



# **SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL**

## **WEEKLY UPDATE**

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As we approach the holiday vacation next week and the joy that the season can bring, I want to express the school's wishes to you all our families. We have had a wonderful first four months in our new home learning to get to know our new community with all the great families and students who have joined us this year.

Two of our seniors received word this week from Governor Romney that they are able to go to college tuition-free. Carolyn Coyne and Matt Gambardello are among the first recipients of the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. This scholarship allows them to attend the University of Massachusetts or any state college for four years, tuition-free. They qualified for the scholarship from the exceptional scores they earned on the MCAS in 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Congratulations to both Carolyn and Matt on a great achievement.

The Winter Solstice Concert last night was an outstanding success. The work Wardie Mannix, Andre Kim and Mary Roman did with their students in all six levels was a great gift to their student's parents. Holding it at Hingham High School's auditorium and packing the house with so many of our families and topping it off with a great concert, brought cheer to all who were there. Thank you to all the students and staff involved.

This past weekend our basketball teams had their season opener against Mystic Valley Charter. While we didn't win either game, there is a new enthusiasm in the program that made the evening exciting. Both the girls and boys have large teams of dedicated athletes who are learning to work together under the masterful guidance of coaches Katie Manchini and Kevin Cooper. Home games are at Hingham Middle School on Route 228 just north of Queen Anne's Corner (Route 53). I encourage all our families to bring the kids and have a fun night watching some of our older students take on the other charter school teams.

We have had two fundraisers in the last several days. Parent Teri Brenner, who works with Waldenbooks, brought together a team of parents to hold a wonderfully successful Book Fair that raised money for the development of our library. Thank you to Teri and all who helped make that a fruitful event. The school also raised several thousand dollars for the new library at its Special Holiday Auction on December 4 in conjunction with SpringBrook Toys, Inc. Everyone who attended had a great time and took away bargains ranging from balloon rides to wooden blocks and pirate ships. Again, a team of parents helped with the setup and arrangements for the auction, thanks to all those who pitched in.

Lastly we would like to thank those parents, led by Anne Selig, who have been the Staff Appreciation elves. Every staff member got a bag of holiday cookies this week and the various things this committee does all year gives the staff a huge boost. Thanks.

I wish everyone a joyous holiday and restful vacation. Lots of work has gone into this year so far and we can rest in the knowledge that all this good work is making our school better day by day.

Mike Munhall  
Head of School/Executive Director

<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>Level 2 Roman Play</b>	<b>2:15pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>Level 3 Field Trip to Strand Theatre</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>Parent Conferences (Grades 9-12)</b>	<b>By appointment</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/16</b>	<b>Board of Trustees</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12/17</b>	<b>LUNCH ORDERS DUE BY NOON</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12/17</b>	<b>Jaguars (Away) vs. Codman Academy 155 Talbot Avenue - Dorchester</b>	<b>Girls @ 6:00pm Boys @ 7:00pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12/19</b>	<b>Academy of the Pacific Rim vs. Jaguars (Home) Hingham Middle School</b>	<b>Girls @ 6:00pm Boys @ 7:00pm</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>12/20</b>	<b>School Council</b>	<b>3:30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12/21</b>	<b>JANUARY LUNCH ORDERS DUE BY 3:00pm</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12/21</b>	<b>Craft Day Level 1</b>	<b>1:15pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>12/22</b>	<b>Craft Day Level 2</b>	<b>1:15pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12/23</b>	<b>HOLIDAY BREAK BEGINS</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>1/03</b>	<b>CLASSES RESUME</b>	<b>8:15am</b>
		<b>Exhibition of Mastery Week Levels 5 &amp; 6</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1/05</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Coffee with Mike</b>	<b>8:15am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1/05</b>	<b>Education Committee</b>	<b>3:30pm</b>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS A NEW WEB ADDRESS.** Due to the recent addition of the word "public" to our school's name, our domain name has now changed to **www.sscps.org**. To email a member of the faculty or staff use "[first initial last name](mailto:first initial last name@sscps.org)"@sscps.org. For example, to send a message to an SSCPS employee named John Doe, please email [jdoe@sscps.org](mailto:jdoe@sscps.org).

Additionally, we have set up two parent email lists. Both lists include all email addresses that the school has on file for families in our community.

[parentnews@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parentnews@lists.sscps.org) - will be used by SSCPS for official school news only. Please note- any changes or additions to email addresses should be directed to [palgera@sscps.org](mailto:palgera@sscps.org).

[parents@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parents@lists.sscps.org) - is a discussion/communication list for parents use. Any parent may unsubscribe from this list by e-mailing [parents-optout@lists.sscps.org](mailto:parents-optout@lists.sscps.org).

**ALL LOST AND FOUND ITEMS WILL BE DONATED TODAY - DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>!**

**RED VELVET SCARF found at Winter Solstice Concert.** Contact Claudia Darrow in the Title 1 office.

## **LUNCH ORDERS**

Weekly Lunch order form is attached. This order is due to the office no later than Friday, December 17 at 12:00noon. If you have already completed a Monthly Lunch Order Form for the entire month of December, please do not complete this form.

Also attached are the January Monthly Order Form and the January Menu. It is due no later than Tuesday, December 21 at 3:00 pm. You may complete this form for the entire month or on a weekly basis.

Attention to Level 2, 3, and 4: if you have been previously notified that your child has a credit due to a December field trip, please note so on the order form and deduct this amount from your total.

## **LONGWATER TRANSPORTATION**

Longwater Transportation has one seat available on the bus from Hull to South Shore Charter Public School in Norwell. The bus accepts students from Hull, Hingham, and Cohasset and is open to students from all levels. Please contact KT Leary (781-925-1257) or Greer Tocci (781-925-8682) as soon as possible if you would like to reserve this seat and/or for more information. Happy Holidays!

## **COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES**

**CONTRATULATIONS TO SENIOR ADAM GROSS** who has been accepted to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Florida.

## **ON THE LEVELS...**

### **SAYING OF THE WEEK:**

**LEVEL 1:**“Don’t judge a book by its cover.”

**LEVEL 2:**“Once in a blue moon.”

### **NEWS FROM LEVEL 2**

- ?? Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Roman play will be performed at 11:00am for students and parents are invited to attend the 2:15pm performance.
- ?? Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> is Level 2 Craft Day at 1:00pm. Pod parents will be calling for volunteers or you may call Colin for more information.
- ?? Level 2 is looking for a Parent to volunteer on a weekly basis to help with lunch on Thursdays from 12:00 – 12:30pm. If interested please contact Colin at ext. 313.

**ANY CHANGES IN DISMISSAL INSTRUCTIONS** must be submitted in writing to the classroom teacher. If the teacher does not have the written note they will follow the dismissal instructions submitted in September.

**PSAT SCORES FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 10 & 11** will be distributed Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **PROJECT NEWS**

**THE MARKETING PROJECT FUNDRAISER** – It’s not too late to purchase raffle tickets. There’s a winner each day. Tickets are \$2.00 for the first three entries and \$1.00 for each additional entry. Ticket sales are being held from 7:45 to 8:15 and 12:30 – 1:00pm.

**SUPPORT THE ROCK MONKEY PROJECT** and purchase a raffle ticket for the Prize Basket displayed in the lobby valued at \$133.00. Tickets are \$2.00 each or \$5.00 for 3 tickets. See the project members in room 101.

### **CHILDREN’S BOOK PROJECT PROVIDE SERVICES TO RAISE MONEY FOR THEIR UPCOMING TRIP TO HONDURAS!**

?? There is still time to support the Children’s Book Project as they “**Rake to Honduras**”. Contact Project Leader Howard Bean at ext. 301 if you are interested in having members of the project rake your yard.

?? The project is selling Calzone Slices on Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes to students in Levels 4, 5 & 6 for \$2.00 per slice. No pre-orders are necessary!

**Playwriting Project sponsors morning Coffee and Breakfast Treat** Week of January 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:45 – 8:10am \$2.50.

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- ?? Level 4 part time teacher aide (20 hours week)
- ?? Level 1 part time teacher aide (20 hours week) beginning 1/3/05
- ?? On-call substitute teacher
- ?? Full Time Substitute teacher

Send cover letter, resume and list of references to Kristine Shipps, Business Manager, Office #3.

## **PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

### **BOX TOP CLASSROOM CONTEST**

During the month of January, 2005 we will be having a Box Top Classroom contest for Levels 1, 2, 3. Each classroom will receive a designated Box Top bag with the classroom teacher, room number on it. At the end of January, 2005 the classroom that collects the most box tops will win a Pizza Party or an Ice Cream Party.

Please save your box tops for this contest. Ask your family, friends, and co-workers to also save them for you and send them into your child's classroom during the month of January. This contest will officially start on January 3, 2005. Attached is a product list for your information. If you have any questions you can email Beth Toma at [JToma85103@aol.com](mailto:JToma85103@aol.com) or 781-340-5742.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS**

**BOTTLE/CAN DRIVE FOR THE ANIMALS** – Level 3 students Sarah Walzer and Madison Dell are collecting bottles and cans to raise money to help care for the animals in the Science Room. Please bring rinsed donations to the blue bin outside Room 308. Thank you.

**TOY DRIVE** – The Carolina Hill Homeless Shelter in Marshfield is in need of new, unwrapped toys for ages Birth – 14years. Students and their families can leave donations for pickup by December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you, Shelly Dell 781/545-1326.

100 Longwater Circle ~ Norwell, MA 02061 ~ 781/982-4202

Website ~ [www.sscps.org](http://www.sscps.org)

**School Closings will be announced on:**  
**WCVB-TV Channel 5, WFXT Fox 25, WHDH-TV Channel 7, WRKO AM 680**  
*Once opened for the day, school will remain open until the last student is picked up.*



# Lunch Order Form

## Complete one form for each child

Lunch for the Month of **January, 2005**

**Due to the Office by 3pm TUESDAY, December 21, 2004**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pod Teacher/Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please **Check off the day** lunch will be ordered and **Circle your selection**.

Week of (1/3-1/7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
	Sub	Pizza	Sub	Pizza	Sub
	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub
	Sandwich		Sandwich		Sandwich

Week of (1/10-1/14)	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
	Sub	Pizza	Sub	Pizza	Sub
	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub
	Sandwich		Sandwich		Sandwich

Week of (1/17-1/21)	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
	Pizza	Sub	Pizza	Sub
	# _____	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub
		Sandwich		Sandwich

Week of (1/24-1/28)	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
	Sub	Pizza	Sub	Pizza	Sub
	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub	# _____	1/2 sub
	Sandwich		Sandwich		Sandwich

Number of Subs/Sandwiches ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5  
 Number of 1/2 Subs ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3  
 Number of Pizza Slices ordered \_\_\_\_\_ X \$1.50

**Total Amount Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash or Checks may be made out to SSCPS.  
 Milk is not included with the meal and can be purchased each day for 25 cents.

**Use the Monthly Lunch Menu for specific Lunch selections.**

Lunch is ordered through Yanni's of Rockland

**Please Note:** If your Child has forgotten lunch, a Lunch (Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich and Milk) will be provided at the cost of \$2. A note from the Office will go home that afternoon for reimbursement.

Reduced Lunch of 40 cents a day\*       Free Lunch\*

\* Complete and return the Income Eligibility Form to use the lunch guidelines.

# Lunch Menu

## January

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
<p><i>3</i> Ham/ Cheese With Lettuce, Tomato, and Mayonnaise</p>	<p><i>4</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>5</i> Bologna/Cheese  With Mustard</p>	<p><i>6</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>7</i> Tuna Salad  With Lettuce and Tomato</p>
<p><i>10</i> Italian Cold Cut With Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles and Oil</p>	<p><i>11</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>12</i> Chicken Salad  With Lettuce</p>	<p><i>13</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>14</i> Cold Veggie With Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Cheese, Mayonnaise</p>
<p><i>17</i> NO SCHOOL</p>	<p><i>18</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>19</i> Turkey With Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato and Mayonnaise</p>	<p><i>20</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>21</i> Tuna Salad  With Lettuce and Tomato</p>
<p><i>24</i> <b>BLT</b> Bacon, Lettuce, Tomato and Mayonnaise</p>	<p><i>25</i> Cheese Pizza</p>	<p><i>26</i> Salami/Cheese With Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles and Oil</p>	<p><i>27</i> <b>Cheese Pizza</b></p>	<p><i>28</i> Cold Veggie With Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Cheese, Mayonnaise</p>

# January 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 New Year's Day
2	3 Classes Resume	4	5 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Coffee 8:15am	6	7	8
Exhibition of Mastery – Level 5 & 6						
			Education Committee 3:30pm			
9	10  Strategic Plan Meeting Cohasset 6:30pm	11	12 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Coffee 8:15am  OPEN HOUSE 5:00-7:00pm	13 Level 2 to MFA  Parent Association 7-9pm	14  Intent to Return Mailed	15
16	17  No School  <i>Martin Luther King Day</i>	18	19	20	21	22
Mid Term Exams – Level 5 & 6						
		Financial Aid Night 7:00pm	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Coffee 8:15am			High School Outing
23	24  School Council 3:30	25  Full Faculty 3:30	26  K's Parent Coffee 8:15am	27	28  Ski Trip Level 3 and 4	29
30	31					