just in time for a glorious Christmas morning. This timeless Charles Dickens' classic has become a South Shore tradition, with its charming storybook sets, ghostly special effects and joyous holiday music.

**WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.SSCPS.ORG](http://WWW.SSCPS.ORG)  
EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103  
OR EMAIL [PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG](mailto:PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG)**

**ENJOY A DELICIOUS MEAL  
AND GIVE TO A GREAT CAUSE**

Bertucci's of Hingham

Thursday, November 10th, 2011  
11:00 AM - 10:00 PM

When you present this flyer 15% of what you spend will be given  
to the South Shore Public Charter School.  
Dine In, Carry Out or Delivery.

**ITALIAN**  
**Bertucci's**  
**RESTAURANT**

90 Derby Street  
Hingham, MA 0204  
p: 781.740.4405



Lunch Order Form  
 Lunch for the Month of November, 2011  
**Due to the office by 3:00 pm, \*Tuesday, November 15, 2011**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pod Teacher/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

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

Week of  Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  
 11/21 – 11/25

Week of  Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  
 11/28 – 12/2 #\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Meals ordered	_____	X	\$3.75
Number of Slices of Pizza ordered	_____	X	\$1.75
Number of Hamburgers/Veggie ordered	_____	X	\$3.75
<i>Less credit due</i>			_____
<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

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.*



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**BREAKFAST**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7 Apple Jacks Whales Juice Milk	8 Golden Grahams Lemon Grahams Juice Milk	9 Yogurt Blueberry Grahams Juice Milk	10 Frosted Mini Wheats Whales Juice Milk	11 <b>No School</b>
14 Cheerios Apple Grahams Juice Milk	15 Whole Wheat Cinnamon Roll Juice Milk	16 2 oz Raisin bran Juice Milk	17 Yogurt Fruit Parfait Juice Milk	18 Whole Grain Banana Muffin Juice Milk
21 Corn flakes Apple Grahams Juice Milk	22 Apple Jacks Whales Juice Milk	23 Yogurt Clodhoppers Juice Milk	24 <b>No School</b>	25 <b>No School</b>
28 Cheerios Whales Juice Milk	29 Corn muffin Juice Milk	30 Golden Grahams Lemon Grahams Juice Milk	12/1 Cinnamon Raisin Bagel Jelly Juice Milk	12/2 Yogurt Granola Bar 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!**





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**November 2011**  
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**LUNCH**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
7 Chicken Parmesan and Ziti Green Beans Applesauce Milk	8 Cheese Ravioli Peas Fruit Roll Milk	9 Jamaican Beef patty Mashed potato Carrots Milk	10 <b>No Lunch</b> Early Release	11 <b>No School</b>  Veterans Day
14 Chicken Caesar Salad Wrap Carrots and celery Fruit Milk	15 Turkey and Gravy Mashed potato Carrots Roll Milk	16 Stuffed Shells Baked apple slices California Medley Milk	17 Sweet and Sour Chicken Stir Fry Veggies Rice Fruit Milk	18  BGood
21 Italian Hot Pocket Mixed Vegetable Fruit Milk	22 BBQ Chicken Mashed potato Roll Peas Milk	23 <b>No Lunch</b>  Early Release	24 <b>No School</b>  Thanksgiving	25 <b>No School</b>
28 Herbed Baked Chicken Stuffing Carrots Scalloped Potato Milk	29 French Toast sticks Hash Browns Baked sliced Apples Sausages Milk	30 Steak and Cheese Sub Fries Green Beans Milk	12/1 Chicken Nuggets Potato wedges Peas Roll Milk	12/2  Pizza

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