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*A Message from Angie*



Last Thursday evening's [National Honor Society](#) induction ceremony was a wonderful celebration of students living our mission. The National Association of Secondary School Principals established the National Honor Society in 1921 to recognize outstanding high school students. While we have some flexibility in dictating how our chapter is run, the national organization sets the guidelines and determines the standards for membership; that bar is set high. Induction into the National Honor Society recognizes student excellence in four areas: scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

the values of our school's mission: inspiring every student to excel in academics, service, and life.

Prospective NHS members undergo a rigorous selection process that requires students to reflect on the meaning of academics, leadership, service, and character and honestly present how they demonstrate these qualities to a faculty selection committee. At the induction ceremony, current members discussed these traits and their importance. They led new members in a pledge committing them to continued excellence. All of our new inductees invited a teacher who has had a significant impact on their education to the induction. During the ceremony, our students took time to recognize those teachers and their role in their development as students and as people. It was wonderful to have faculty representation at our NHS event from the high school, the lower Levels, and from outside districts. Current members also put together a [booklet](#) describing the new inductees that they included as part of the program.

The SSCPS chapter of the National Honor Society is active and visible in our building. Our NHS chapter regularly plans service projects to benefit both our school and the wider community. These service projects include peer tutoring, blood drives, and volunteering at shelters. NHS students take on a leadership role in the building through formal means such as presentations to the student body, and in an informal way by serving as role models for our younger students. Congratulations to our newest National Honor Society members!

Bobita Atkins

David Azer

Tessa Beshere

Hana Bowker-Wickersham

Caleb Buon

Maeve Carson

Christine Chery

Stanley Claude

Shannon Daly

Liam Doherty

Abigail Farmer

Liam Fitzpatrick

Joseph Golden

Grace Hicks

Samantha Jocelyn

Lindsay Lamy

Ifeoma Obienugh

Gregory Ozturk

Cormac Schaefer-Flynn

Kylie Schaefer-Flynn

Nathan Tierney

Chloe Valliere

Katrina Vilnaigre



In other community service news, students on Level III carved pumpkins on Thursday afternoon to support the New England Wildlife Center's [Night of a Thousand Faces](#). This has become an annual tradition for our 5th and 6th graders and a wonderful opportunity for all of the students to work together toward meeting a service-based goal.



On Friday afternoon our kindergarten faculty organized the first annual Kindergarten Harvest Festival. Our youngest students celebrated the fall season with a “pumpkin patch” to explore, pumpkin decorating, and harvest-themed activities. At the end of the day, students participated in outdoor group games like potato sack races, cornhole, and wheelbarrow races. Thank you to all of the families that donated supplies and came in to help. A special thank you to [Harper's Farm](#) who contributed 100 pumpkins to the festival. Your support helped make this a truly wonderful event for our children that we are excited to make an annual tradition.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns.



Thursday	11/01	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends for Grades 5-12	
Thursday	11/01	<a href="#">Freshman Class Retreat to TreeTop Adventures</a>	
Thursday	11/01	<a href="#">School Council</a>	3:30pm
Thursday	11/01	<a href="#">Level I and Level II Literacy Night!</a> Library Committee hosts <a href="#">"Book Wish Tree"</a>	6:00-7:00pm
Saturday	11/03	Parents Association Meeting	9:00am
Saturday	11/03	Parents Association Hosts Art & Craft Fair at 104 Longwater Drive	9:00am-2:00pm
Tuesday	11/06	<a href="#">Library Committee Annual Book Fair</a> at 100 Longwater Circle	
Wednesday	11/06	<a href="#">Library Committee Annual Book Fair</a> at 100 Longwater Circle	
Wednesday	11/06	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Information Meeting at 700 Longwater Drive	6:00pm
Upcoming Events			
	11/07	National Honor Society Hosts Blood Drive at 104 Longwater	1:00-6:00pm

### ***Important Links***

Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org) every Wednesday.

Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest.

- [Food Service](#) –November Order Forms and Menus are available!
- [Original Works Update!](#)
- [Follow SSCPS Athletics](#) on Twitter  
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- [Donate](#) your extra Halloween Treats to the Troops!
- Visit our new online option to [purchase](#) SSCPS apparel
- Please visit our [Giving](#) link for information regarding The Fund for SSCEF
- Check out the weekly newsletter for [Holly Hill Farm](#)

Please contact Pam Algera at [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org) to submit items for publication.

### ***School Documents***

[SSCPS By-Laws](#)

[School Improvement Plan](#)

[School Council](#)

### **Schedules by Level:**

- [Level I](#)
- [Level II](#)
- [Level III](#)
- [Level IV](#)



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