Update
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## From the Executive Director

This past Saturday March 4, 2017, the South Shore Charter Public School held the annual enrollment lottery. As you know, for prospective families this is a day that may be filled with tremendous joy, or it may be a day drenched in sadness, depending upon the order in which your child's name was pulled from the goldfish bowl. This year we received 1164 applications for 235 openings. This year we were once again excited to be able to offer more students seats throughout all of the Levels. We are grateful that our expansion has allowed more students and families to become part of our school community.

The enrollment lottery is no small endeavor. In the weeks leading up to the enrollment lottery, teachers and the administrative team review the current educational programming and look to the future to make some decisions surrounding enrollment numbers. These decisions are made within the parameters of our growth plan. We continue to use the growth plan to outline the size of each level. This is done by considering what the ESE refers to as a school's "Steady State" which is really just another way of articulating an enrollment cap. Anticipated openings are determined by the number of students we have in a grade in the current year, the number of students who have indicated that they will be returning next year, of the growth number for the upcoming school year, and the steady state number. In our growth plan the steady state is the same as the growth number for the 2019 column.

Table I: Growth Plan

|  | 2016 | 2017 |  | 2018 |  | 2019 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Steady State } \\ & \hline 225 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Level I (K-2) | 132 | 170 |  | 205 |  | 225 |  |  |
| K | 44 | (+26) | 70 | (+20) | 70 | (+5) | 75 | 75 |
| 1 | 44 | (+7) | 52 | (+5) | 75 | (+5) | 75 | 75 |
| 2 | 44 | (+3) | 48 | (+8) | 60 |  | 75 | 75 |
| Level II (3-4) | 98 | 100 |  | 120 |  | 150 |  | 150 |
| 3 | 50 | (+5) | 50 | (+12) | 60 | (+15) | 75 | 75 |
| 4 | 48 | (+5) | 50 | (+10) | 60 | (+15) | 75 | 75 |
| Level III (5-6) | 90 | 100 |  | 120 |  | 150 |  | 150 |
| 5 | 45 | (+5) | 50 | (+10) | 60 | (+15) | 75 | 75 |
| 6 | 45 | (+5) | 50 | (+10) | 60 | (+15) | 75 | 75 |
| Level IV (7-8) | 90 | 130 |  | 145 |  | 150 |  | 150 |
| 7 | 44 | (+20) | 65 | (+20) | 70 | (+15) | 75 | 75 |
| 8 | 46 | (+20) | 65 | (+10) | 75 | (+5) | 75 | 75 |
| High School | 196 | 260 |  | 337 |  | 400 |  | 400 |
| 9 | 52 | (+30) | 82 | (+30) | 95 | (+25) | 100 | 100 |
| 10 | 51 | (+15) | 66 | (+18) | 100 | (+5) | 100 | 100 |
| 11 | 48 | (+12) | 60 | (+14) | 80 | 100 |  | 100 |
| 12 | 45 | (+4) | 52 | (+2) | 62 | 100 |  | 100 |
| Total | 606 | 760 |  | 927 |  | 1,075 |  | 1,075 |

Upon reviewing our current numbers it is apparent that kindergarten has reached its steady state, this year. Grades two, five, six, and seven will reach their steady state with next August's incoming and current student population. Therefore each of these grades is where it should be, the only difference being that each of these grades hit its steady state one year earlier than initially proposed.

Table II: Anticipated Openings

| Kindergarten | 70 | Grade 7 | 23 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade 1 | 3 | Grade8 | 11 |
| Grade 2 | 4 | Grade9 | 30 |
| Grade 3 | 12 | Grade 10 | 7 |
| Grade 4 | 13 | Grade 11 | 13 |
| Grade 5 | 26 | Grade 12 | 0 |
| Grade 6 | 23 | Total | 235 |

Table III: Applications Received

| Grade | Received | Grade | Received |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| K | 282 | 7 | 98 |
| 1 | 80 | 8 | 60 |
| 2 | 104 | 9 | 92 |
| 3 | 113 | 10 | 20 |
| 4 | 95 | 11 | 13 |
| 5 | 110 | 12 | 3 |
| 6 | 94 | Total | 1164 |

In addition to posting the number of anticipated openings, and the number of applications received, we also post the number of applications we receive from each sending district. This year we have continued the trend of receiving the highest number of applications from Weymouth (325), the second highest number of applications from Randolph (194), and the third highest number of applications from Brockton (132).

Table IV: Applications by Town

| Abington | 33 | Kingston | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Braintree | 29 | Marshfield | 16 |
| Brockton | 132 | Norwell | 22 |
| Cohasset | 3 | Pembroke | 31 |
| Duxbury | 4 | Plymouth | 14 |
| E. Bridgewater | 15 | Quincy | 64 |
| Halifax | 6 | Randolph | 194 |
| Hanover | 14 | Rockland | 78 |
| Hanson | 23 | Scituate | 33 |
| Hingham | 19 | Weymouth | 325 |
| Holbrook | 17 | Whitman | 14 |
| Hull | 36 | Out of District | 36 |

It is heartening that so many families throughout the south shore recognize the value of our unique educational model and it is our sincere hope that in the future we will be able to offer more seats to students seeking admission to our school. If you have any questions regarding our enrollment policy, school wide expansion, or the enrollment lottery, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

| Wednesday | $03 / 08$ | School Council | 3:30pm |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Wednesday | $03 / 08$ | Parents Association | 6:30pm Social <br> $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ Meeting |
| Thursday | $03 / 09$ | Board of Trustees <br> Finance Committee <br> Development Committee | 7:30pm <br> $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> 6:30pm |
| Friday | $03 / 10$ | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter Warnings Mailed |  |
| Wednesday | $03 / 15$ | Professional Development Early Release | $12: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Saturday | $03 / 18$ | METG Drama Festival - Framingham High School | $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |

# Annual Parent Survey 

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SSCPSParentSurvey2017

## SSCPS Enrollment Policy

http://www.sscps.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=306540\&type=d\&termREC_ID=\&pREC_ID=582281

## AnNOUNCEMENTS

## School Lunch

Children need healthy meals to learn. The South Shore Charter Public School offers healthy meals every school day. Your children may qualify for free meals or reduced price meals. If your children were eligible for free or reduced meal benefits last year, this does not automatically qualify your family for benefits this academic year. Your family MUST complete a NEW application and return it to Charlene Evans, Food Services Coordinator. Click here for the application for free or reduced price meal benefits.
If your family has been notified that you are eligible for free or reduced priced meals this academic year, your family will still need to complete a lunch and/or breakfast order form each month for each eligible child.

## What's happening in Workshops and Projects?

Congratulations to the High School Theater Workshop! For the first time ever, the high school's Theater Workshop has advanced to the semi-finals of the METG Drama Festival competition! During preliminaries, recognition awards were received by Fionn Pina Parker, Matt Coleman, and David Brown. Come see the hilarious student-directed production of the one-act comedy "Check, Please" at Framingham High School on Saturday, March 18th at $2: 30$. Tickets are $\$ 10$. For more information, go to www.metg.org or email Debra Greene at dgreene@sscps.org.

## Read the latest publication from the High School Journalism Workshop

Hello Charter families! The Journalism Workshop has just published their monthly articles about Charter news and events. Check out the site at charterink.sscps.org to see if your student is featured this month!
Thank you! Journalism Workshop


## Waste Watchers

During the month of February the Waste Watchers Project sold Valentine messages with Krazy Krayon hearts. They sold them during lunch and raised \$100 for the SSCPS Annual Fund. Remember if you have any broken crayons your not using donate them to us. Drop them off at Bill's office.

## Yearbook Committee

The 2017 yearbook is now in progress and all the memories of the 2016-2017 school year will be published forever in print. To order online go to www.coffeepond.com, to login use school password: bluejaguar. Parents may submit a special personalized page that will appear in the back of the book for their senior at these rates: Full page $\$ 150$, $1 / 2 \mathrm{pg} . \$ 75,1 / 4 \mathrm{pg}$. $\$ 50$. Due date is March 30, 2017. The yearbook staff can help with any design concerns. Also there are still a few 2016 books left, please email Christine at cbodnar@ sscps.org to get yours!

## Development Office

SAVE THE DATE
$22^{\text {nd }}$ SSCEF Annual Auction
Friday, May 5, 2016 at the River Club, Scituate, MA 6:00 p.m.
We invite all faculty, families and friends of our community to our most important fundraiser of the year. The Annual Auction is two months away and we are requesting 100\% PARTICIPATION from our families. There are MANY ways to help - attend the auction, volunteer, sponsor a teacher, help in the classroom with the art project, donate goods or services, purchase a 50/50 raffle ticket, refer a friend.... $100 \%$ participation is expected from every family. A letter is being mailed to each family that will include $250 / 50$ raffle tickets that cost $\$ 20$ each - please write your check to SSCEF and turn them in at the front desk at 100 or 700 Longwater. If you decide not to sell your tickets, please return them either way.

As always, thank you for your support. All funds raised from the Annual Fund support every student in our K-12 family.

Please use Amazon Smile with each Amazon purchase you regularly make. Log into www.smile.amazon.com and use your regular username and password. Search South Shore Charter Educational Foundation and earn free money for us!

## Community Service Opportunities

## Time To Clear Out Those Bookcases!

Shannon Daly in grade 9 is collecting slightly used or new 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 to create an at-home library. The Learning Center relies on donations from community members to make this giveaway possible, a lot of the time this is the only way they receive books. The collection box is located in the the front lobby at 100 Longwater and any donations would be greatly appreciated. For larger donations please contact Shannon Daly at: shandewi@hotmail.com

## Support our Troops!!

Shannon Daly is working in collaboration with her Civil Air Patrol Squadron in Plymouth to collect much-needed and appreciated necessities and reminders of home for our troops overseas. We are sending to 21 Medevac soldiers from the C/3-126 Aviation deployed to Iraq and Kuwait. We still have the AF unit from the Cape. Also Cadet Second Lieutenant Timothy Bourque's cousin, SPC Jacob Hultman is deployed to Kuwait and former Pilgrim Cadet Tom Lentini is still in Okinawa. These Valiant Troops are the recipients of this collection. When they receive these packages and letters from home, it lifts their spirits and lets them know we are thinking of them, and appreciate their service. Many service members deployed do not have people from home to motivate and support them. This is an awesome opportunity for us to show our gratitude for their service! There is a list of their needs and requests in this notice, and on the collection boxes located in the lobbies of both school buildings as well as pictures of the troops you can check out! For more information about donations, or CAP please contact Shannon Daly at Shandewi@hotmail.com

## Level II Student Collecting Donations for Cat Shelter

Fisher Roman loves cats. LOVES them. He recently adopted a homeless cat from the local animal shelter. While he was at the shelter, he noticed all the cats that don't have homes. There were LOTS. So, to help the homeless cats in his town of Hull, Fisher is collecting cat food \& cat litter and donating it to the shelter (called the Hull Seaside

Animal Rescue). If you would like to help the cats and kittens who don't have homes, you can bring in a can or bag of cat food or cat litter and drop it off in Fisher's Cat Box in Nicole's Pod on Level 2. You can drop off your donations from now until the last day of school. Meow! (That's "Thank You!" in Cat Language)


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

## The $22^{\text {nd }}$ Annual SSCEF Auction

Friday, May $5^{\text {th }}, 2017$

## The River Club, Scituate, MA

SSCEF is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization providing foundational financial support for the South Shore Charter Public School. SSCEF is a key partner in allocating funds to bolster our program offerings and to offset operating costs.

Contributions to SSCEF are tax deductible to the extent permitted by IRS regulations.
Tax ID\#030528760

You are invited to join us!

Item Donated $\qquad$
Retail Value $\qquad$

SSCPS contact name, number and email: $\qquad$

Sponsorship Opportunities:
*Platinum Sponsor: \$5000
*Gold Sponsor: \$2500
*Silver Sponsor: \$1000
*Faculty/Staff Sponsor: \$75
PAYMENT
Total Amount: \$ $\qquad$
$\square$ Check / Money Order enclosed payable to SSCEF
Bill my credit card: $\square \square$ MasterCard $\square \square$ Visa
Security Code: $\qquad$
Account \#:
Exp. Date: $\qquad$ Signature:

## Sponsor Descriptions

*Platinum Sponsor: $\$ 5000$ donation designates you a Platinum Sponsor. Your name and logo will be listed in print and electronic media. You will have a reserved table for 10 attendees at the auction.
*Gold Sponsor: $\$ 2500$ donation designates you as a Gold Sponsor. Your name and logo will be listed in print and electronic media. You will receive 6 tickets to the auction.
*Silver Sponsor: $\$ 1,000$ donation designates you as a Silver Sponsor. Your name and logo will be listed in print and electronic media. You will receive 4 tickets to the event.
*Bronze Sponsor: $\$ 500$ donation designates you as a Bronze Sponsor. Your name and logo will be listed in print and electronic media. You will receive tickets for 2 tickets to the gala.
*Supporting Sponsor: $\$ 250$ donation designates you as a Supporting Sponsor. Your name and logo will be listed in print and electronic media.
*Friends and Family Sponsor: $\$ 100$ donation designates you as a Family and Friends of SSCPS. Your name will be listed in print and electronic media.
*Teacher/ Staff Sponsor: $\$ 75$ donation designates you as a Teacher/ Staff Sponsor of SSCPS and will allow for one of our faculty members to join us at the event.
Your name will be listed in print and electronic media.

Please indicate how you would like to have your name and logo listed.
Please send a jpeg file of your logo to 1dannison@sscps.org.

# Social Communication Disorder: An Overview of Characteristics, Assessment and Treatment Presented by Melanie Austin, MS, CCC-SLP 

Tuesday, March 21st, 2017
7:00-8:30pm
42 Winter Street, Pembroke, MA
\$25

Is your student struggling to interact with his peers? Can he start and maintain a conversation? Does he fail to notice nonverbal social cues?

These are just a few signs that a child may be experiencing social language deficits. Please join Melanie Austin, MS, CCC-SLP for a discussion about what constitutes social language and how it plays a role in our everyday life. This inservice will include discussion:

- Identifying symptoms of a social communication disorder
- Determining how to gather the most useful information during the social language assessment process
- Treatment considerations
- Suggestions for writing and targeting social-emotional goals
- Strategies and visual aids to help build and strengthen a child's social language skills


## Register Now!

For More Information or to Register Please Call
South Shore Therapies at (781) 335-6663
*Please Note* Space is limited and is on a first come first serve basis.
Payment due at time of registration
You can also find us on Social Media!
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- Healthy Snacks
- Drank Mix Singes and Condiment Packs.
- Dr a cereal, polooerzo Mur/sugar Packets.
- Pop-top canned meals.
- Proten/granola bars (They love jerzel).
- Assotzteo toiletries for bott Genders (Oral hygiene Products, Lotion, FOOT/BOOY POWDER, BABY WIPES, BODY WASH /L IN ONE SHAMPOO, ETC).
- morale boosters (Cutzzent Magazines, Bookspuzzle Books, DVD's, BOAZ GAMES, Letters /mall, Etc.).
- Past Times (frisbees, Sports Equipment; PLAYING CARLOS, P
- pocket games, ert.).
- Blank gazetting catzosto send home, Retractable Pens ETc.
- Letters from everyone are al days welcome!

FOR THOSE WHO CANT BE HERE, GIVE THEM SOMETHING THAT WILL

REMIND THEM OF HOME!
For more information contact Shannon Daly in the High School Email: shandewi@hotmail.com


2/27/2017 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
Contact Info: Friends of Holly Hill Farm, 236 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset, MA 02025 www.hollyhillfarm.org 781-383-6565
Holly Hill Farm Media contact: jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com

## UPCOMING EVENTS \& ACTIVITIES

NEW! Holly Hill Farm Welcomes BENJI the Sicilian Miniature Donkey!
Please join us to welcome Benji, a rescued, one year old Sicilian miniature donkey! Our master carpenter, Dan Callahan, has built a new shelter for Benji, alongside the Dwarf Nigerian goat pen where Bella and Libby reside. Miniature donkeys are one of the most affectionate and friendly animals of their kind with gentle dispositions. Benji is sure to become an adored member of the Holly Hill Farm family! Benji is on a restricted diet so please do not feed him extra treats! The trails and grounds at Holly Hill Farm are open to the public every day from dawn to dusk.

NEW! WALKING STICK WORKSHOP, SATURDAY, MARCH $11^{\text {th }}$ from 10:00-noon
With mud and ice still underfoot, now is a great time to come to the farm and learn how to make your own walking stick. We will work with our resident Rustic Farm Furniture artisan, Malcolm White, and head to the woods to find the right stick. Back in the barnyard, each participant will be guided and instructed to customize his or her own walking stick to take home. All ages welcome. Donations welcome. 781-383-6565 hollyhillfarm.org

## FARM TO FOOD PANTRY COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR TEENS AT HOLLY HILL FARM!

The Farm to Food Pantry Program is a unique opportunity for teenagers aged 13-18. We will begin Friday, March 3, 3:00pm, Saturday, March 4, 9:00am or by appointment. Please contact us if you wish to complete your community service requirements at Holly Hill Farm while learning valuable growing and harvesting skills to last a lifetime. We will deliver produce to local food pantries come harvest time. Contact Education Director, Jon Belber at 781-383-6565 or jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com

SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS TO HOLLY HILL FARM Please consider booking your grade level field trips to Holly Hill Farm now. Weather permitting, we will host trips beginning in late March. We have guided tours and hands on experiences for preschool aged children through high school. Contact Jon Belber, Education Director at 781-3836565 or jbelberhollyhill@hotmail.com

## SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Recently the farm teachers at Holly Hill Farm were filling a worm bin at the Wampatuck School in Scituate with grade 5. Often this lesson is geared towards 2 nd graders to teach them about different parts of soil and ways to divert waste from the trash system. But 5th graders were equally excited to add peels, fruit scraps, torn newspaper and leftover vegetables to the bin so the red wriggler worms could go to work on making wonderful, nutrient-rich vermicompost. Soon the farmers will begin their weekly visits to the Old Colony Montessori School in Hingham to sow seeds, make compost, transplant, weed, cultivate and work in their outdoor classroom and learning garden. The students and families will also be in production mode, as the students in the elementary classroom will also be trying to grow as many crops as they can for a celebration supper on June 7th at the Corner Stop Eatery. If they grow it, they can harvest, eat and share it too.

# Breakfast Order Form Breakfast for the Month of March, 2017 <br> Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, March 14, 2017 

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 3/13-3/17

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday 3/20-3/24

Week of [ ] Monday [ ] Tuesday [ ] Wednesday [ ] Thursday [ ] Friday 3/27-3/31

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

# Lunch Order Form Lunch for the Month of March, 2017 <br> Due to the office by 3:00 pm, *Tuesday, March 14, 2017 

Student Name $\qquad$
Pod Teacher/Advisor $\qquad$ Grade $\qquad$

Please circle one choice per each day lunch is ordered.

| Week of <br> $3 / 6-3 / 10$ | $\frac{\text { Menday }}{\text { Reg or Salad }}$ | $\frac{\text { Tuesday }}{\text { Reg or Salad }}$ | $\frac{\text { Wednesday }}{\text { Reg or Salad }}$ |  | $\frac{\text { Thursday }}{\text { Reg or Salad }}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

- Option A = Regular Lunch Choice
- Option B = Salad Lunch Choice
- Can only choose 1 (one) option

Number of Regular Lunches (A) ordered $\qquad$
Number of Salads (B) ordered $\qquad$ \$3.40
Less credit due

## Total Amount Enclosed

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

## SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL <br> MARCH, 2017

BREAKFAST

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 <br> WG Cinnamon Raisin Bagel <br> Fruit <br> Orange Juice Milk | $7$ <br> 2 oz. Cereal Fruit Juice Milk | 3.6 oz. WG Blueberry Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | 9 <br> 3.6 oz. WG Chocolate Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | $10$ <br> WG Apple Roll Fruit Orange Juice Milk |
| 13 Graham Crackers <br>  Cereal <br> Fruit  <br>  Orange Juice <br>  Milk | 14 <br> 3.6 oz . WG Banana Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | 15 <br> 3.6 oz. WG Chocolate Chip Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | $16 \quad$ WG Cinnamon Roll | $17$ <br> WG Bagel Fruit Orange Juice Milk |
| 20 <br> Cheerios Graham Crackers Fruit Orange Juice Milk | $21$ <br> 2 oz . Cereal Fruit <br> Orange Juice Milk | 22 <br> 3.6 oz. WG Apple Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | 23 <br> WG Croissant w/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk | 24 <br> WG Apple Roll Fruit Juice Milk |
| 27 <br> Cereal WG Grahams Fruit Juice Milk | $28$ <br> WG Croissant w/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk | 29 <br> 3.6 oz. WG Blueberry Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk | $30$ <br> WG Bagel w/Jelly Fruit Orange Juice Milk | $31$ <br> 3.6 oz. WG Chocolate Chip Muffin Fruit Orange Juice Milk |
| s include Choice of 1\% or Skim Milk. $\quad$ Circle a Milk Choice $\quad \mathbf{1 \%} \quad$ Skim |  |  | * Complies with NSLP Regulation |  |

PLEASE MAKE A MEAL CHOICE BY CIRCLING THE DAY BREAKFAST IS DESIRED. ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
*Before placing your order, please inform the school if you have a food allergy!
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## SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL K-8 <br> MARCH, 2017

LUNCH MENU Circle A or B


## ALL MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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This institution is an Equal Opportunity Employer"
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SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL 9-12
MARCH, 2017
LUNCH MENU Circle A or B

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