



The 2012-2013 SSCPS School Directory has arrived! Check backpacks this week for your copy. Please note one directory per family.

Thursday	10/25	Level III Wheelock Family Theatre	
Thursday	10/25	Literacy Night for grades K-4	6:00-7:00pm
Friday	10/26	High School Graphic Workshop to Smith Print	
Fri & Sat	10/26 & 27	High School Debate Team Manchester	
Monday	10/29	Members of Music Workshop to Allston Studio	
Thursday	11/01	Members of Music Workshop to Allston Studio	
Thursday	11/01	Cross Country Team Dinner at the SSCPS Gym	5:00-7:00pm
Thursday	11/01	MEFA Night for Senior Class families	6:00pm
Save the date! Friday	11/09	Picture Retake Day	

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The first quarter of the 2012 - 2013 school year is rapidly coming to an end. Grades close Thursday, November 1st and will be distributed on Friday, November 9th. For this school year we have made the transition to issuing quarterly reports for all students K-12. This is a shift away from the trimester schedule that K-6 has traditionally followed. Moving to quarters for all students allows for more frequent reporting to K-6 parents and further unifies us as a K-12 school. We are glad to all be working on the same calendar.

At the secondary level, first quarter grades provide an opportunity to gauge progress for students and teachers and a chance to make any changes necessary to help students excel for the remainder of the school year. Adjustments to the 7-12 schedule have provided us with additional time to offer support and enrichment for students. Following the lead from the pilot on Levels II and III last year, students in grades 7-12 now have a 45 minute Focused Instructional Time (FIT) block built into the morning Monday through Thursday. Teachers are scheduled to support students in a variety of ways during this time. We've created sections to allow teachers to give extra help to Advanced Placement students, work with struggling students in small groups, provide enrichment, and make themselves available during study periods so that students can access teacher assistance during the school day. So far we have found FIT to be extremely valuable.

We assigned students to FIT blocks back in August based on our previous knowledge of the students. Now at the end of the first quarter we have a great deal of data to help us tailor student schedules to their needs so that we can make the best use of the FIT time. Based on MCAS data, formative assessments, class performance, and student requests we are widening our offerings for the second term and making changes to the FIT schedules of many students. New FIT sections will begin on Monday, November 5th.

Aside from the grades that students will bring home on November 9th, detailed information regarding student performance is available on Edline for grades 5-12. These reports show student performance on specific assignments and subtotals for different categories as well as additional comments. By posting

these reports on Edline rather than printing them we are able to save a great deal of paper as well as faculty time. If you do not have your Edline access information, or if you need hard copies of the reports, please let me know. While it is possible to log on to Edline using your child's login and password, we have an additional account set up for each family. I'd be happy to provide you with the information you need to activate that account. As always, if questions come up once the reports come home, do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teachers.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE: SSCPS ZUMBATHON and Movie Night will be held on Friday, November 30th from 6:30-8:30 pm, right here on campus. Details to come! All proceeds from the Zumbathon will benefit the Foot the Floor Special Gymnasium Campaign.

Show your school spirit! South Shore Charter Public School backpacks are now available in the Development Office for \$15. All proceeds from the sales of these multi-pocket backpacks will support the Foot the Floor Special Gymnasium Campaign. We have a limited quantity, so get them while supplies last! For more details contact Joanna McCarthy, Director of Development at jmccarthy@sscps.org or 781.982.4202 x109.



Water Jugs Needed!

The Art Department is looking for empty gallon size water jugs for an upcoming project. Please drop them off in the Art Room. Thank you!

ATHLETICS

This is the first year for high school girls soccer at SSCPS, with a team comprised of many players unfamiliar with the sport. As the season has progressed, so has the team and they are finishing their season strong, with two wins and two ties in the last five games. Individual skills are progressing and the team is playing their best soccer of the season.

Come support your Jaguar girls as they finish up their season on Saturday, October 27th at 10:00am at Southfield in Weymouth.

The boys' soccer team continues their undefeated streak, as they defeated Salem Academy by a score of 4-2 on Saturday, October 20th. Once again, the Jaguars were led by Chad Bruce who continues to light up the net with three goals. The boys have not lost in their last six games and look to continue their streak into the final week of the season. Their current record is 4-5-2. They have three games left and currently sit two places out from the playoffs, but with a winning week they could sneak in. To see the league standings of the boys and girls soccer team go to www.mcsao.org.

The Middle School soccer team stayed undefeated with their win over Boston Prep Tuesday evening by a score of 3-2. Kevin Whittemore led the Jaguars with two goals and Dorothy Tilden added the third goal. The team improved to 4-0 and looks to complete an undefeated regular season as they play McAuliffe Charter tonight.

The High School Cross Country Season comes to an end on October 30th as they will compete in the Charter League Championships at Elms Bank Conservation in Wellesley. Good luck to the team as the culmination of their hard work will be showcased on Tuesday.

Upcoming Dates

10/24 4:00pm HS Boys Soccer @ Boston Collegiate Charter, Pope John Paul Park, Dorchester 10/24 4:30pm Middle School Soccer @ McAuliffe Charter, Brophy School, Framingham 10/27 10am HS Girls Soccer vs. Boston Prep, Southfield, South Weymouth 10/27 11:30am HS Boys vs. Boston Prep, Southfield, South Weymouth 10/29 3:00pm HS Boys vs. Codman Academy, Southfield, South Weymouth 10/30 4:00pm HS Championship Cross country Meet, Elms Bank Conservation, Wellesley **SKI CLUB** – Students grades 7-12 interested may pick up a flyer at the front desk or email <u>palgera@sscps.org</u> no later than Monday, October 29^{th} for information.

HEALTH OFFICE

Kindergarten screenings which include height, weight, vision, and hearing screening will be starting this week. Parents/ guardians will be notified by letter if your child does not pass the vision or hearing screening. Please contact the health office if you have questions or concerns.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library Committee is hosting the annual *Fall Book Fair* on Monday November 5th and the morning of Tuesday November 6th to coincide with Grandparents/Special Friends Day. This event is a major fundraiser for the library, and profits are used to purchase new books for the library.

We have again partnered with local independent bookseller Janet Bibeau from StorybookCove, which is conveniently located in the nearby Merchants Mall (2053 Washington St.) in Hanover. Janet has been providing us with an outstanding selection of titles for our K-12 students. The collection is available for browsing on both days, and the list is available online at their website (<u>www.storybookcove.com</u>). Teachers have signed up to bring their students to the fair to develop their 'wish lists'. Students will then bring home the booklet with the list of books plus an order form for making purchases. **Checks should be made out to SSCPS.**

****** New this year: Can't decide on a book? Families can now purchase gift certificates to Storybook Cove to be refunded directly at the store.

** 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 <u>Friday November 9th</u>, and the books will be delivered to your child by November 16th before Thanksgiving.

Questions? Please email them to <u>librarian@sscps.org</u>.

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE



We now have nearly 10 families who have come forward to support the Foot the Floor Special Campaign. We welcome support for the gym floor at any level and plaque dedications start at \$100. Get creative! Maybe you are an alum and would like an inscription in honor of your class year...or maybe there was a special teacher you

and others would like to get together to honor. Please contact Joanna McCarthy, Director of Development for further details at jmccarthy@sscps.org/781.982.4202 x109.

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE

It is so great when the Community Service Committee is notified from other SSCPS families of community service opportunities. During the last week we received the following community service projects that we would like to share with all of you.

From the Childs Family The US Army battalion 181 of Abington, MA is currently serving in Afghanistan. A harsh winter is quickly approaching, and they are short on twin/full blankets, standard pillows and cases, and long johns (any size). Please donate items in the box in the front lobby of SSCPS. The Childs family is collecting these items for a shipment this Saturday, 10/27, and the following Saturday, 11/3. Please call Lori Childs with further questions at 781.878.5251. Thanks so much, SSCPS family!

From Alexis Levitt – Red Cross Blood Drive There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, October 28th from 10a - 3p at Temple Beth Am 871 North Main Street, Randolph. Students must be at least 16 year olds need a signed parental consent form. Students 17+ do not need a signed consent. You must weigh at least 110 lbs.

Note: Girls under 5'6" and boys under 5" <u>may need to weigh more</u> than 110 lbs. - the nurse at the blood drive will let you know. For the parental consent form and to learn what to expect at the blood drive, visit: <u>http://www.redcrossblood.org/students</u>.

New England Wild Life Center- Pumpkin Walk, Weymouth- Friday & Saturday October 26 & 27 Pumpkin carvers needed Wed, 10/24, Thurs. 10/25 10 am to 7 pm and Friday 10/26 10 am to 3 pm. Call 781-682-4878 for more information.

This year we would like to know what all of our students are doing so we can come up with a list to share with the rest of our school community through the school year. Also to share community service events in your community. Please email Beth Toma at <u>JToma85103@aol.com</u> with this information.

Help Me Help Animals... One Can = One Meal! Fourth grader, Savannah Aylward, Krista's pod, has decided to help the animals of the Kingston Animal Shelter. She is collecting cat and dog food, treats, toys and paper towels. A collection box has been set up in the Level II great room. Savannah will collect items for the month of October. Please consider sending a donation to support her community service project.

WEEKLY UPDATES ARE EMAILED AND POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AT <u>WWW.SSCPS.ORG</u> EVERY WEDNESDAY – TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY PLEASE CONTACT PAM ALGERA EXT. 103 OR EMAIL <u>PALGERA@SSCPS.ORG</u>

COMMUNITY INTEREST



Registration closes November 13. Register Online: Fax 617.745.4151 or Mail Camp Fire USA: Eastern Massachusetes Council; 1419 Hancock 55 Suite 201; Quincy, MA 02169 Questiont: call Rebecc. Skerry 617.744.5151 ext. 160

www.campfireusa-emass.org



Money for You -

Candy for the Troops!

Dr. Richard Zuppardi and Dr. Shahram Moghaddam are putting their money where there mouth is. Why? Because they know the damaging effect of too much candy on children's teeth. So this Halloween they hope kids in the Weymouth area will pick out their favorite snacks and turn the rest of the candy in for a nice cash prize. All of the candy collected will be shipped to our troops overseas.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

•The first Monday after Halloween, November 5th, bring your child/children with the **unopened** candy you want to donate to the office of Weymouth Smiles Dental at 536 Broad Street, E. Weymouth between the hours of 4pm and 7pm.

•We will weigh the candy and pay your child a dollar per pound of candy. 51b per child maximum.

•Your child will receive a free toothbrush and the opportunity to make a card for our troops overseas.

•The candy will be shipped to our troops overseas.

•If you have any questions, or for directions call 781-331-2442 or visit our website at www.drzuppardi.com

Breakfast Order Form Breakfast for the Month of November, 2012 Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

Please <u>CHECK</u> off the day breakfast will be ordered.

Week of 11/5 – 11/9	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[X] Friday
Week of 11/12 – 11/16	[X] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 11/19 – 11/23	L J 🧳	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 11/26 – 11/30		[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday

Number of Breakfasts ordered	 Х	\$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 November, 2012 Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, October 30, 2012

Student Name

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

Please <u>CHECK</u> off the day lunch will be ordered.

Week of 11/5 – 11/9	[] Monday	[X] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 11/12 – 11/16	•	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday
Week of 11/19 – 11/23	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[X] Wednesday	[X] Thursday	[X] Friday
Week of 11/26 – 11/30	[] Monday	[] Tuesday	[] Wednesday	[] Thursday	[] Friday

Number of Meals ordered	 Х	\$3.00
Less credit due		
Total Amount Enclosed		\$
Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.		

Choice of 1% milk or skim milk is included with the purchase of a meal or can be purchased separately for 30 cents.

Please note: If your child has forgotten lunch, a cheese sandwich will be provided at the cost of \$2.50. A note from the office will go home that afternoon for reimbursement.



South Shore Charter School

November, 2012

Catered by Essence of Thyme

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Krispy Rice Graham Crackers Orange Juice Milk	6 Yogurt WW Lemon Dinosaur Grahams Orange Juice Milk	7 Honey Wheat Bagel w/Jelly Fruit Cocktail Milk	8 Raisin Bran WW Apple Cinnamon Waffle Grahams Orange Juice Milk	9 Cornflakes Graham Crackers Orange Juice Milk
¹² NO SCHOOL	13 Toasty O's WW Apple Cinnamon Waffle Grahams Orange Juice Milk	14 Breakfast Sandwich Orange Juice Milk	15 Yogurt WW Apple Cinnamon Waffle Grahams Orange Juice Milk	16 Corn Flakes WW Blueberry Waffle Grahams Orange Juice Milk
19 3.6 oz. WW Banana Muffin Orange Juice Milk	20 Yogurt WW Lemon Dinosaur Grahams Orange Juice Milk	21 Cinnamon Raisin Bagel Orange Juice Milk	22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	²³ NO SCHOOL
26 Whole Grain Cinnamon Roll Orange Juice Milk	27 3.6 oz. WW Apple Muffin Orange Juice Milk	28 Honey Wheat Bagel w/Jelly Fruit Cocktail Milk	29 Breakfast Sandwich Orange Juice Milk	30 3.6 oz. WW Blueberry Muffin Orange Juice Milk

* All Meals include 8 ounce Milk. Choice of 1% or Skim.

Regulations

Breakfast

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

* Complies with NSLP



LUNCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 BBQ Chicken on a Bun Potato Puffs w/Ketchup Tangerine Milk	6 EARLY RELEASE	7 Beef & Bean WW Burrito Brown Rice Cauliflower Pineapple Chunks Milk	8 Chicken Quesadilla Spanish Rice Squash Tangerine Milk	9 American Chop Suey Green Beans Whole Wheat Roll Apple Milk
12 NO SCHOOL	13 Macaroni & Cheese Broccoli Peaches Milk	14 Hamburger on WW Bun Sweet Potato Fries w/Ketchup Baked Apple Slices Milk	15 Crunchy Asian Salad Cucumber Pineapple Chunks Milk	16 Mexican Chicken WW Wrap Brown Rice Southwestern Beans Tangerines Milk
19 Chicken Alfred w/Ziti Broccoli Orange and Applesauce WW Blueberry Waffle Grahams Milk	20 Meatballs on WW Sub Baked Sweet Potato Tangerine Milk	21 EARLY RELEASE	22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	23 NO SCHOOL
26 Chicken Alfred w/Ziti Broccoli Applesauce Whole Wheat Roll Milk	27 Turkey and Gravy Sweet Potato Peaches Whole Wheat Roll Milk	28 Chicken Caesar Salad WW Wrap Tomatoes Cucumber Pears Milk	29 Cheese Pizza w/Veggies Italian Beans Apple Milk	30 Ziti & Meatballs Corn WW Lemon Dinosaur Grahams Grapes Milk

*All Meals include 8 ounce Milk - Choice of 1% or Skim

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