



Thursday	11/08	High School Music Workshop to Allston	
Thursday	11/08	School Council	3:45pm
Thursday	11/08	Math Night	6:00-7:00pm
Friday	11/09	SEPAC – Panera Bread Hanover	8:30am
Friday	11/09	Picture Retake Day – return your photos for a retake	
Friday	11/09	K-12 First Quarter grades distributed	
Saturday	11/10	SSCPS PA Holiday Craft Fair – details below	9:00am-3:00pm
Monday	11/12	No School – Veteran’s Day Observed	
Tuesday	11/13	Parents Association	7:00pm
Wednesday	11/14	Art Workshop to Boston	
Wednesday	11/14	8th Grade Parent Night	6:00-7:00pm
Friday	11/16	Auction Committee Meeting	8:30am

PRINCIPALS REPORT

I am writing this Update on Tuesday, November 6. Tuesday was not only Election Day but also Grandparents and Friends Day here at SSCPS. It was a wonderful day here at school. We had over 125 grandparents and friends and many, many happy children. I would like to thank all of the K - 6 teachers for welcoming and preparing for the visitors. I know that the teachers made children and adults feel welcomed and a part of our school. Spearheading our event was Denise Demaggio, who seamlessly coordinated the event. She made this day great with the help of Pam Algera, Joanna McCarthy, Dee Delaney, Kathy Sobol, Alicia Savage, Jo Feldman, Paul Norkus, and Mark Flanagan. High School students who were tour guides and school ambassadors were Devon Hearn, Adam Thermitus, Tevin Francois, Melanie Sullivan, Edina Lemkin, and Jessica Guerrier. Parents who volunteered and made this special event more special were Priscilla Kelly, Iris Mahegan, Kathy McDonald, Theona Royer and all of the folks who brought in the spectacular food. The food as well as the amazing energy of the school was the talk of the visitors. Stephanie Olsen took beautiful formal portraits of the students and their friends that will be permanent reminders of a great day. We are also indebted to Jo Loughnane and Cheryl Peterson who have been instrumental in creating and continuing this event now in its fifth year.

There are three details of Grandparents Day I saw today that I want to share with you. The first is about one of our high school students, junior Jessica Guerrier. Jessica brought a grandmother and her grandson to my office to introduce her to me. The grandmother did not speak English and Jessica translated for us and the grandmother asked me how her grandson was doing. I gave a detailed answer and told her what a good and kind boy her grandson was. Jessica translated my complex answer and the grandmother listened. I later saw Jessica and thanked her. She told me that she had translated for three other non-native English speakers and how wonderful she felt to have been such an important part of their experience. Jessica was

told by one of the grandparents that she would have great success in life – she just needed to continue to have her beautifully positive attitude. I agree; we are truly fortunate to have skilled and talented positive students like Jessica; it is great to be a K – 12 school.

The second episode is about a teacher and her class. In June Fontaine's first and second grade pod the students had prepared questions for grandparents. I was visiting the class at the end of the day. June was complimenting the ten or so students who had not gone home with grandparents, for pitching in and doing the end of the day chores of the students who left early. She then asked them if they would ask me the questions that they had composed for the visitors. Here are the questions:

Do you remember the name of your first or second grade teacher?
Did you have the same teacher for first and second grades?
Did you ever live in another country?
What was your favorite subject in school?
Are you still friends with anyone in your first or second grade class?
Were you afraid when you started school?
Who was the president then?

What an insightful set of questions! No wonder all of the folks who stopped to talk to me heaped praise on our school, its teachers and students. I agree with them - we are blessed with amazing teachers who nurture our students to do important work.

The final impression from Grandparents Day I want to leave you with is the words of a second grader. She said, "This was the best day of my entire life!!!" Thanks Denise for making this happen and Stephanie for capturing images that will be a reminder of this wonderful day.

Ted Hirsch thirsch@sscps.org

PS Please do not forget to attend Math Night this Thursday from 6:00 – 7:00. Math Night is a night for families of K – 6th Grade students and is a chance to learn more about how we teach math and how you can help your child.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SSCPS PA Holiday Craft Fair this Saturday, November 10th from 9am to 3pm at the Trinity Episcopal Church on Goddard Avenue in Rockland.

There will be lots of unique gifts including jewelry, beeswax candles, hand-bags, hair accessories, ornaments, decorative slates and much more! We have student crafter Emily Tan being featured as well as many parent crafters. There will be bake sale and raffle items too! Admission is FREE! Contact Gwen Watchorn at gswatchorn@gmail.com for more details.

Calling all bakers!!! We are looking for families to bake for the bake sale. This is also a great opportunity for students to receive community service hours. If you can donate freshly made baked goods, including pies, cakes, breads, cookies, family favorites, etc, the SSCPS PA would greatly appreciate it.

The proceeds of the bake sale will directly benefit your child(ren). In the past, the PA, has funded such items as Smart Boards, recess equipment, healthy snacks and many other wonderful items.

Please let me know if you are planning to bake for our wonderful bake sale. If you could please wrap each item individually, I would appreciate it. Items can be dropped off at SSCPS on Friday, November 9 during the day or Saturday morning, November 10 at Trinity Church, 3 Goddard Avenue, Rockland. Please respond directly to me at klb.rjc@verizon.net if you are donating items.

Thank you. Karen Boyle

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.

Level III News!

In Science, 5th Graders are focusing on how soil forms and the process of decomposition. They will be making TerrAqua Columns in class over the next several weeks to further investigate decomposition. We are asking for donations of empty, plastic, capped 2-liter bottles, which can be delivered to Mac's room before or after school. (They're the kind that seltzer and soda come in.) Thank you in advance.

ATHLETICS

The high school girls' soccer team completed their first season with a final 2-0 win over Boston Prep. The girls wrapped up with a record of 3-5-2, only losing one of their last five games. It was a season comprised of learning the sport, working hard and having fun. The girls played every game with heart and respect for their school. To say it was a successful first season for girls high school soccer would be an understatement and I am already looking forward to continuing the growth and fun next season!

The high school boys soccer team's successful season came to an end on Saturday. The boys lost to Boston Collegiate by a score of 2-1 in the first round of the playoffs. The team played hard, but came up short. The solo goal was scored off Brendan Ford's head. Despite the loss, the team had a great year. They started 0-5, but came together as a team to finish the season with a 6-5-3 record which qualified them for the playoffs. Throughout the season, the team was led by the consistent and outstanding play from the captains Pat Sullivan, Garvin Benoit, Brendan Ford, and Chad Bruce. Each player exemplified what it is to be a leader by modeling hard work, dedication, and always encouraged teammates to do better. This year's team has set a standard for SSCPS soccer, which will continue into next season.

Good luck to the middle school soccer team who will be competing in their league playoffs this Sunday at 1pm, at Merchant Field in Framingham.

On Friday November 16, there will be an athletic awards ceremony held in the PE space after school at 3:30. All fall athletic teams will come together to celebrate a great fall athletic season at SSCPS.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PROJECTS AND WORKSHOPS?

Level IV Healthy You Project Update

To begin the year in the Healthy You project, the students took a few field trips. The first was to Sawchuck Farm in Pembroke, where they navigated their way through a corn maze and picked their own pumpkins. The students later carved pumpkins and tried baked pumpkin seeds as a healthy snack alternative. The last field trip the Healthy You project took was to Wompatuck State Park where they went hiking. In addition to the field trips, the students have learned about nutrition, the importance of healthy eating and have participated in fitness classes run by their peers. Going into the second quarter, the Healthy You project will begin a food drive and plan to volunteer their time to the Greater Boston Food Pantry.

ART NEWS

Original Works Time Again!!!! Your children will be arriving home this week with a piece of their original art, a flyer, price list and order form. If you are interested in having their artwork reproduced you may simply fill out the order form (send back both copies of the form), enclose a check for the amount and return those with the art work **by Tues., Nov., 13** to their Pod teacher.

This yearly opportunity is coordinated by the Art Department and the HS Art Workshop students. The students use this as their fund raiser to supplement their workshop. As you may have remembered from last year. one of our HS students, Grace Moore, was awarded a National Art Award, thus moving our school and program to be national recognized in visual arts.

Orders will be returned to the school before our scheduled December break. In the past parents and friends have ordered these pieces for Christmas, birthday and special occasion gifts for others.

The art work will be returned with the order. If you are not interested in ordering anything please keep your child's great original art!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at (781) 982-4202, x304.

Marianne Buckley Curran, Art Department

LIBRARY NEWS

Students, teachers, parents, grandparents and 'special friends' all enjoyed the annual Book Fair hosted by Storybook Cove (www.storybookcove.com) in Merchants Row in Hanover! There were many new books as well as old favorites to browse, and students will be bringing home both the browsing booklet AND their order form to place their orders.

If you would like to read more about a book your child has selected, you can go to www.storybookcove.com and click on the "Book Fair" link. Under SSCPS, there is review of the books.

Just a few tips about ordering:

1. All orders and money are due this Friday November 9th. Checks can be made out to SSCPS, and there is no tax due to our tax exempt status.
2. Gift certificates in any amount are available. Just fill out the order form accordingly with the amount and we will get the certificate to you.
3. Want to keep the books a secret? Mark your holiday order with a big "H" and we will hold the order at the front desk instead of giving to your child.
4. The new Diary of a Wimpy Kid series book, Third Wheel by Jeff Kinney is being released to the public on Tuesday Nov. 13th. Our bookseller will be delivering this book to us on the 13th so that your child receives in on the first day, too! It is #50 in the booklet.
5. The bookseller can also get us any book in a series. For example, if your child wanted another book in the Maximum Ride series besides the ones listed in the booklet, we can get them for you. Just list them on the booklet and email Bev Bruce at bbruce@sscps.org to get the price.
6. Books other than the Diary of Wimpy Kid will be delivered on Friday November 16th.
7. Please send all four parts of the order booklet back with your payment, and we will be returning the receipt to you.

Thanks to all of the parent volunteers who manned the tables and helped our students discover a "just right" book: Beth Farmer, Sue Duchaney, Kathy Tan, Kathy McDonald, Susie Guthro, Kerry Benjamin, Caitriona Hallowed, Iris V. Mahegan, Lisa Bumbalo, and Theona Royer!

Sincerely, the Library Committee

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Parent Connection of Duxbury is having some wonderful upcoming programs that might interest some of the SSCPS families. An upcoming program is 10 Things Parents Don't Know About Drugs and Alcohol: A Panel Discussion on November 13th.

Check out their website at <http://www.theparentconnection.org/index.html> for additional details and other programs that they offer.

Karen Boyle, Health and Safety

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 information that we would like to share with all of you. Please help support these families with their community service projects.

From the McGuiness Family "GEAR UP FOR WINTER!!"

In the cold winter months, children living in homeless and low-income situations face a new set of challenges. For families already stretching budgets to pay for rent, heat, and groceries, providing a warm winter coat and other winter essentials is often not an option. Kevin and Madison McGuiness volunteer monthly at the Cradles to Crayons Giving Factory and are running a winter clothing drive at SSCPS. There will be a collection box in the front lobby where you can leave new or gently-used winter essentials (coats, gloves, boots, etc). Thank you helping more than 17,000 children in Massachusetts have a warm and safe winter.

Gently Used and New Children's Book Collection – From Shannon Daly

Shannon Daly in Donovan's Level III class room is collecting "slightly used" books for children, ages 2 to 14, whose parents are students at the Adult Learning Center in Brockton. Each year all the adult learners and their children are invited to come and choose books that they can take home and create an at-home library. The Learning Center relies on donations from community members to make this give-away possible. The collection box is located outside of Donovan's Room in Level III, and any donations would be greatly appreciated!

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 and to share community service events in your community. Please email Beth Toma at JToma85103@aol.com with this information.

**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**

Breakfast Order Form
Breakfast for the Month of November, 2012
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, November 13, 2012

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

Tuesday, November 6th, 2012
11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Please CHECK off the day breakfast will be ordered.

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
11/19 – 11/23

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
11/26 – 11/30

Number of Breakfasts ordered _____ X \$1.50

Less credit due

Total Amount Enclosed

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.

\$ _____

Lunch Order Form
Lunch for the Month of November, 2012
Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, November 13, 2012

Student Name _____

Pod Teacher/Advisor _____ Grade _____

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

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
11/19 – 11/23

Week of Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday
11/26 – 11/30

Number of Meals ordered _____ X \$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

Breakfast

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

* Complies with NSLP

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



South Shore Charter School Grades K-8

November, 2012

Catered by Essence of Thyme

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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South Shore Charter School Grades 9-12
November, 2012
Catered by Essence of Thyme

LUNCH

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

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