



St. Thomas More School Weekly News • August 12, 2015

The Barrister

Important 1st Day Notes

Welcome Back!

Starting Time - The first day of school for grades 1-8 is Thursday, August 13th. Students should be in their classrooms by **8:30 a.m.** (late start on Thursdays.) All other days of the week school starts at 8:00 a.m.

Bus Changes - On Tuesday, August 11, 2015, the School Town of Munster notified St. Thomas More that our students will be picked up to go home at approximately 3:35 p.m. The School Town of Munster will have two buses designated to transport only St. Thomas More bus riders home.

If your child experiences difficulties on the bus in the morning, please have your child tell the gym supervisor so that the issued may be addressed.

If your child experiences difficulties on the bus on the way home, please contact Ms. Peggy Howarth, Munster Transportation, at 219-836-9111.

Parking Lot Procedures - Due to the Town of Munster not completing the paving of Lions Club Drive, we will need to adjust the parking lot procedure for the first few days. On Thursday and Friday of this week August 13th and 14th, cars will not have access to Lions Club Drive as a means of entering and exiting our parking lot. At morning drop-off, cars will enter our lot from Calumet Avenue, bring their children around to the main entrance, and exit via the circular drive. There will be no drop-offs permitted at the circular drive while it is being used as an exit. Parents will use the Main Entrance at the back of our property for quick drop-off or may park near the parish office and walk their children into the school building. The cars should follow along in single file order as usual. At afternoon pick-up, personnel will be available to direct you depending on whether you go south when leaving our parking lot or whether you go north. Please be sure you are parked correctly as cars in the southbound lanes will go south on Calumet and cars parked in the northbound lanes will be directed northbound. No exceptions! We regret the inconvenience, but procedures should return to normal Monday, August 17th.

Remember, our procedures are in place for the safety of our students.

Weekly Calendar

August 13	First Day of School Grades 1-8 stat at 8:30 a.m. (late starts on Thursdays)
August 17	Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten First Day of School- 8:00 a.m.
August 18	All School Mass-8:30 a.m. New Student/New Teacher/New Principal Welcome and Class of 2016 Investiture
August 21	Back to School Pool Party at Munster Community Pool 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
August 22	VIRTUS Training 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Solar Room
August 24	Picture Day
August 26	Back to School Night Grades 1-4 7 p.m. Gym

School News

New Teachers

Please join us in welcoming the following teachers into the St. Thomas More School Family:

Mrs. Patricia Fointno-Music
Mr. Ramon Gonzalez-7th/5th Computer Applications
Mrs. Katrina Keilman-7th/8th grade Science
Mrs. Lyndsey Keilman-Art,
Ms. Rose Kliza-2nd grade
Mrs. Patricia Ramirez-7th/8th grade Language Arts.

Virtus Training-VIRTUS training will be held at St. Thomas More School on August 22, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. in the Solar Room. You must be VIRTUS trained to volunteer in our school/parish. Please contact Mrs. McGill at 836-8610 x336 to register for this program.

Dear Lord, As we begin this new school year, we gather once again as your community of believers. We thank you for the energy and the spirit that you renewed in us through the summer months. We thank you for the time to enjoy our family and friends and to reflect on what is important in our lives.

Let this year be marked by enthusiasm and love so that, with the inspiration of your Spirit, we may continue to grow in our faith. Help us to fulfill Your hope for us with honest intentions and works of faith.

Let us be gentle with ourselves and bring laughter, joy and love to others. We ask this in your name. Amen.



Week of August 17, 2015

Weekly Menu

Daily Menu

Thursday, August 13

Pepperoni Pizza
Mixed Salad/Corn
Pears
Fruit Smoothie

Thursday Volunteers

Chris Balbo
Leslie Dragos
Natalie Krembs

Friday, August 14

Grilled Cheese Sandwich
Sweet Potato Fries
Peas/Grape Tomatoes
Fresh Fruit

Friday Volunteers

Christina Tumacder
Susan Payne

Monday, August 17

Breaded Chicken Patty
Whipped Potatoes/Gravy,
Bread, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Monday Volunteers

Teresa Torres
Marie Ramirez

Tuesday, August 18

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

Tuesday Volunteers

Jennifer Halun
Nikki Long

Wednesday, August 19

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Mixed Salad/Green Beans,
Dinner Roll
Peaches, Milk

Wednesday Volunteers

Amy Osmulski
Tammy Savickis

Thursday, August 20

Chicken Tacos or Beef Taco
Sticks
Salsa/Lettuce/Cheese,
Tater Tots,
Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

Thursday Volunteers

Yesenia Olivencia
Kelli Galanos

Friday, August 21

Cheese Pizza on a Bun
Mixed Salad/Corn
Fresh Fruit/Raisins, Milk

Friday Volunteers

Becky Kirsch
Victoria Kemp

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.