

St. Thomas the Apostle School Newsletter

November 17,
2017



Dear STA Families,

I want to thank all of our families for coming today to parent-teacher conferences. These meetings are crucial in continuing to develop a strong parent-teacher relationship, which helps all of our students be successful. We had 96% of families signed up for conferences as of today! Please remember that you can not get your child's report card until you have a conference.

I also want to thank all of the families who contributed to our Thanksgiving food drive, and to our committee of teachers for planning this service project. Remember that we have no school Wednesday through Friday of next week to celebrate Thanksgiving.

With the short week next week, I will not be sending a newsletter next Friday, but you will likely receive a shorter email with some reminders. Have a great Thanksgiving!

Mr. Gallo

Important Dates

Thanksgiving Break
– NO SCHOOL –
Wednesday-Friday,
November 22-24

Reach for the STArS
Ends – Tuesday,
November 28

Spirit
Day/Community
Celebration – Friday,
December 1

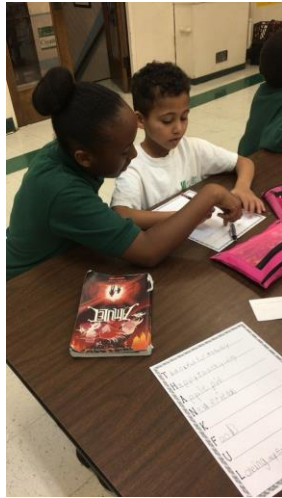
Advent Prayer
Service – Monday,
December 4 (8:05
AM)

7th/8th Grade
Science Fair –
Wednesday,
December 6

Reach for the STArS

Reach for the STArS is going on now. I hope everyone stopped by our table to pick a STAr cookie on your way to and from conferences. 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? 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!



Upcoming Events in December

We will be very busy at STA once we return from Thanksgiving break. Below is a breakdown of important upcoming dates for December so families can stay on top of what is coming up:

- Reach for the STArS ends – Tuesday, 11/28
- Spirit Day/Community Celebration – Friday, 12/1
- Catholic High School Entrance Exam – Saturday, 12/2
- Advent Prayer Service – Every Monday morning starting 12/4
- Science Fair and St. Nicholas Day – Wednesday, 12/6
- Free Hearing and Vision Screenings – Monday-Wednesday, 12/11-12/13
- Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, 12/16
- STA Christmas Program – Wednesday, 12/20

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

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

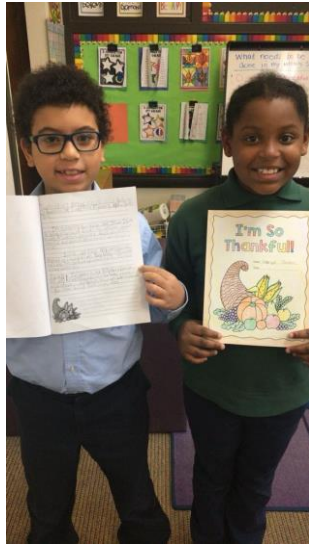
Breakfast with Santa is December 16th from 9am - 11:30am in the Gym!! Tickets includes breakfast, face painting, crafts, cookie decorating and a picture with Santa!!

Adults \$10
Children \$12

Pre -Sales only please see order form attached!!

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

- 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. Mrs. Melachrinidis’s 8th grade will lead Mass.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at tgallo@stapostleschool.com