Dear STM families,

This past week was Teacher Appreciation Week. I want to thank our PTO for all the treats and pampering they did for the teachers and staff this week. I also want to thank all the families and students for all the lovely thank you notes written to the teachers and staff. It made our days!

Last Tuesday we celebrated May Crowning as a school at the All School Mass. Our second graders were dressed in their First Communion outfits and two eighth graders crowned Mary. After Mass we had the 8th grade Ribbon Ceremony in church. We hope you were able to join us for these beautiful traditions. Please see the second page of the newsletter for some pictures.

This Monday night at 6 PM is our annual Sports Awards Night held in the gym. This year we held a competition on the design of the t-shirt given out. Students created t-shirt designs and then the teachers voted on them. Madison T.’s design won! This past Wednesday the teachers all wore the t-shirt to give the students a preview.

Today our 8th graders had their all-day retreat and then this Tuesday they leave for their trip to Washington D.C. We wish them safe travels!

Field Day this year is on June 6th. There is a sign-up link for volunteers on a flyer attached to this newsletter. Just click on it, fill it out, and Mrs. Rizzo will be contacting you. Please consider helping out at this fun event for our students. Thank you for all your continued support of our tremendous school! Have a vibrant weekend. Happy Mother’s Day!!!

Blessings,
Mrs. Sonja Keane

Upcoming events:
Friday, May 10  Muffins with Mom, STM Gym, 7:15 – 7:45 AM
Friday, May 10  8th Grade Retreat
Monday, May 13  Pops Ensemble Concert, 8:10 – 8:40 AM
Monday, May 13  Sports Awards Night, 6 PM
Tuesday, May 14  8th Grade Leaves for Washington, D.C.
Sunday, May 19  Mother/Son Event, Laser Tag & Arcade, 3-6 PM
Sunday, May 19  8th Grade Returns from Washington, D.C.

First Communion
This past weekend many of our second graders received their First Holy Communion. Over the next few weekends the rest will be receiving theirs. This is such a wonderful and blessed time in their lives. We congratulate them all on receiving this special sacrament.

On to State...
Last weekend STM was represented by six 7th grade students at the State Science Fair in Carbondale. The hardworking students were rewarded with the following accomplishments:
Joshua S., and Jeremy R.: Bronze
Azel M. and Natalie R.: Silver
Thomas S. and Frankie W.: Gold
Thomas and Frankie won a $100 prize from the Apple Dental Award as well!

State History Fair
Last week our 8th grade students went to Springfield, IL to compete in the State History Fair. We are so proud of all of them! Here are the results:
Superior Paper- Troy S.
Superior Documentary - Ella S., Ivy B.
Superior Group Performance- Brandon F. and Emily M.
Superior Group Exhibit - Brandon K. and Alex K.

Fine Arts Festival
Last week STM held its First Annual Fine Arts Festival. Students’ artwork created during the school year was on display for families, friends, neighbors, and students. Band director, Ms. Rome, directed three different school bands as they performed throughout the evening. Thank you to the art teacher, Mrs. Caughlin, for all her hard work that made the evening possible!
Thursday, June 6th
WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Please visit
Volunteer for Field Day to sign up
MOTHER AND SON

LASER TAG & ARCADE

SUNDAY | MAY 19 | 3–6PM

LAZERMAXX
941 MCLEAN BLVD. | ELGIN

$18 PER PERSON
INCLUDES: 30 MINUTES OF LASER TAG, 20 TOKENS, PIZZA, POP, RAFFLE PRIZES

RETURN ATTACHED FORM & PAYMENT BY THURSDAY | MAY 16
LAZER MAXX

The event will start off by enjoying pizza and raffle prizes. Then we will be splitting into groups. One half will play 30 minutes of laser tag while the other half will play in the arcade. When time is up, we will switch. Pre-school students are too little to play laser tag, but they can pay $5 for pizza and pop. Tokens can be purchased for them to play in the arcade.

Last Name ____________________________________________
Child(s) Name ____________________________________________
No. of attendees ________ Pre-school student(s) (no laser tag) ________

Choice of drink per person:

Pepsi ________ Diet Pepsi ________ Sierra Mist ________
Water ________ Root Beer ________ Apple Juice ________

Choice of pizza per person:

Regular: Cheese ________ Sausage ________ Pepperoni ________
Gluten Free: Cheese ________ Sausage ________ Pepperoni ________

Please return this sheet with payment by Thursday, May 16 2019.
Final Band Concert
When: Tuesday, May 21st 6pm
Where: Wing Park Band Shell

Featuring Students From:
St. Catherine of Siena, St. Charles Borromeo, The Einstein Academy, Elgin Academy, St. John’s Lutheran, St. Joseph’s, St. Laurence, St. Mary’s, St. Thomas More

Ms. Rebeca Rome and Ms. Maxine Lange-Directors
PRESS RELEASE

ELGIN ELKS FREE CHILDREN'S ORTHOPEDIC CLINIC

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019

The Elgin Elks 737 Lodge in cooperation with the Illinois Elks Children’s Care Corporation and Sherman Hospital will sponsor a free children's orthopedic assessment clinic on Monday, May 13, 2019. The clinic is from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and is by appointment only. To make an appointment call the Illinois Elks Children's Care office at 1-800-272-0074 between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. There are no charges for any services at this clinic.

The Elks will hold the clinic at the Sherman Hospital, 1425 North Randall Road in Elgin. Dr. Vincent Canestra will be the clinician in charge. The hours for the clinic are 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

No medical referral is necessary for the clinic but physicians are welcome to refer patients to the clinic for a specific reason or second opinion. School nurses are welcome to refer children and families to the clinic.

The Elks Organization has been working with physically challenged children since 1928 and this is one of the 16 clinic locations throughout Illinois. The clinic is an ideal time to have a child reviewed for bone and joint development. If your child has feet pointing out or in who complains of back, knee, leg, ankle pain or has a back curvature can be seen at this clinic. There is no charge for any diagnostic services at this clinic. The Elks will provide financial assistance to the best of their ability for children needing further treatment or specialty equipment when the family lacks sufficient resources to do so. In the past, the Elks have purchased therapy services, corrective shoes, braces, wheelchairs and augmentative communication devices to help children overcome a variety of physical challenges.
FREE

Children’s Orthopedic Clinic

Does your child:

• Complain of leg, knee, shoulder, elbow or wrist pain?
• Complain about back pain? • Seem clumsy or falls?

Monday, May 13, 2019 - 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
(By Appointment Only)

Vincent Cannestra, Physician

Held at:
Sherman Hospital
1425 Randall Rd. – Elgin, IL

Please Call 1-800-272-0074
Between 9 and 4 M-F to register for clinic.

Sponsored by:
Illinois Elks Children’s Care Corporation
Elgin Elks Lodge 737
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1ST ANNUAL FUNDRAISER RUN FOR THE STUDENTS AND STAFF OF ST. CHARLES BORROMEO!

MAY 11, 2019
HAMPSTEAD FOREST PRESERVE

$25.00

FREE KIDS RUN AT 9AM WITH THE 5K STARTING AT 9:30.

PACKET PICK UP WILL BE AVAILABLE ON MAY 10 AT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO SCHOOL AND ON RACE MORNING.

T-SHIRT AND MEDAL WILL BE INCLUDED WITH ALL PARTICIPANTS.

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO THE WEBSITE FOR REGISTRATION

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Car Wash

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT ST. THOMAS MORE CUB SCOUT PACK 67

Sunday, May 19th
Noon to 3 pm

St. Thomas More Catholic School
215 Thomas More Dr.
Elgin, IL 60123

Suggested Donation:
Cars $5
Trucks/SUVs $8

Questions?
Contact
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FRIDAY & SATURDAY
May 31-June 1, 2019
Fri: 5-9pm Sat: 9am-12:30pm

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Elgin Bears
Football & Cheer

2019 Registration

Football

$275
For returning players

$315
For New players. Includes game jersey.

March 9th, June 8th & June 22nd
Drake Field - 10:00am-12:00pm

Cheer

$60
For Returning Cheerleaders

$180 For new participants. Includes uniform.

NEW!

All families will be responsible for a $50 league raffle fundraiser

For Questions Contact: Registration Committee at - eyfl@elginbears.org

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dentist by 1™

Has your child been to the dentist?
Children should visit the dentist by age 1.

Schedule a FREE dental exam today for children age 5 and younger!

What:  Free preventive and diagnostic services such as exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants and X-rays

When:  Saturday, August 10, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Where:  Elgin Community College
Dental Assisting Clinic
1700 Spartan Dr.
Elgin, IL 60123

Who:  Children age 5 and younger

This visit will satisfy the mandatory dental screening required to enter kindergarten.

To schedule your appointment, visit dentistby1.com/Illinois, call 630-718-4844 or email LCarlin@deltadentallil.com.

Appointments can be made until Wednesday, August 7. Dental visits without an appointment will be limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

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