



# St. Thomas More Catholic School

A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE



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Week Ahead: January 12, 2018

Dear STM Families,

We thank Mr. David Schumaker, B-Quick Convenience Store, Greenwell Springs for nominating St. Thomas More Catholic School for the **ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Grant** for \$500. We sincerely appreciate your nomination and most generous gift.

Please join us in thanking Jack Broussard (STM Alum) for working with STM parents, former parents, alums and Men's Club to paint the school parking lot spaces over the holidays as his Eagle Scout project. This could not have been completed without the help of Gerrin Schwartz, Davy Sledge, Carl Gibson, Jeremy Broussard, Ben Rawls, David Broussard, Jeremy Broussard, Warren Broussard, Ed Alumbaugh, Grant Alumbaugh, Chris Alumbaugh, Nicholas Robert, Todd Saucier, Ron Findish, and Rene Mire. Please thank Sherwin Williams for donating all supplies. We sincerely appreciate all that you do every day in support of STM.

Congratulations to our second quarter principal's list and honor students (attached). Please refer to the handbook for academic honor criteria.

### **Fun Run Boosterthon Information from Jennifer Corey and Theresa Gibson:**

Welcome to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fun Run! The Fun Run is our only fundraiser for St. Thomas More Catholic School. It's a 9-day program that kicked off with a Pep Rally held at morning assembly! Your child came home yesterday with information on how to log in and families will then gather pledges for every lap your child runs (30-35 laps). We will then celebrate at the Fun Run on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to raise \$35,000 for improvement of playground equipment and technology. We have asked the Fun Run experts at Boosterthon to power our Fun Run and make it more profitable, easier, and fun.

Students will experience an amazing character theme, **CASTLE QUEST!**, an English castle theme all about being brave and living with character. On their quest to regain Bravemore Castle, students will learn the "SIX VIRTUES of a TRUE HERO" from a cast of colorful characters. (View the short video on **CASTLE QUEST!** [click here – Hey, Parents](#)).

Parents, thank you all so much for supporting this year's Fun Run. If you haven't registered your student yet, you can do so this weekend on [funrun.com](http://funrun.com) by searching for our school or using our school's registration code: 845-685. This weekend we have a special challenge where students can receive an additional reward when you get new pledges. You can learn more on [funrun.com](http://funrun.com). Thank you again for supporting our school!

### **January Service Project:**

January 29 – February 3, 2018 is Catholic Schools Week. This year's theme is Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed. Each year during Catholic Schools Week, the Diocese asks Catholic schools to participate in collecting donations for Catholic Charities. St. Thomas More is collecting kitchen supplies. Examples of items needed are gift cards, pots and pans, rice cookers, dishes, cookware, silverware, cooking utensils, cookie sheets,

casserole pans, storage containers, can openers, and mixing serving bowls. We will collect items from January 11-30. Thank you for your participation!

### **Virtue of the Quarter: Understanding**

Understanding is the second of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit enumerated in Isaiah 11:2-3, behind only wisdom. It differs from wisdom in that wisdom is the desire to contemplate the things of God, while understanding allows us, as Fr. John A. Hardon writes in his Modern Catholic Dictionary, to "penetrate to the very core of revealed truths." (Scott P. Richert)

### **Classroom Activities:**

Physical Education is starting our volleyball unit for K - 8th grade. Students are given the opportunity to work on the fundamental skills as well develop a basic understanding of game play.

First grade will be learning about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Social Science. Students are creating their own dreams.

In Spanish class 5<sup>th</sup> grade is learning about and playing with the numbers 0 to 100! 6<sup>th</sup> grade is reviewing the Spanish subject pronouns and creating sentences with the verb SER (to be) and adjectives in order to describe occupations. 7<sup>th</sup> grade is reviewing the verbs SER and ESTAR and creating sentences for each verb. How are they different? When do we use them? 8<sup>th</sup> grade is reviewing AR verbs. These are verbs that end in AR and follow a simple rule for us to conjugate them. Let's construct sentences using AR verbs!

All Music classes are beginning to practice their songs for Grandparents Day which focus on love.

### **Calendar Items:**

January 15	Martin Luther King Holiday; School Closed
January 18	8:45 Mass for grades 5 – 8 6:00 Faith, Family and Food Taste Fair in the Gym Babysitting is available. Please contact Tootie Lee ( <a href="mailto:TootieL@stmbr.org">TootieL@stmbr.org</a> ) for ticket information.
January 19	Boosterthon Fun Run Day
January 20	9:00 STM Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest in the gym
February 6	Grandparents Day for Grades K, 1, and 2
February 7	Grandparents Day for Grades 3, 4, 7, and 8
February 8	Grandparents Day for Grades 5 and 6

**St. Michael High School Parent Forum:**

St. Michael High School is excited to announce that we will be hosting a nationally recognized speaker on Suicide Awareness and Prevention. Kevin Hines is one of the few people ever to survive a suicide attempt by jumping off the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. Kevin now travels the country and is an advocate for suicide awareness and prevention. **We are excited to be hosting a middle school student and parent night in the St. Michael Gym at 6:30pm on Wednesday, February 28, 2018. All Diocesan middle school students and their parents/guardians are invited to attend this presentation.** Because of the nature of the presentation, middle school students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Parent resources will be provided to all those that attend and sign in and provide their email address.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

*Judy*

Judy H. Armstrong, Ph.D.  
Principal

# 2017-2018 HONOR ROLL

## 2ND NINE WEEKS

### PRINCIPAL'S LIST

#### 4th Grade

Ava Doucet  
Sydney Gomez  
Tyler Griffin  
Asher Higgins  
Madeline Holder  
Isobel Le  
Sophia Le  
Amelia Scioneaux  
Caroline Thomas  
Elle Vuong

#### 5th Grade

Julia Burns  
Thomas Denny  
Christian Mai  
Diego Mendoza Becerra  
Logan Nguyen  
Rachel Saunders  
Hayes Stuart  
Kelly Tran  
Sophia Tran

#### 6th Grade

Mackenzie Baer  
Christopher Day  
Hadley Ewen  
Adeline Fields  
Jonathan Lemoine  
Hannah Mai  
Isabelle McDermott  
Isabel Tram  
Claire Tran  
Macy Wascom

#### 7th Grade

Anna Cooper  
Brandon Dinh

### 1st HONORS

#### 4th Grade

Mia Casi  
Riley Deaton  
Isabella Diodene  
Nancy Do  
Hayden Fontenot  
Seth Hatfield  
Jacob Jean  
Joshua Jones  
Richelle Le  
Maryellen Moore  
Lorelei Robinson  
Michael Schittone  
William Uffman  
Cameron Wilkinson

#### 5th Grade

Ella Adcock  
Natalie Bauder  
Matthew Besson  
Madison Calandro  
Connor Campbell  
Hannah Deshotel  
Baylee Fontenot  
Riley Harshbarger  
Elise Holder  
Sophia Jean  
Jason Le  
Grant Mathes  
Owen Naquin  
Anabel Ngo  
Lana Nguyen  
Sophia Nguyen  
John Pearson  
Hayden Plauche'  
BriAnna Rackley  
Jessica Ross  
Victoria Seeling

### 1ST HONORS - CON'T

#### 6th - Con't

Madeline McCoy  
Harper Anne Miller  
Nicolas Nguyen  
Isabella Ortiz  
Jolie Primeaux  
Noah Singleton  
Araceli Sturiale  
Gunnar Tatum  
Angeline Thai  
Alexander Vidaurre  
Abby Watts

#### 7th Grade

Aidan Duffield  
Blair Duggan  
Mary Frances Hosea  
Zakaryya Khaled  
Emma Neyland  
Zachary Nguyen  
Matthew Olinde  
Gracyn Pope  
Ashlyn Rainey  
Ashton Richardson  
Hannah Sanchez  
Taylor Stockwell  
Sophia Taranto  
Caroline Wallace

#### 8th Grade

Claire Adams  
Alyssa Arceneaux  
Rebecca Bordelon  
Liam Calkins  
Mallory Caro  
Elizabeth Curry  
Haylee Deshotel  
Madeline Devries

### 2nd HONORS

#### 4th Grade

Allison Adams  
Blaine Bradford  
Hope Gray  
Joi Guillory  
Kruze Kepper  
Alyssa Kirkland  
Lucy Kyle  
Caroline Lucas  
Elena Lusk  
Grace Mathis  
An Khanh Nguyen  
Hayden Nguyen  
Ava Marie Ordonio  
Ethan Pham  
Madison Plauche  
Cameron Reed  
Cohen Short  
Ambrose Thai  
Benjamin Wallace  
Aubrey White

#### 5th Grade

Kirsten Dorsa  
Sydney Ieyoub  
Carter Mashon  
Mary Nguyen  
Maddox Tran

#### 6th Grade

Matthew Alumbaugh  
Nicholas Bauder  
Isabella Berry  
Sarah Broussard  
Jackson Dobbs  
Brooks Domenick  
Thomas Falcon  
LilyRuth Mury

Jenna Guidry  
Ashlynn Howell  
Reid LeJeune  
Claudia Magee  
Mercedes Mendoza Becerra  
Emily Ponson

Grace Reynolds

Josie Robinson  
Caitlyn Rogers  
Beverly Smith  
Katelyn Tran  
Diana Truong

**8th Grade**

Ella Boudreaux  
Katherine Crutchfield  
Kathryn Geyer  
Alexis Harvey  
Amielle Jenkins  
Isabel Ngo  
Mia Roppolo  
Sophia Tierney  
Derek Vuong

Austin Sims  
Mikah Story  
Lauren Taylor  
Lillian Thibodaux  
Evelyn White  
Joseph Williams  
Hannah-Grace  
Zimmerman

**6th Grade**

Ryan Baker  
Ryan Corey  
Jackson Cummings  
Camille Curry  
Avery Deaton  
Andrew Dugas  
Sayla Fogos  
Dolph Hugenroth  
Angela Huynh  
Hao Le  
Jo Jo Lemoine  
Monica Levron

Matthew Hosea  
Huy Le  
Harper Mathes  
Blake Mathis  
Abigail Mire  
Christine Ngo

Peter Nguyen

Sommer Nguyen  
Makenna Quick  
Reagan Robinson  
Caroline Simoneaux  
Andrew Snyder  
Parker Tatum  
McCall Terrell  
Nicholas Thai  
Tram-Anh Truong  
Jake Viscardis  
Anthony Vu  
Jackson Walker

Trieu Nguyen  
Lucy Parker  
Bryce Richard  
Henry Ross  
Christian Tran  
Lance Zimmerman

**7th Grade**

Annelise Almeida  
Marjorie Guthrie  
Hayden Holloway  
Evan Manthei  
Ella Uffman  
Amanda Weaver  
Julia Whitney  
Grace Zambrano

**8th Grade**

Elijah Bahlinger  
Katharine Broussard  
Tam Bui  
Hayes Domenick  
Alexander Henderson  
Alexandra Johnson  
Grant Kisner  
Micah Legrange  
Mackenzie Parker  
Bryce Rogowski  
Kristen Slatcoff