



The Barrister

School News

ISTEP Testing

Part one of the ISTEP testing has been completed. Thank you for doing a wonderful job supporting our children during this testing period. Testing of those students who were absent will be conducted until March 11th.

Earn \$250 Tuition Credit!

Remember, you can earn a \$250 tuition credit if you refer a family and they register and attend school next fall. Be sure the new family lists your name on their application.

Registration for 2016-2017

Find Tuition Information for the 2016-2017 School Year at <http://stm-school.com/TuitionInfo16-17.pdf>

Yard Signs - 3 Service Hours (SH)

Yard sign teams will be delivering signs to those who signed-up (Munster & Dyer only) within the next few days. If you would still like a sign in your yard, you can obtain one in the School Office. Signs should stay in your yard for at least 3 weeks or until Spring Break. The longer the sign remains in your yard the better! Earn 3 service hours just for displaying a "Register Now" sign.

Service Hours

If you have any questions concerning Service Hours or if you did not receive an email documenting your hours to date, please email: servicehours@stm-school.com.

Chess Club

Six STM Chess Teams, 26-3rd-8th grade students competed in the Team Regional Tournament this past Saturday. All teams finished in the top half of their division, with the 8U A Team and 6U A Team earning 2nd & 3rd place trophies. Good Luck to the five teams competing in the State Team Finals on March 19th.

Rainbows

Rainbows is an international not-for-profit organization that assists children and their families who are grieving a death, divorce or other life altering crisis. Mrs. Garrage and Miss Wisniewski will facilitate the groups. Please see the attached flyer.

Read-A-Thon

The Lake County Library Read-A Thon will close on Wednesday, March 9th. Please turn in your white envelope listing the books read and enclose your pledge money.

Weekly Calendar

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| February 29 to March 11 | ISTEP+ Testing Applied Skills |
| March 7-13 | Scholastic Book Fair |
| March 8 | Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass Penance Service 7 p.m. Adults may attend either Service |
| March 9 | Parent Association Meeting 7 p.m. Solar Room |
| March 11 | Stations of Cross 2:15 p.m. Church |

Book Fair Hours

Monday, Tuesday, March 7-8th: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday, March 9-10th: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday, March 11th: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday, March 12th: Noon - 4 p.m.
Sunday, March 13th: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

FAQ

When will STM make up the two snow days from February 24th and 25th?

Mr. Harker has contacted the Diocese of Gary Superintendent requesting that the State of Indiana grant STM a waiver due to the state of emergency issued. At this time, STM will need to wait to hear the State's decision. If STM is not granted a waiver for the two days, STM will make up one day on May 2nd and the second on May 31st.

Athletics

- CYO Girls Basketball Tournament begins on Saturday, March 5. Good Luck Lady Eagles!
- **Save The Date:** 8th Grade Athletic Banquet is Friday, May 6th at 6:00p.m. in the gym.
- STM Spirit Wear Online Store –Last Sale This School Year! Please see attached flyer.

“Christ said, “I am the Truth”; he did not say “I am the custom.” -St. Toribio



Week of March 7, 2016

Weekly Menu

Daily Menu

Monday, March 7

Chicken Nuggets
Whipped Potatoes/Gravy
Broccoli/Peas
Mixed Fruit, Milk

Monday Volunteers

Suzanne Caceres
Jennifer Sisson

Tuesday, March 8

Hot Dog/Chili Dog
Baked Beans
Cucumber Slices/Dip
Pears, Fruit Snack, Milk

Tuesday Volunteers

Gina Cipowski
Jennifer Halun

Wednesday, March 9

Pasta with Meat Sauce
Salad Mix/Green Beans
Muffin, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday Volunteers

Victoria Kemp
Becky Kirsch
Katie Fesko

Thursday, March 10

Pizza Choice:
Pepperoni or Cheese
Corn/Carrots Sticks
Fresh Fruit
Fruit Smoothie, Milk

Thursday Volunteers

Leslie Dragos
Julie Dannis
Carly Olczak

Friday, March 11

Hot Pretzel with Cheese
Yogurt Choice,
Cottage Cheese
Mixed Salad
Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

Friday Volunteers

Melissa Reardon
Martha Smith
Delia Hernandez

Ala Carte

Salads: Large - \$2.30 Small - \$1.85
Yogurt: \$.70
Milk: \$.50
Water: \$.50

Reminders

- **Menu subject to change**
- **Hot Lunch Prices:**
Student - \$ 2.00
Adult - \$ 2.60
- **Cash or Check Payments Accepted**
Checks made out to STM are accepted.
- **Families with more than one student**
Eating hot lunch are encouraged to send in ONE check (or cash) in one envelope.
Money will be divided between siblings accordingly.
- **There is a \$10.00 charge limit per account**
If students do not bring in money after 5 charges, they will not be allowed in the hot lunch line until payment is made. However, students will be offered a cheese sandwich if they have nothing else to eat.
- **Students should turn in payment in a SEALED envelope labeled as follows:**

Lunch Money
Student's First & Last Name
Homeroom Teacher's Name
Amount Enclosed
- Check the St. Thomas More School website for the Monthly Menu under the tab: "Student/Nutrition".
- Check the weekly Barrister for the weekly menu and volunteer list.
- Go to www.myschoolbucks.com to check your student's account balances and to make credit card payments.

LAST SPIRIT WEAR SALE
FOR 2015-2016
SCHOOL YEAR!
March 5-March 20

IF YOU HAVEN'T VISITED THE ONLINE STORE SINCE OCTOBER, CHECK OUT THESE NEW ITEMS AND MORE!

HEADBANDS/EARWARMERS



COMEBACK BEANIES



LADIES' VESTS



50"x60" FLEECE
STADIUM BLANKETS



BACKPACKS THAT INCLUDE SHOE/ATHLETIC
GEAR BOTTOM POCKET

ALL ITEMS COME EMBROIDERED WITH
'ST. THOMAS MORE' AND EAGLE EMBLEM

To purchase spirit wear items from our online store go to: www.mikessptgoods.net
Click on "SPIRIT WEAR STORES"
Then click on "St. Thomas More"

ORDERING AND PAYMENT:

- All payments will be made online using a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card.
- Please click on the yellow Customer Support tab, if you have any questions about your order, or need to change and/or cancel your order. Be sure to include your name and the name of your organization (St. Thomas More Spirit Wear store), and what changes need to be made.
 - A detailed order receipt will be sent to the email you provide while checking out.
- Items will be delivered to school and sent home with students approximately 2-3 weeks after the store closes.

For questions regarding spirit wear please contact Kim Power at kimpower21@gmail.com.



Rainbows

Rainbows will be starting soon! Rainbows is an international not-for-profit organization that assists children and their families who are grieving a death, divorce, or other life-altering crisis. Rainbows will provide grieving children with an opportunity to deal with and resolve their feelings in an accepting environment of peers and teachers who have been trained through Rainbows to facilitate the group.

Please fill out the form and return it to your oldest child's homeroom teacher to enroll in Rainbows. We will meet from 3:05 – 3:45 Tuesdays in Room 223, Mrs. Garrage's room and/or Room 105, Miss Wisniewski's room. Booklets and snacks will be provided. Please pick your child up from the recess doors when we dismiss.

You will be contacted as to the date of the first meeting. We are looking forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Garrage and Miss Wisniewski

I would like for my child(ren) to participate in Rainbows.

Child's Name

Grade

Homeroom Teacher

Parent Signature _____

Please contact Mrs. Garrage at lgarrage@stm-school.com or Miss Wisniewski at vwisniewski@stm-school.com if you have any questions or concerns. We would be happy to help you.

Please fill in the information on the form above and drop it off in the school office addressed to "Miss Wisniewski – Rainbows." Thank you! ☺