

Superintendent's Email Update

January 10, 2012

Dear Members of the Scituate School community:

It is an honor to serve for the next six months as Scituate's Interim Superintendent. During the coming months, I am hoping to increase communication and outreach to the public through a biweekly email blast to the public. This communication is intended to make it easier for parents and community members to find out what is going on in Scituate, particularly if parents want to take their children to a weekend athletic event or arts performance involving our students. The update will also give us a new forum to celebrate the many achievements of our students and educators. I would like to encourage Scituate educators and coaches to send a brief write-up each week for inclusion in our new email blast.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide support in your experience with the Scituate Schools in anyway.

Sincerely,

Jim Kelleher

Upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012

Elementary - Early Release Day - No PM Kindergarten

Cushing School Drama Performance – Grades K-3

The Shoemaker and the Elves was a huge success! Thursday evening, January 5, 2012, marked the start of what we hope will be a tradition at Cushing School. For the first time, a Grades K-3 drama performance became a part of our school culture!

Congratulations go to our fabulous performers: Henry Sherman, Halle McCormack, Nora Dawley, Cait Kennedy, Emma Smith, Celia Mahoney, Ella Bentley, Hailey Belval, Stephanie Livingstone, Bailey Maescher, Emily Norton, Caroline Mahoney, Marli Pearl, Jordan Tripp, Abby Spires, Sarah Spires, Reily Sheehan, Faith Ryan, Madeline Bulman, Isabel Jarnot, Jane Feeney, Emma Dawber, Anna Feeney, Clare Kennedy, Anna Kelly, Charlotte Bentley, Curran Murphy, Timothy Lochiatto, Nick Tierney, Oliver Sherman, Luke Tierney, Keira Morley, Mia Piaseckyj, Jasmine Lanata, Rory Simpson-Brown, Elisabeth Green and Abby Lochiatto for a FABULOUS PERFORMANCE! Kudos also go to Peter Virtue, Grade 6, for his help with props and the beautiful fireplace that was on stage during the performance.

The performance also could not have taken place without the wonderful direction of Mrs. Dawn Rota and Ms. Kate Martin, Cushing School Teachers, who have dedicated their time and energy over the years to all of our drama performances not just this production of *The Shoemaker and the Elves*. Assisting Mrs. Rota and Ms. Martin were our wonderful parent and grandparent volunteers Mrs. Beth Tierney, Mrs. Maura Dawley, Mrs. Nancy MacDonald and Mr. Jack Mac Donald, Ms. Kim Spires, Mrs. April Tripp and Mrs. Amy Maescher. Also a special thanks to Cushing School Graduates, Roger Dawley and Aisling Sheahan, who returned to our school to assist Mrs. Rota and Ms. Martin as choreographers, stage managers and so much more! Helping out backstage during the performance were Cushing

Teachers Mrs. Linda Reimels, Mrs. Ellen Davis, Mrs. Heather O'Toole and another Cushing School Graduate, Ms. Kristen Reimels! Bravo to all!

Music

Students were accepted to the annual Massachusetts Music Educators Association Southeastern Senior District Music Festival (Grades 9-12) to be held this weekend in Easton at Oliver Ames High School. In the past 30 years, Scituate this is the largest number of students we've ever had accepted. Equally, 9 of these students earned the distinction of being invited to audition for the MMEA Allstate Music Festival which culminates in a performance at Symphony Hall In Boston in March. There were also 8 SHS students who were chosen the MMEA JUNIOR District Music Festival (Grades 7-9). This is also our biggest number of acceptances ever.

Charles Ahl, Chorus; Richard Arnold, Band; Olivia Branton, Chorus; Michela Doherty, Chorus; Leah Donnelly, Orchestra; Jack Duff, Band; Max Fenton, Orchestra; Jane Humphrey, Chorus; John Kahrs, Chorus; Andrew Lemieux, Chorus; Caitlin Monahan, Chorus; John Ohrenberger, Band; Alaina Reinhardt, Chorus; Chris Robotham, Jazz Band; Josh Strake, Band; Kelly Vickers, Band; Bridget Wood, Chorus.

SHS Kudos

Congratulations to the following students who took place in the DECA Marketing Competition last week. The students will be competing against other high schools within this region. Students will be assessed on their knowledge of Marketing and Finance by taking two exams and be assessed on their ability to problem solve two case studies and effectively present their solutions in a role play format in front of a judge. The students have been working hard to prepare for this event for the past couple months: John Canfield; Kate Lemire; Grady Comeau; Sara Cox; Dan DelGrosso; Chris Durkin; Haley Evans; Paul Finnegan; Megan Gallagher; Laura Haselman; Sydney Heger; Anna Kinzel; Rachel Morel; Rebecca Mullin; Jack O'Donoghue; Brendan O'Neil; Marina Pedini; Molly Peters; Mike Soucey; Wesley Swain; Whitney Swain; Mike Barnard; Mary Mulcahy; Andrew Don; Madison Hannon; Mike Leonard; Erin Gerhard; John Foster; Cam Foley; Amanda Gillespie.

District Athletics

Congratulations to Dean Walter, Swim/Dive Team member who finished first in the 500 freestyle and the one meter dive and Jack Duff who was first in the 200 individual and the 100 breast stroke. The Scituate boys swim team won 56 to 33 over Quincy. And, congratulations to Jody Walls, Josh Blacker, Emily Podurgiel and Kendra Miller who also did well during the swim meet.

Congratulations to the Scituate Sailor Varsity Hockey team for finishing 2nd at the Canal Classic in Bourne, MA.

Recognition goes out to the Lady Sailors Basketball team for their win in the Holiday Tournament. Special recognition goes to Megan Otto, Kelly Martin, Shannon Brady and Annie Miller.

HOME Games this week:

Tuesday, January 10th

3:30 pm Boys Freshman Basketball vs. Duxbury
5:00 pm Boys Junior Varsity Basketball vs. Duxbury
6:30 pm Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Duxbury

Wednesday, January 11th

5:00 pm Coed Varsity Track vs. Middleboro

6:10 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Quincy High School at Hobomock Ice Arena
7:00 pm Boys Varsity Wrestling vs. Hanover

Thursday, January 12th

4:00 pm Coed Varsity Swimming vs. Duxbury

Friday, January 13th

3:30 pm Girls Freshman Basketball vs. Middleboro

5:00 pm Girls Junior Varsity Basketball vs. Middleboro

6:30 pm Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Middleboro

Saturday, January 14th

3:10 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. N. Quincy High School at Hobomock Ice Arena