



## A season worth celebrating!



Our powerhouse cross country runners celebrate their winning season at morning assembly.

### Greetings Titan Families!

So many exciting things are happening as we get to the finish line for 2022. The family dance on November 18th in the Event Center was a big hit and a great pay-to-play that brought our community together. Hopefully we can do it again as part of the 2023 Auction pay-to-play offerings.

If you have questions about the **2023 Homecoming Auction on February 25th**, please stop by the Parents' Club coffee on Friday December 2nd. Parents will be there to answer questions and guide you through the Auction commitment and process. The Homecoming theme will make for a fun return to the Event Center to celebrate our school community. Please save the date-we would love to have 100% attendance by parents.

This newsletter is full of important information, so keep reading. Many of your questions are answered below, including volunteering at the Event Center, STAR committee Christmas giving, and an upcoming used uniform sale. Remember to sign up for **Traffic** duty. We have many open shifts that need to be filled to ensure the safety of our children. [St Theresa Traffic Duty Signups 2022-2023](#)

Watch for a new feature from our Volunteer Committee leads **John O'Sullivan** (Jack, Desmond, 2nd) and **Aspasia Iosifellis** (Kostas, 2nd). They have designed a **volunteer hours dashboard** that you can easily access to see how many hours you have volunteered. Details will be coming soon via Konstella.

Wishing our St. Theresa teachers, staff and families a truly blessed and joy-filled Christmas season.

**Tracey Silva**  
**STPC President**



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## SECOND TRIMESTER TOP STORIES

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### Friday, December 2nd ~ join us for some holiday cheer!

**Let's celebrate the season with some hot coffee and goodies!** The Parents' Club invites you to linger at drop off in the morning on **Friday, December 2nd**. We will be offering hot coffee and holiday cookies, so please stay and visit with our wonderful St. T's family community. Thanks to **Macy Cornell** (Ruby, 2nd), Hospitality Chair, for coordination.



### Our 2023 Homecoming Auction will be here before you know it!

**Please submit your auction dues commitment by our December 16th deadline.** The auction committee is hard at work preparing for **February 25th's** fun and successful event benefiting St. Theresa. We can't do it without the participation of all our families.. Your donations "seed" the live and silent auction. Vacation home stays, sports tickets and experiences are some of the items that will ensure a robust Auction offering and bidding! For more information about auction dues requirements, and to make your commitment today, [please visit this](#)

[form](#). If you have any questions, reach out to Auction Chair **Kelly Haider** (Zeke, Kinder). Thank you to parent **Andrew Purchase** (Zoe, 4th) for designing the Auction logo!



### The STAR Committee elves are getting busy!

**'Tis the season for the STAR committee to shine!** With Christmas break just around the corner, the STAR (St. Theresa Awards and Recognition) committee is as busy as Santa's workshop! **Courtney Anderson** (Lily, 1st & Ted, 5th) **Julie Lo** (Lucas, 5th) **Mary Lesser** (Adam, Kinder) and parent-teacher liaison **Denise Ebright** (Cody, 6th) are coordinating gift cards for the dedicated St. T staff from Parents' Club. Throughout the school year, our STAR program ensures our teachers and staff receive gratitude for how deeply we appreciate all they do for our kids.



### Need Bigger Uniform Sizes for your sprouting student?

**The Parents' Club will be holding a used uniform sale on Friday, December 9th.** Keep an eye out for Konstella announcements and links to submit your item requests before **December 8th** for easy pickup, as well as volunteer sign-ups to help coordinate this uniform sale. All proceeds from our used uniform sales benefit our school. Thank you **Lilliana Jain** (Avi, 5th) for coordinating this sale.





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### CYO Season is in full swing!

**So that means Event Center volunteer duty is too!** With weekend games and matches scheduled in our Event Center gym comes volunteer opportunities. It's been a few years since our campus has hosted a full season of sports, so Parents' Club is offering a quick refresher on our **Event Center volunteer requirement for all families**. Here are some fun facts and resources for your easy reference:



- The Event Center Duty requirement consists of **three shifts per family**
- Once you have signed up for a shift, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. The penalty fee for a missed shift is \$75.
- Set-up (pull out bleachers and install hand rails, set up volleyball net, set up score table and chairs), Front Gate (greet visitors, collect entry fee) and Closing (clean up and put away tables, chairs and other items).
- You can sign up for shifts on Konstella right [HERE](#).

Please support our CYO student athletes and sign up for your shifts today!



### St. T's Spirit Gear makes a great gift for your favorite Titan!

#### **Santa's elves have made sure our spirit gear shop is fully stocked!**

Check out our Spirit Gear Store [right here](#) for shirts, hoodies, hats, and more. Sales from our spirit gear store generate funding for our school. Friendly reminder: Students may only wear spirit gear on campus during free dress days.







PARENTS' CLUB 411

**Want to know more about what Parent's Club does?** Here's a summary of our STPC committees. Interested in getting involved? Reach out to Tracey Silva via Konstella. Here's an overview of our committees:

**Ambassadors Families** – Working with Room Parent Coordinators, identify and recruit parents to serve as Ambassadors for incoming new students to help acclimate them to the St Theresa community.

**Daily Lunch** – Coordinate volunteer servers via Konstella to serve hot lunch daily.

**Emergency Preparedness/Facilities** – Monitor and maintain emergency supplies for staff/ students stored in the school's cargo bin. Support Principal and staff with safety initiatives, earthquake drills, etc. and recruit volunteers as needed. Recruit volunteers to support campus workdays initiated by the Parent Board Facilities Chair.

**Garden** – Oversee general cultivation initiatives and maintenance of the planter beds behind the library; support teachers with integration of gardening activities into curriculum; recruit volunteers to help with garden maintenance as necessary.

**Health Forms and Health Screening** – Ensure all required health screenings are successfully completed for our students. These screenings include MCT Vision, Scoliosis, and Hearing. Recruit volunteers to help with screenings.

**Hospitality** – Coordinate social events for parents (morning coffee socials, coffee for Halloween Parade, etc). Provide hospitality for accreditation team visit in October.

**Room Parents Coordinator** – Recruit and implement the Room Parent program for grades TK-8 for the school year, maintain contact with teachers and room parents throughout the year to ensure that the program is running smoothly, communicate with STAR coordinator for Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, and assist Volunteer Coordinator to ensure volunteer opportunities and commitments are being fulfilled.

**STAR (Staff & Teacher Appreciation)** – Administer the STAR budget, rewarding teachers and staff at least twice a year (Christmas and end of year), recognize Staff and Teacher birthdays and organize Teacher Appreciation Week. STAR Committee resource: Teacher and Staff Favorite Things

**Traffic Duty** – Work with the Volunteer Coordinator to manage daily parking lot traffic duty, determine the annual commitment for families, and ensure tracking and appropriate billing for unfulfilled commitments as specified in the annual contract (**open position available to partner with current lead**).

**Used Uniforms** – Collect, sort and sell used St. Theresa Uniforms with help from parent volunteers. Hold 2-3 "used uniform" sales per year, typically summer, back to school and mid-year. Proceeds from used uniform sales benefit the St. Theresa Parents' Club fund (**open position available to partner with current lead**).

**Volunteer Coordinator** – Ensure that volunteer requirements and opportunities are posted, ensure that hours are tracked, keep parents informed of their compliance with required volunteer hours (traffic, event center, etc.)





## St. Theresa Parents' Club Newsletter

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