

# St. Thomas the Apostle School Newsletter

November 10,  
2017



Dear STA Families,

Parent-teacher conferences are a week from today. We currently have 67% of our families signed up for their conferences. Please remember that you must attend a conference in order to receive your child's report card, and that there is NO school that day for conferences. You should have received a link from your child's teacher for you to use to sign up for a time.

We had our Veteran's Day program, high school fair, and hosted Big Shoulder's Lend a Shoulder Day this week, and all of the events were a success. Thank you to all of our teachers, staff, and parents who helped make these events happen, and the veterans for their service to our country.

Please make sure you continue to check your FACTS account and ensure that your account is active and you are up to date on your payments. Also make sure to log your service hours on Track It Forward.

Mr. Gallo

## Important Dates

***STA Advisory Board  
Committee Meeting  
– Wednesday,  
November 15 (7:00-  
8:00 AM)***

***Home and School  
Meeting –  
Wednesday,  
November 15***

***Parent Coffee with  
Mr. Gallo/Mrs.  
Damico – Thursday,  
November 16 (7:45-  
8:45 AM)***

***NO SCHOOL -  
Parent-Teacher  
Conferences –  
Friday, November 17  
(8:00 AM-6:00 PM)***

## Reach for the STArS

Thank you again to everyone who came to Porkchop last week to support Reach for the STArS! It was great to see everyone come together in support of our school. Porkchop donated 50% of all checks from STA supporters - a total donation of \$2,118.95! Their donation will go towards funding the playground.

Remember to "share" our school's Reach for the STArS Facebook posts on your page! You can also share the on-line giving link with friends and family interested in supporting our school and the campaign for the playground: [Reach for the STArS](#).

Did you get your STA car magnet this morning? We are excited to see our STA families driving through the parking lot with their magnets on their cars! If you did not get one this morning, you may pick one up for your family in the school office. Thank you for your support!



## Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher conferences are coming up on Friday, November 17 from 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. All families must attend conferences in order to receive your child's report card. You will sign up for conferences on PTC Fast, and your teachers will send you a link for you to sign up for your 15 minute time slot. Please remember that there is NO school that day for conferences. All families should plan on having their conference on Friday.

Our middle school teachers will have the last 15 minutes of every hour (for example, 1:45-2:00) open for any parents who have a

## Parent Volunteer Opportunities

**AM and PM Parking Lot Duty**

**Assist the Pre-K and K students at lunch (11:00-12:00 daily)**

**Check for other opportunities on Track It Forward**

question for a teacher that is not their child's homeroom teacher. Please feel free to stop by one of the middle school teacher's rooms during these time slots to ask them any questions you may have about your child's grade in this teacher's class.

## **STA Sports News**

Congratulations to our flag football team for finishing in second place in their league. Our Raiders made it to the championship game, where they lost a hard-fought game against Saint Margaret of Scotland 19-12. Their trophy is currently on display in our school office.

We now have coaches for our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade basketball team. This team will start practices on Tuesday. Their practices will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00-6:30 PM.



## **STA Wine Glasses**

There are a few St. Thomas wine glasses that are still for sale in the school office! The wine glasses cost \$5 each and can be purchased with cash or checks made out to "STA School Endowment Fund." All proceeds will directly support our school!

## **News for Home and School**

Next HSA meeting is 11/15/17 at 6:30pm in the Gym!! It is our Potluck Meeting please go to Track it Forward and sign up to bring something to share!! All are welcome and you earn 1 service hour for attending.

Next Parent Coffee Klatch with Mr. Gallo and Mrs. Damico is Thursday, 11/16 at 7:45am in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!!

### **BOOK FAIR**

- Sponsored by 57<sup>th</sup> Street Books!! November 15 – 17<sup>th</sup> in the Parrish Hall
- Schedule:
  - Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – 2pm to 6pm
  - Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – 7:30am to 9:30am and 3pm to 6pm
  - Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – all day (Parent Teacher Conference Day)

### **USED UNIFORM AND SPIRIT WEAR SALE**

- ALL DAY in GYM, 9am – 6pm 11/17/17 (Parent Teacher Conference Day)

### **SERVICE HOURS:**

So far this year we have 10 families that have completed their 20 service hours!! Remember to login into Track it Forward and sign up for service hours!!



### **General Notes**

- I have several meetings next week out of the building. Please contact Mrs. Damico if you need to speak with an administrator during these times. The meetings are as follows:
  - Monday – Big Shoulders Fund Meeting – 8:00-9:30 AM
  - Tuesday – Tax Credit Scholarship and Tuition Setting Meeting (8:30-12:00), Archdiocesan Principal's Association Meeting (12:30-3:00)

○ Thursday – Principal’s Council Meeting (12:30-2:00)

- Students should not be bringing any fidget spinners or “slime” to school. We will confiscate any of these items if students bring them and return them to the child’s parent. Please make sure your child is not bringing these items to school.
- We are currently having our annual Thanksgiving food drive. We will be collecting canned goods through November 15. Send items in with your child to be donated.
- We will have an all-school Mass on Tuesday. Ms. Mattina’s 1st grade will lead Mass.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [tgallo@stapostleschool.com](mailto:tgallo@stapostleschool.com)