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# Weekly Update | November 6, 2019

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# A Message from Alicia



High School History Class

The South Shore Charter Public School has much to celebrate. Throughout the month of October, the Weekly Update has featured some of the K-12 happenings in math, ELA, and science. Although our curriculum is changing and growing, we measure our student success by what it really means to be a students at SSCPS. Our greatest achievements in and out of the classroom are not measurable by a test score. We are proudest of the work our students do when they undertake the service component of our mission statement. As one example, tomorrow NHS students will head out to local daycare centers for <u>Jumpstart's Read for the Record</u>. With books in their hands, seniors and juniors will be reading to younger students throughout the south shore.

Our K-12 model has prepared our high school students well for outreach initiatives. An

in kindergarten, they have read storybooks to students on Level I, members of the BSU have visited to Level II to share history facts, and science teams have helped our middle school with Exhibitions of Mastery and the Science Fair. When traveling to Level I, many of our seniors know they have come full circle.

Another indicator of success is student achievement. This month we received notification of those students in the Class of 2019 who have qualified to receive the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. The Adams Scholarship provides a full tuition waiver to any Massachusetts college or university. Students have been awarded this scholarship based on their performance on the Spring 2017 MCAS. It is nothing short of thrilling to note that 18 seniors have qualified. Ten of those students have been SSCPS students since kindergarten.

# John and Abigail Adams Scholars Class of 2019

John Aiello Liam Doherty
Ashley Almeda Xander Farmer
David Azer Joseph Golden
Tessa Beshere Grace Hicks

Hana Bowker-Wickersham Samantha Jocelyn Caleb Buon Gregory Ozturk

Justin Chao Cormac Schaefer-Flynn
Stanley Claude Kylie Schaefer-Flynn
Shannon Daly Nathan Tierney

On its website, the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority (MEFA) explains three indicators that students must have to qualify for an Adams merit scholarship:

- Students must score in the Advanced category on one of three high school state assessment tests in English Language Arts, Mathematics, or STE (Biology, Chemistry, Introductory Physics or Technology/Engineering)
- Students must score in the Proficient or Advanced category on the remaining two high school state assessment tests
- Students must have a combined MCAS score on these assessments that ranks in the top 25% in their school district

Our students are working hard and succeeding. The Adams Scholars have achieved high academic honors not only within their senior class at SSCPS, but within the senior class of their sending district as well. In a traditional district school, students who perform in the top 25 percent of their class are awarded an Adams Scholarship. As a charter school, our students receive this award by scoring in the top 25 percent of their class, or in the top 25 percent of their sending district. As evident by the high number of SSCPS students who have earned this an Adams Scholarship, our students have achieved at high levels in comparison to all students in their sending districts. At SSCPS, 38 percent of the senior class received this award. Their achievement holds no bounds. Congratulations.

I wish you all a peaceful and reflective weekend as we honor our military veterans on Veterans Day.

Alicia Savage Executive Director

From the Foundation...

#### November is Literacy Month at SSCPS

Support Classroom Libraries throughout the month of November by donating below.

Thank you!

**DONATE** 

### SSCPS Library Committee Fall Book Fair is here! Thursday, November 7 and Friday, November 8

The fair will also be open at 5:30pm for the Level I and Level II Literacy Night on Thursday, 11/07.

The fair is a major fundraiser for the library, and profits are used to purchase new books for our library. Local bookstore *Storybook Cove* provides an outstanding selection of titles for K-8 students. Students browse the fair and bring home their wish list and order form. The book list is also available online at sscps.org and <a href="storybookcove.com">storybookcove.com</a>.

#### **Holiday Holds:**

If you would like to order books as holiday gifts, check the Holiday Hold box on the order form. Any orders with a Holiday Hold must be dropped off at the FRONT DESK, not with the classroom teacher. Those books will be delivered separately from the rest of your order.

#### **Book Donations:**

If your family would like to donate a book to the SSCPS library, check the Donation box on your order form. It will be added to the library collection.

#### **Exclusive Offer:**

The new Diary of a Wimpy Kid #14: Wrecking Ball book (release day 11/5/19) can be bought "cash/check and carry". It will be delivered to your child when your payment of \$15.00 is received.

# Book List Order Form

Interested in volunteering at the fair?
Email Carolyn Mustin <a href="mailto:carolyn.mustin@gmail.com">carolyn.mustin@gmail.com</a>

Questions ? Email bbruce@sscps.org



# Literacy Night is coming!

Thursday, November 7, from 6 to 7 p.m.

Families of grades K-4 students, please join us for Literacy Night! Your children will hear stories read or told aloud to them in English and other languages by teachers and volunteers.

Pajamas and slippers are appropriate dress!

If you would like to volunteer to be a reader (especially to read in your home language), please contact:

Sheina Prince-Eugene (sprince@sscps.org) 781-982-4202, x 367 or

Bev Bruce (<u>bbruce@sscps.org</u>) 781-982-4202 x336



# Norwell Community Blood Drive Sponsored by South Shore Charter Public School

Gym 104 Longwater Drive Norwell, MA 02061

Friday, November 15, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: NORWELL to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

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#### Hello SSCPS Parents and Guardians!

The high school Art Workshop conducts this fundraiser in conjunction with Original Works every year.

If you are new to the program let me explain. Your child will come home with a packet from Original Works (starting the last week of October). The packet includes their art and an order form. IF you are interested in purchasing any products with your child's work on them you will fill out the order form, enclose a check to SSCPS and together with their ART, send that

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art and recycle the rest of the materials. If you have any questions please email me at <a href="mailto:mbuckleycurran@sscps.org">mbuckleycurran@sscps.org</a> or call my x304.

Wednesday	11/06	Professional Development Early Release	12:00pm
Thursday	11/07	8 <sup>th</sup> Graders to Edward M Kennedy Institute Mock Senate	
		Trial	
Thursday	11/07	Library Committee Hosts Book Fair at 100	
		Book List and Order Form	
Thursday	11/07	NHS Read for the Record Field Trip	
Thursday	11/07	School Council	3:40pm
Thursday	11/07	Level I and Level II Literacy Night	6:00-7:00pm
Friday	11/08	Library Committee Hosts Book Fair at 100	
		Book List and Order Form	
Friday	11/08	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade to visit Plimoth Plantation	
Friday	11/08	Grades 5-12 First Quarter Grades Distributed	
Monday	11/11	Veteran's Day – No School	
Wednesday	11/13	Junior Class Parent Night at 700	6:00pm
Thursday	11/14	Board of Trustees at 100	7:30pm
Friday	11/15	NHS Hosts Blood Drive at the SSCPS Gym 104 Longwater Drive	1:00-6:00pm
Saturday	11/16	Parents Association Meeting	9:00am
Saturday	11/16	Enrollment Open House at 100 and 700	11am-1pm

#### Lost and Found

The Lost and Found will be sorted and donated before the Thanksgiving break.

Please check for your child's lost items prior to November 27th.

#### **Important Links**

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

- Help SSCPS raise funds with BoxTops for Education. Click here to learn more about their new program
- October and November <u>Breakfast and</u> **Lunch Menus and Order Forms**
- Back-to-School Information
- Visit our new online option to <u>purchase</u> SSCPS
- Community Service Opportunity for an SSCPS **Family**
- Community Interest: Click here for information on Team IMPACT

items of interest. Please contact Pam Algera at palgera@sscps.org to submit SSCPS items for publication.

**School Documents** 2019-2020 Calendar

Student and Family <u>Handbook</u>

SSCPS By-Laws

Pick-up Procedures

Here are links to upcoming events and other







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