



ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH SCHOOL
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From your Principal...

Dear STM Families,

Oktoberfest is right around the corner. Providing the school meets our raffle ticket sales goal, the students will have a school holiday on Monday, October 22nd. Here are some incentives to encourage ALL students and families to sell their tickets!

- Sell your ticket quota (\$200.00) and get free dress Monday – Thursday the week before Oktoberfest (10/15 – 10/19)
- The class that sells the most tickets will receive a party
- Grade Level that sells the most tickets will get popsicles
- Prizes for the top seller will be awarded at the Pep Rally after Oktoberfest.

Here is a great tip from Love & Logic, [What to do If Rules and Consequences Don't Work](#)

Have a good evening.

[Library News](#)

Yours in Christ,

Kristen Thome
Principal

Homecoming Week...



It's Homecoming Week

Help us celebrate our school spirit with special activities planned by the STM Cheerleaders:

Tuesday: "Twin Day" – find a friend and dress alike
Home Soccer game vs. SVDP –
Kona Ice will be here after school for purchase

Wednesday: "Spirit Day" – wear a red STM spirit shirt with uniform bottoms; bring \$1 and wear crazy socks! Donation will be in support of our BETA Club fundraiser. (donation not necessary to wear your STM Spirit Shirt)
Home Volleyball game vs SVDP

Thursday: "Character Day" – dress as your favorite book or movie character for students in PK3–5th;
"Athletes vs Mathletes" – dress as your favorite athlete or brainiac for students in 6th–8th

Friday: There is no place like Homecoming Middle School Dance 7:30pm–9:30pm (note time correction) – Servant Hall. Tickets may be purchased from students homeroom teacher for \$5.00. Appropriate attire required – dress to impress – no jeans!

Oktoberfest News...

Oktoberfest is less than two weeks way. There are many ways you can get involved.

- *Sign up to work a shift at a booth. Click [here](#) to sign up.
- *Buy a book of raffle tickets. Someone will win...it could be YOU!
- *Sponsor an Oktoberfest food or game booth. Click [here](#) to see which booths need your help.
- *Start collecting items for the Rummage Sale
- *Decide which sweet treats you are baking for the Sweet Shoppe and Cake Walk
- *Donate a couple of boxes of "Movie Theatre" size candy for the Candy Store
- *Donate "Gently Loved" stuffed animals

***Do you have a green thumb....donate plants for the Plant Booth**

***We are also looking for new games and toys for the Plinko Booth...do you have a game or child's toy you could donate?**

The Pizza Food Booth is looking for a chairperson. Are you interested? Everything will be provided...all you need to do is get some friends to help you sell the pizza. Pizza is a very popular booth at Oktoberfest. Please contact Kathy Prado at kprado@stmorenews.com for more information or to volunteer.

This weekend is Parish Raffle Sales Weekends. Students are encouraged to stop by after Mass and sell their raffle tickets. You are asked to wear your school uniform. Please contact Mrs. Warner at kwerner@stmorenews.com and let her know which Mass you would like to sell your raffle tickets.

We need EVERYONE'S help and support to make this year's Oktoberfest the best yet. Make sure and check out all the incentives listed above in the "*From Your Principal*" section. Thank you for all you do!

Middle School News...

Please see below for upcoming Catholic High School Open House dates.

St. Pius High School's Open House will be on Wednesday, October 17th at 6:30pm.

St. Agnes Academy will host Open House on Thursday, October 18th at 7:00pm.



Mark Your Calendars! **Incarnate Word Academy** will host an Open House on Sunday, November 4th from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. All middle school students and their parents/guardians are cordially invited to attend. There will be a keynote speech at 1:45 p.m. followed by guided tours where you can see our beautiful downtown campus and interact with faculty, staff, and students who love IWA! Visit www.incarnateword.org to register today!

Service Hour Opportunities

Campus Clean-Up Saturday – October 13th 8:00am – 11:00am – Sign up in the office, limited spots available, **no walk-ins allowed**
Oktoberfest Set-up – Friday October 19th – Moms, dads, middle school students, come help set-up booths!
Oktoberfest tear down – Sunday, October 21st @ 6:00pm – moms, dads, middle school students, all invited to help!!!

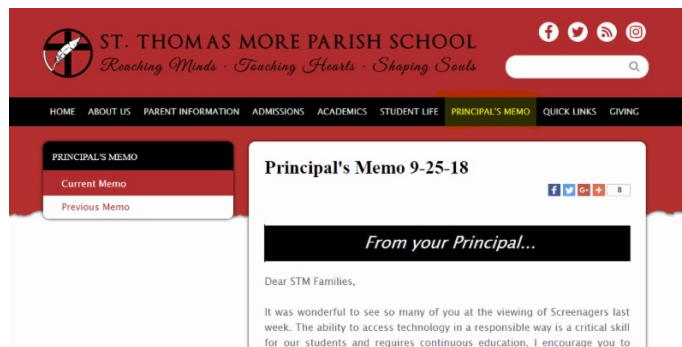
Upcoming Events...

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day will be here before you know it. This year our Grandparents Day Committee would like to mail invitations to our grandparents. We will pull this information from data in Renweb. Please log onto Renweb and add or update grandparent information if you would like an invitation to be mailed.

This & That...

Looking for previous Principals Memos? Current & previous memos are posted on the school website toolbar under Principals Memo.



PTO & PAWS News...

Please join us for our next PTO Dads Club Meeting **tonight** October 2nd. Meeting will be held in Donovan's Den at 6:15pm. All are welcome!



PTO is excited to announce the Grand Opening of our new online Spirit Store! You can purchase a variety of clothing and other items, to show your STM spirit! We have a school-approved water bottle that your kids can use in the classroom, and vinyl stickers to decorate notebooks, binders, anything! All items purchased will be delivered to your child's classroom after they are received from manufacturer. In order to offer more items, we are taking pre-orders for all garments. The initial order for garments will be placed on October 12th, so act now to have your order included with the first shipment! Link for store: <https://bit.ly/2xBEzfp>





Join us for our next STM Spirit Night to be held at *Tapester's Grill* this *Wednesday October 10th*. Tapesters Grill is located at 4520 Beechnut St, Houston, TX 77096

Club Information...

We have many clubs starting this month. Please see calendar below for dates and times.

Due to Homecoming Week activities, the Robotics Club will not meet this week. Meetings will resume as scheduled next week.

The Robotics Club is looking for a donation of any Legos for use. If you have any that your family is done with and can spare, please consider donating them to our Club.

Coming up at STM...

Wednesday, 10/10 -STM Spirit Day & Pep Rally

- Bring a \$1 donation and wear Crazy Sock
- 2:30pm – Pep Rally
- 3:30pm – 5:00pm – Soccer practice
- 4:30pm – Volleyball games vs. SVdP @ home C, JV & V
- 7:00am – 8:00pm – Tapesters Grill Spirit Day (4520 Beechnut St, Houston, TX 77096)

Thursday, 10/11 – Character Day

- 3:20pm – 4:30pm – Jr. Robotics Club

- 3:20pm – 4:00pm – 5th Grade Math Club
- 3:20pm – 4:15pm – Oktoberfest Spanish Dance Practice
- 4:30pm – Volleyball games vs. St. Laurence – away C, JV & V
- 4:30pm – Soccer games vs. St. Laurence – away JV & V –
(game location: Colony Bend Park, 2806 Planters St. 77479)

Due to Homecoming Character Day, make-up pictures and class pictures previously scheduled for October 11th, have been cancelled and will be rescheduled. We will announce the new date soon!

Friday, 10/12

- 7:30pm – 9:30pm Middle School Homecoming Dance – Servant Hall – Please note the time correction
- 3:30pm – 4:30pm – Pep Squad Practice
- 3:20pm – 4:10pm – Jr. High Art Club
- 4:30pm – Soccer games vs. JPll – away *Varsity will play first @4:30, JV @ 5:30*
- 3:20pm – 4:00pm – DUKE Tips

Monday, 10/15

- 3:20pm – 4:15pm – Animal Club
- 3:20pm – 4:00pm – AR Club
- 3:20pm – 4:30pm – Jr. Robotics Club
- 3:20pm – 4:15pm – Chess Club Grades 3–5
- 3:20pm – 4:00pm – French Poetry
- 4:30pm – Volleyball Game @ St. Michaels – C, JV & V

Tuesday, 10/16 – Spirit Day

- 3:20pm – 4:00pm Beta Club Tutoring
- 3:30pm – 5:30pm C & JV Volleyball Practice
- 3:30pm – 5:00pm V Volleyball Study Hall
- 5:00pm – 7:00pm V Volleyball Practice

**For details and a complete list of events, please refer to the [Family Calendar](#) & [Sports Calendar](#)*

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