St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



April 9, 2024 THE NOTE!

I hope everyone enjoyed the Total Eclipse. I'll be honest – not my thing, but I did sit outside to see the whole thing. God's creation is amazing! The kids were excited about it and had stories to tell, but we all had one thing in common – we're all a little tired. I told one kiddo, it's worth it if you got to have fun with family!

We had several to sing to this morning for the weekly birthdays. Mrs. Smith didn't come out, but we included her as well. I am so thankful to have her in the office with me. She makes my job that much more enjoyable and brings calm to my sometimes dramatic days. I pray that she has a wonderful day and many more years of happiness!



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday: Happy Birthday, Mrs. Smith! Meyer Twins Art 'til 5:00

Wednesday: **3-5 Class Mass (5)**, Eucharistic Minister training 6:30, Lector training 7:00

Thursday: Track H 4:30 (Rain, Rain, Stay Away!)

Friday: **All-School Mass (2)**, 4th Qt. Mid-term

Saturday: Mass @ St. Thomas 4:30

Sunday: Mass @ St. Thomas 7:00/10:00, Mass @ St. Mary's 8:30

ATTACHED/IN PACKET: Spring Pictures, School Board minutes, Trash Bag Order forms

- o If you would like to recycle your **Eclipse glasses**, feel free to send them in to us. Lindsey Vogt will collect them for the Farm Bureau.
 - Trash bag sales begin today. Please check with family and friends to see if they'd like to stock up for the summer. Hopefully we will get our detergent orders next week.
 - o **Mid-term** of the 4th quarter is this Friday already! Reports will come home.
 - Spring fever has sprung. Please know that extra activities like sports are contingent on **good behavior and respect** at school.
- Just a reminder that St. Thomas does not allow **cell phones**. If you think you're student needs their phone, we have reminded them that it must be OFF in their book bag. They are not to access it at any time during the school day. If we find out they are using it, they will have to turn it in to the office each morning.
- The School Board sent recommendations to the Finance Council and they voted to raise **tuition** by 3%. I am thankful that we can continue to have only minor raises.
- I haven't received very many worker sign-ups for the Garage Sale. Check your calendar and see if you can help out. It's a great way to finish up some fair share hours.
- On't forget our **SCRIP** program. We have some local cards as well as several in Effingham and even Amazon. They make great gifts or to use for regular personal shopping. You do earn fair share hours from SCRIP profit.
- As I get ready to start ordering **books and supplies** for each class for the 2024-2025 school year, please let me know if A) Your kids are not returning to St. Thomas and/or B) You know of anyone interested in St. Thomas. Thanks!

Reliability for Kids:

*WHATEVER YOU DO, DO IT WELL

*BE CONSISTENT AND FINISH WHAT YOU START

*BE HONEST

Our greatest example of Reliability is God!

But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.

2 Thessalonians 3:3

