

St. Thomas Lutheran School

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Looking Ahead

2-10-12

½ day

Teacher In Service

2-11-12

Faith Connection
Workshop

8:45am – 3:30pm

An entire Saturday
devoted to
reviewing the
Christian Faith from
a Lutheran
perspective

2-18-12

Soup and Sandwich
Event

2-22-12

Ash Wednesday
½ Day of School
Winter break begins
at 11:30 am

2-23 – 2-24-12

No school
Winter Break



We are still
collecting warm
clothing now
through Feb. 17 for
SASS

(Soup and Sandwich
Saturday)

Please bring in your
gently used coats,
blankets, boots,
sweaters, and
sweatshirts.

Donations can be
dropped off at the
office.



February 9, 2012
2011-2012 School Newsletter #5



Walking with Jesus in Prayer

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Did you receive your re enrollment packet? Information was sent home with students the end of January. Don't miss out on being one of the first to re enroll and receive your discount!!

Northwestern University: We have received some information about their 2012 Summer Program. Northwestern is offering a summer program for students in Pre K through grade 12. The courses being offered are for academically gifted students. A catalog is available in the school office. Contact information for the summer program: phone 847 491-8257 or email summer@ctd.northwestern.edu.

Fast Direct: Have you gone online to update your information. Fast Direct is the in house system St. Thomas uses for our school. The on line address for Fast Direct is www.fastdir.com/stl. This site can be used to gain school information for you and your child. Parents can email teachers, the office and vice versa. Teachers post assignments, newsletters and various information to keep families apprised of things going on in the classroom and our school. By logging in parents can also make sure we have your most recent phone, address, and emergency contact information for their family. If you haven't been there yet, give it a try. One of the new features is the Fast Direct system will allow you to receive auto-notifications of FDmail messages to your e-mail or cell phone!

Dress Code: Just some reminders as we pass the half way mark in the school year: St. Thomas does try to be consistent with the dress code requirements and parents can help by being the first line of defense to help us enforce the requirements.

Pants/skirts/jumpers: color is solid navy blue, black or khaki. Dress pants/slacks are permitted. **No sweat pants or tight fitting leggings are allowed.**

Shirts/blouses: any solid color blouse or shirt **with** a collar is allowed. A fold down collar, such as a mock turtleneck or regular turtle neck is also permitted.

STL Sweatshirts: STL logo sweatshirts are allowed with a collar shirt/blouse underneath the sweatshirt.

If you are not sure of a particular article of clothing please check with your teacher.



Candy Grams

Need an idea of what to get your classmates, friends, teachers, or school staff? Buy a Candy Gram.

For a mere \$.25 or for the bargain price of 5 for \$1.00, you can send that special someone a personal note along with a little something sweet. Students will be selling Candy Grams today through Friday; before and after school, and at lunch. The Candy Grams will be delivered on Feb. 14 during class time.

Soup and Sandwich Saturday

February 18, 2012
11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Our desire is to reach out to everyone in the community who would like a warm meal and some fellowship. St. Thomas is collecting warm outer clothing to give out at this event for families who may not have warm clothing to wear in the winter months. Please consider donating your gently used winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, boots, sweaters and blankets. Sign up sheets will also be coming out for donations of food and time.

Cell Phones

If your child brings a cell phone to school, please be sure that they are turning them into the school office. Students are **not** allowed to carry their cell phones with them throughout the day.



Cold Weather

The winter weather is coming and the children go outside for recess all year long. Please make sure that your children have their jackets/coats as well as hats, gloves, scarf and boots (if needed) so they will be nice and warm at recess!!

Parent of the Month Parking Spot

Our February Parent of the Month parking spot belongs to the Langreet/Riviera family. Please leave the spot open for this family to enjoy .

Easter Egg Hunt



On Sunday, April 1st our youth group will be sponsoring a community Easter egg hunt here at St. Thomas and your help is needed. Donations of plastic Easter eggs, small wrapped candy, or money to offset the cost would be greatly appreciated. Plan now on inviting your family and friends to the event! All donations may be turned in at the office.



Magazine Subscription Sale

Magazine Sale

Does your family subscribe to magazines? You can help our library and yourself at the same time! You can renew or order magazines at great prices ANYTIME through Great America and we receive some of the profits. Just go to www.gaschoolstore.com and enter school code 937946. Wrapping paper, personalized gifts, and gourmet food items are also available.

30th Anniversary St. Thomas Lutheran

Woman's Retreat

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, March 3, 2012, 8:30am – 3:00pm. The church is now accepting reservations. For more information please call the church office 586 772-3370.



Peace Lutheran Concert Series

- Sunday, February 19, 6:00 pm
The Living Stones
- Sunday, March 18, 6:00 pm
One Word
- Sunday, April 15, 6:00 pm
Lost and Found

All concerts will be held at Peace Lutheran Church. 11701 E. 12 Mile Rd. Warren, MI. For more information contact Jodi Johnstone via email: jodilee914@gmail.com

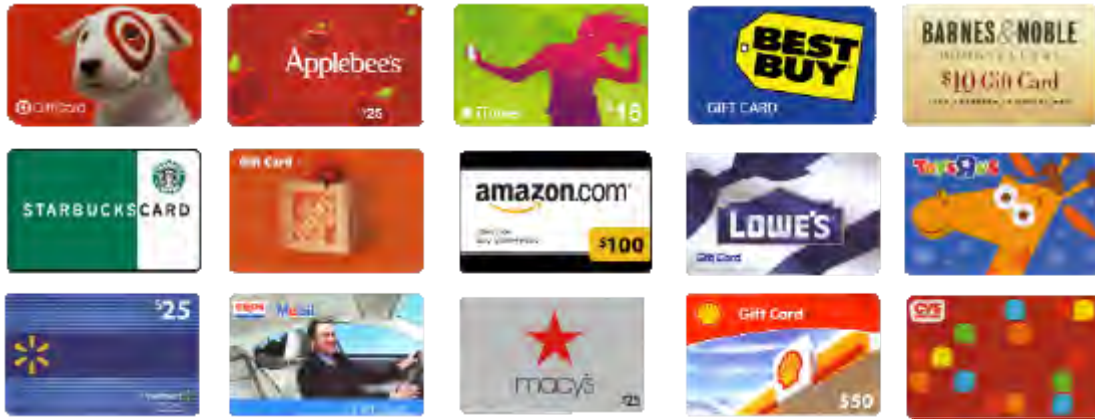
After School Clubs

Last fall we had about 90% of our students in grades K-8 participate in after school clubs on Wednesdays. We are now ready to organize our second session. Do you have a skill you would like to share with a small number of children? Would you like to assist another adult with a club? Any interest will be considered. Tennis? Chess? Lyrical dance? Writing children's books? ???????? Please let your child's teacher know if you are interested or if you know of a friend or relative interested in leading a club.

Lunchroom News

Don't forget to sign up for lunchroom duty! If you have not signed up to work in the lunchroom yet please stop by the school office and do so. Parents in grades K-8 are required to work 3 times in the lunchroom to assist in serving/helping students. Parents who choose not to work are charged a \$30.00 sub fee. If you have any questions, please stop by the lunchroom or school office.





What Is Scrip?

Scrip is a term that means “substitute money”. When you purchase scrip, you’re purchasing negotiable gift certificates and prepaid cards that are used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials, and with every purchase, you earn revenue for our organization.

How scrip generates revenue for you

The Great Lakes Scrip Center acts on behalf of churches, schools and other non-profit organizations to purchase large amounts of scrip from grocery stores, department stores, and other retailers. Because the scrip is purchased with cash up front, the participating retailers offer a substantial discount. Our organization buys the scrip from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a discount, and re-sells the certificates to families like yours for full face value. The discount - from two to fifteen percent or more – is our organization’s revenue.

Scrip is “shopping cart fundraising”

Scrip is a popular fundraiser because families don’t have to sell anything. Organization members produce revenue by making regular household purchases they would make anyway. Groceries, clothing, toys, gifts, even gasoline can be purchased with scrip.

Find Out More

Ask your scrip coordinator listed below for the latest participating retailer list. Then put your shopping dollars to work for our organization!