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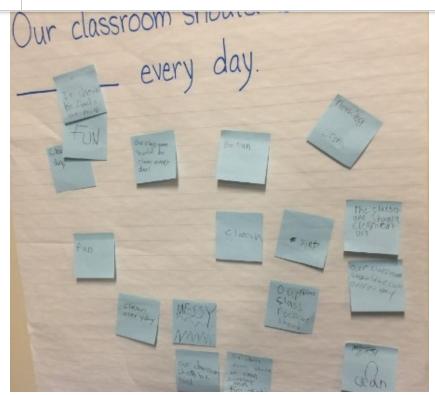


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Darlene's Pod | Level II

Now in our fifth week of the school year, much has been happening here at SSCPS. These past few days have been solid reminders of all that occurs on our campus every day. Yesterday we held the second Strategic Plan meeting. For those of you who are new to SSCPS, the <u>Strategic Plan</u> provides our community with a five-year map. Within the Strategic Plan we identify what is important to us as a school community, what we have achieved over the past five years, what we continue to work on, and which direction we are headed. It is the intention of the committee to write a new plan which identifies new pursuits and goals, as well as to continue to work on initiatives from our last plan that evolve and improve with time and effort.

The Strategic Planning Committee is made up of members of the Board of Trustees, members of the Foundation, parents, students, faculty, and staff. Their task is no small endeavor. This is the plan that provides our institutional map. Families should expect to see a working draft in January and will be solicited for participation via email and focus groups. Please know that we greatly appreciate all opinions and thoughts. It is your participation that will make this process better.

One of the areas we discussed yesterday was the school library. Our library at 100 Longwater Circle has grown into a significant resource for our elementary students. This has been done through the efforts of Bev Bruce and other dedicated faculty members working closely with parent volunteers all committed to childhood literacy and the value of a book in each student's hand. Although we have gone miles at 100, the journey is only beginning at 700. We know we need another library. Nora Broderick, ELA Curriculum Coordinator, has already begun to research possibilities for the library at 700. What that learning space will look like in terms of space, technology, and printed resources are discussions worth having. Strategic planning gives us the opportunity to do so in a clear and concise way.

Lastly, I would like to thank the students from Melissa and Julie's pod for hosting me as their guest mystery reader yesterday afternoon. I always enjoy reading *Frederick* by Leo Lionni to kindergarten students each year and this year was no exception. Our youngest students ask questions, make predictions, and can discuss characters and stories in that terrific way only a five year old can. If you are able to volunteer, I would encourage you sign up to be your child's classroom mystery reader. It's an experience of a lifetime.

Sincerely, Alicia Savage Executive Director, South Shore Charter Public School

IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR LEVEL III & IV FAMILIES

This is just a reminder that Back to School Night for grades 5-8 is tomorrow, Thursday, September 27th from 6:00-7:30. Parents will have the opportunity to get some general information about each Level, meet individual teachers, and to get up and running with their <u>PlusPortals</u> accounts. The general information that teachers will share is available on our website for both <u>Level III</u> (grades 5-6) and <u>Level IV</u> (grades 7-8). The schedule for the evening is below:

Level III

6:00-6:30 PlusPortals Login and Training (Music Room)

6:30-7:30 Classroom Visits

Level IV

6:00-6:10 Pod Time

6:10-7:00 Classroom Visits

7:00-7:30 PlusPortals Login and Training (Music Room)

Thursday	09/27	Level III and Level IV Back-to-School Night	6:00-7:30pm
Friday	09/28	Freshman Retreat to Treetop Adventures	
Tuesday	10/02	INPAC Workshop	6:30pm
Wednesday	10/03	Executive Committee Meeting	8:00am
Wednesday	10/03	Professional Development Early Release	12:00pm
Thursday	10/04	School Council	3:30pm
Thursday	10/04	1 st Quarter Warnings Mailed	
		Upcoming Event	
Saturday	10/13	SSCEF 10 th Annual Harvest Road Race	

Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website www.sscps.org every Wednesday.

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

- Register today for the SSCEF 10th Annual Harvest Road Race
- The Harvest Run Family Registration form may be found <u>HERE</u>.
- Note from the Health Office Please complete and send in the Over the Counter Medication form. No student will be given any over the counter medication without a signed consent form
- <u>Food Service</u> **October** Order Forms and Menus are now available!
- BoxTop for Education volunteer opportunity
- Visit our new online option to <u>purchase</u> SSCPS apparel
- Please visit our <u>Giving</u> link for information regarding The Fund for SSCEF and the Harvest Run registration and sponsorship information
- <u>Interested in International Travel</u> in April 2019!
- Check out the weekly newsletter for <u>Holly Hill</u> <u>Farm</u>

Please contact Pam Algera at <u>palgera@sscps.org</u> to submit items for publication.

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School Improvement Plan

School Council

Schedules by Level:

- Level I
- Level II
- <u>Level III</u>
- <u>Level IV</u>



A Great Night Out for Families!







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