More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

September 14, 2018

Upcoming events:

Fri, Sept. 14 -Sat, Sept. 15	Girls V'ball St. Thomas the Apostle Tourney
Mon, Sept. 17-Thu, Sept 27	Iowa Testing
Tuesday, Sept. 18	Girls V'ball @ St. Margaret Mary
Thursday, Sept. 20	Girls V'ball @ St. Laurence
Thursday, Sept. 20	Cross Country @ St. Mary's Sycamore
Friday, Sept. 21	7/8 Grade Dance @ St. Mary's 7-10 PM

Interactive Texas Visit

The third grade students in Mrs. Varley's class got to visit with another third grade class that was in a town just outside of Austin, TX! Approximately 1,080 miles away as Mrs. Varley explained to both classes. Thanks to using Google Hangouts, a program like Skype, the two classes were able to see and hear each other. The two teachers read the same book to each other's class taking turns reading pages. Both third grade classes enjoyed the experience and kept waving to each other. It was an educational and fun classroom presentation for everyone!

Iowa Testing Starts Monday

Tackling the Test

Parents, you can help prepare your students by making sure **they get enough sleep** each night, **eat a healthy breakfast** each morning, and are **on time** for school!

Election Results

Last Tuesday the third through eighth grade students all got to vote for the Student Council board. Our winners are Luciano and Jimmy as co-presidents, Charlie as vice-president, Mariah as treasurer, and Lilly as secretary. We wish them all congratulations and look forward to the great things they will accomplish this school year!

Hallway Update

STM's preschool and kindergarten students have a refreshed hallway greeting them each day. Over the summer the area got a facelift! A warm color was added to the walls. Cubbies were installed for the expanding preschool program too. The cubbies are the perfect size for preschoolers to keep their backpacks and coats, so they are prepared for a day of fun and learning.

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From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,
This past week we held Student Council elections here at school. We now officially have a Student Council board and class representatives. The third grade class also took a virtual trip to Texas! Using Google Hangouts the third graders were able to share a book and activity with another class in Texas. Just a reminder that this upcoming week is the ITBS testing for grades 2 - 8. Please make sure your child is well rested and prepared. Parents, you can help prepare your students for the Iowa tests by making sure they get enough sleep each night, eat a healthy breakfast each morning, and are on time for school. We appreciate your support in helping our students be successful. Also a reminder that the school has a Facebook page that will show more pictures of events that occur at school. Please be sure to Follow Us! Have a wonderful and restful weekend.

Blessings,
Mrs. Sonja Keane

St. Thomas More

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Have you ever thought about becoming an Altar Server? We would welcome your help. If you have the desire to serve and are able to make the commitment to being trained and to assist at Mass on a regular basis please fill out this form and turn it in to the office.

Your commitment includes serving at least once a month, as well as other times as needed. You will also be expected to attend the altar server training sessions.

Altar Server Contact Info:

Name:_____

Address:_____

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Email:_____

Phone:_____

School:_____

Grade:_____

Which Masses do you prefer to be scheduled for?

5:00 pm Saturday _____

8:00 am Sunday _____

10:00 am Sunday _____

12:00 pm Sunday _____

No Preference _____

*If you can serve at various times, please check all that apply.

Permission to serve from the parents of the server:

I understand that my son/daughter is requesting training as an altar server and I will help him/her to fulfill this responsibility. He/she has my permission to become a server.

_____

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Altar Server Training Dates

5th- 8th Grade STM School Students
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17,2018
2:50-4:30 PM IN CHURCH

5th- 8th Grade R.E. Students
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018
4:30-6:00 PM IN CHURCH

Please bring this flyer on your training day

For Questions: Maria Mesina 847 751-0027

DISCOVERY

FOREIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION

921 Apple Dr., Schaumburg, IL 60194/Phones: (847) 843-2457/Fax (847) 843-2732
e-mail: discoverylp@msn.com

ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL CD ORDER FORM

Dear Parents and Students. The Spanish classes at your school are offered by Discovery Language Programs. Each student has received a workbook from his/her Spanish teacher. Discovery also has CD's that correspond to each workbook and are an excellent tool for home reinforcement. You can order a CD by returning this form to your child's Spanish teacher along with your payment. CD's will be shipped directly to school and distributed to students who have ordered them.

STUDENT'S NAME _____

GRADES 1ST- 4TH QUE PASA PEQUENOS_____
GRADES 5TH – 8TH QUE PASA 1 _____

PAYMENT OPTION: ____check ___Visa ___MC ____Discover _____Amex

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO DISCOVERY

CD $10.00 each x number of CD's: _____ x $10.00 = _____

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION:

Name of cardholder: _____

Street _____

City _____State/Zip _____

Number: _____

Expiration: _____ Signature: _____

Card Code_____

ALL PAYMENTS DUE BY October 10, 2018

Chess Scholars

Fall 2018

St Thomas More Elementary

No Experience Needed

Trophy
Medals
Chess Belts!

GRADES K–8

Develop your child's intellect through the fun game of chess! Current research has shown a strong link between chess and academic performance in a variety of areas, including mathematics and language arts. Also, chess has been proven to enhance motivation, concentration, focus, social skills, and creativity.

No previous knowledge of chess is necessary. Each class will consist of a fun, interactive teaching period and guided practice time. Both new and returning participants are welcome and will get to the next level under the guidance of an experienced Chess Scholars coach. There will also be a chess competition with prizes towards the end of the session! Each child will receive a participation medal and a chess keychain.

Course Time: *Tuesdays, October 9th - November 20th, 2:50 PM - 3:50 PM*

(7 Classes)

To sign up for Chess Scholars, please visit ***https://www.chessscholars.com/signup.***

You will need to enter the class code ***STM10.9.18*** *in order to register. Please register by 9/29 for the early bird price of $105.00.*

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Chess Scholars at 847-482-9999 or info@chessscholars.com

No refunds will be made, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for inclement weather or circumstances beyond our control. It's the parents' responsibility to remind the children about the classes.

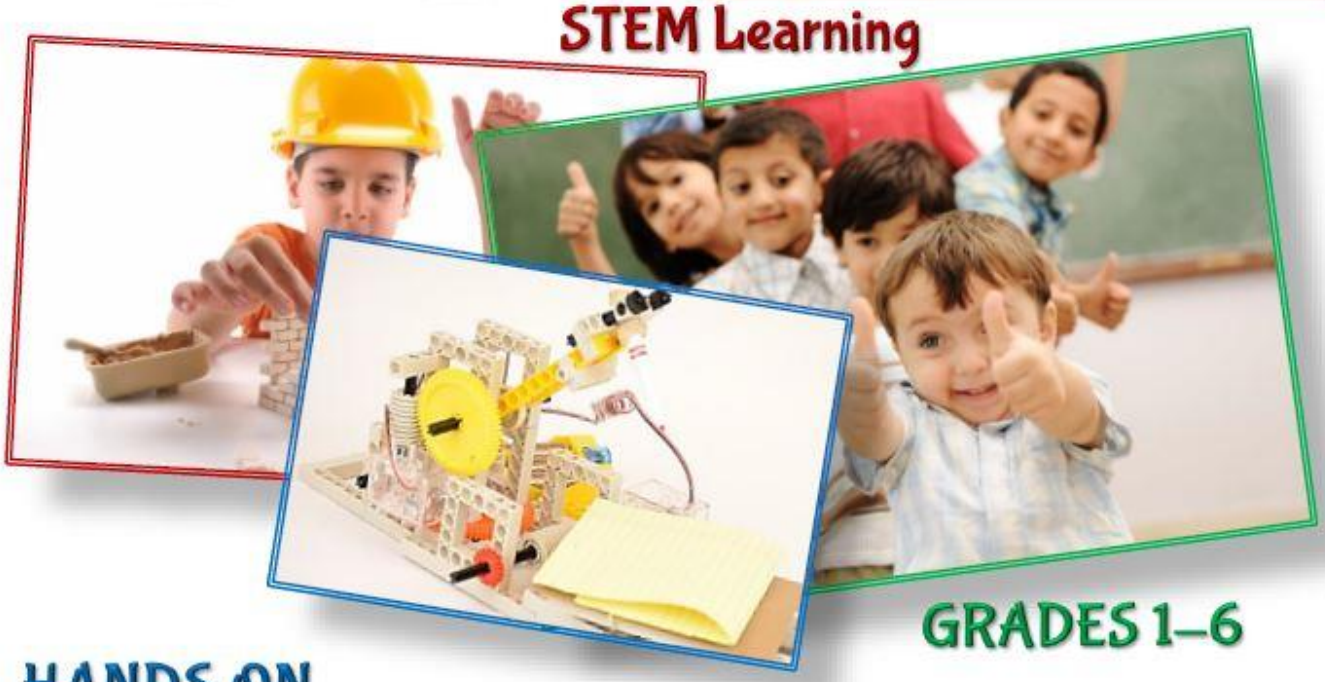
Online registration only! Please do not bring the payment to the school office!

Let's Build It Engineering!

Fall 2018

St Thomas More Elementary

STEM Learning



GRADES 1–6

HANDS ON

Enter into the fascinating world of robotics. In this exciting STEAM program, students will design, build and test their very own robots under the guidance of an experienced AES instructor. Projects include remote control cars, claws, cranes, crawlers, and battle bots. Educational components include gear ratios, mechanical design, electronics, and robotics engineering. No previous experience is necessary, just a desire to have fun, build, and learn. Each student will receive an award on the last day of the session, and have the opportunity to earn Energy Belts to demonstrate their learned skills!

Course Time: *Fridays, September 28th - November 16th, 2:50 PM - 3:50 PM*

No class: 10/5, 11/2 (6 Classes)

To sign up, please visit https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup.

You will need to enter the class code STM9.28.18 in order to register. Please register by 9/18 for the early bird price of $101.50.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or info@learningmeansfun.com

No refunds will be made, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for inclement weather or circumstances beyond our control. It's the parents' responsibility to remind the children about the classes.

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Afterschool Art:

MY ART

Grades 1-3

Mrs. Kelly Lockard, artist, preschool aide, school volunteer, substitute teacher, and mother of 2 STM students and one former STM student, is offering an afterschool art enrichment class for Fall 2018. We will explore various art mediums including pastels, mixed media, printmaking and more!

SPACE IS LIMITED!

ONLY 10 SPOTS AVAILABLE!

WHEN: Tuesdays 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

September 25 - November 13

WHERE: STM art room (John Fisher room)

COST: $80 for 8 weeks

Please turn in the registration form found below with a check to Kelly Lockard by Friday, September 21. Questions? : Contact Kelly at kelly.j.lockard@gmail.com.

Name _____ Grade _____

Name _____ Grade _____

Name _____ Grade _____

Guardian/parent name(s) _____

Guardian/parent phone number(s) _____

Emergency contact name & phone number _____

Email address(es)_____

Please circle one: Parent pick-up Aftercare Other_____

Afterschool Art Enrichment attn: Kelly Lockard

Afterschool Art

GRADES 4-8

Mrs. Kelly Lockard, artist, preschool aide, school volunteer, substitute teacher, and mother of 2 STM students and one former STM student, is offering an afterschool art enrichment class for Fall 2018. We will explore various art mediums including collage, mixed media, printmaking and more!

WHEN: Wednesdays 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

SPACE IS LIMITED!

September 26 – November 14

ONLY 15 SPOTS AVAILABLE!

(NO CLASS October 31 – Halloween)

WHERE: STM art room (John Fisher room)

COST: $70 for 7 weeks

Please turn in the registration form found below with a check to Kelly Lockard by Friday, September 21. Questions? : Contact Kelly at kelly.j.lockard@gmail.com.

Name _____ Grade _____

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Emergency contact name & phone number _____

Email address(es)_____

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STM Co-Ed Cheerleading

For 2nd-8th graders
Help cheer on the basketball teams!

When:

- Practices will start Wednesday, October 3rd
- Practices will be Wednesdays and Fridays after school until 4 PM
- Monday practices will be added if needed
- Games start in November

What to wear to practice:

- T-shirt and shorts
- Clean gym shoes
- Hair pulled back

Cost: $20 (includes cheer bow and t-shirt)

<u>All athletes need a sports physical, copy of insurance card, and a signed sports waiver (found on the school website)</u>

Waivers and checks are due by Sept. 26th to the school office.

Any questions?
Contact Melissa Manganiello
(847)401-5975
melmo1696@hotmail.com