# **More News**

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

August 28, 2020

#### **Father Browning Blesses STM**

To start the school year off Father Browning on the first day of school walked around the entire school building, inside and out, to bless all the students, teachers, staff, classrooms, and school grounds with holy water and prayers for a blessed and fruitful school year.















#### TONIGHT!!

Don't miss the chance to "meet" STM's teachers and hear about all the exciting things planned for their classrooms this year.

Check SchoolSpeak after 6 pm for links to our digital *Back to School Night*.

Don't delay. The links are available for a limited time.





### From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

I would like to remind all of you that our virtual Back to School Night is tonight beginning at 6 PM. If you have not already attended, please log onto your School Speak account and follow the links in the Announcements section. Your support of our school and your child's education is what makes this school so wonderful. I truly believe in the partnership between home and school. We began this school year with our pastor, Fr. Browning, blessing the entire school, students, staff, and grounds. What a fantastic way to start the year! We also started the school year off with a backpack tag blessing for all our students by our pastor, Fr. Browning. This year our All School Masses will be on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 AM. The entire school, remote and in the building, will attend virtually. We hope you can join us! This past week grades 5 - 8 and the remote learners received their school accounts and began logging into Google Classroom with their teachers. Next week students in grades 1 - 4 will begin the process. Google Classroom is the platform grades 1 - 8 will be using in the school building and eLearning. Please be sure your child has all the school supplies that they need for this school year, including extra masks in their backpack in case of emergencies. Have a safe and wonderful weekend! May Christ keep you and yours safe.

Blessings, Mrs. Sonja Keane

## Virtual Enrichment





Chess Scholars/Afterschool Enrichment presents exciting online enrichment programs! The "All Access Pass" includes: **Chess, Spanish, STEM, Art** and **Drama**! Your child can jump into all five subject areas, or start with just one or two and add courses as you go! Online enrichment classes include:

- Live, interactive weekly sessions with expert instructors
  - Chess and STEM live sessions are divided by grade level.
- Video lessons with step by step instructions to complete hands-on projects
- Project workbooks to reinforce learning concepts
- Access to online Chess tournament play with other Chess Scholars students

Our live class times are held both in the morning and afternoon throughout the week to accommodate your schedules. Video lessons are available 24/7. Learning is Fun with these engaging enrichment programs!

You can also add the virtual MusicStart program to the Standard All-Access Pass above to bring out the musician in your child! MusicStart® is a keyboard-based music learning system that balances fun and development of skills. Using familiar songs, it teaches all the necessary basics to get started playing music. It has 4 instructive Attachments (overlays) that vary the challenge from color matching to letter matching to note matching and reading standard musical notation.

To learn more, please visit: afterschoolenrichmentsolutions.com

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**Session 1 Course Days:** Weekdays, August 31st - October 16th (7 Weeks)

Session 2 Course Days: Weekdays, October 19th - December 18th, no class 11/23 - 11/27 (8 Weeks)

**Live Course Times (both sessions):** Weekly live, 30-minute lessons available during morning and afternoons for each course. (Spanish is a 60-minute lesson. MusicStart is a 45-minute lesson. All other subjects are 30-minute lessons.)

A weekly schedule will be sent to enrolled participants the Friday prior to each week of the session.

To sign up, please visit https://www.learningmeansfun.com/signup. Late registrations are welcome!

Session 1 All-Access Pass Price: \$119.00 Session 1 All-Access Pass with MusicStart Lessons Price: \$175.00

Session 2 All-Access Pass Price: \$136.00 Session 2 All-Access Pass with MusicStart Lessons Price: \$200.00

All-Access Pass Course Code: AES20 All-Access Pass with MusicStart Lessons Course Code: AES20M

If you need assistance when registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansfun.com