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# Spring is in the Air!



Families spent a recent Saturday preparing and planting our garden and cleaning up in the Event Center!

#### Hello St. T's Families,

We have had a busy few months, highlighted by the wonderful 2022 Winter Auction. Thanks to all who volunteered, donated and attended! As we move into spring, our parent community continues to give generously to our fundraising efforts, and devote time and talents to school projects. We are sending a **big thank you** to the parents who recently spruced up the school garden and cleaned up the Event Center – our campus is looking fantastic! And you can still sign up for the fun Auction Pay-to-Plays (see below). This is a terrific way for our St T's community to connect again at social gatherings!

Check this out: Families have volunteered more than 3,063 hours this school year! Thank you so much! If you haven't had a chance to fulfill your volunteer hours requirement, we are extending the fulfillment deadline to **June 5th.** Keep an eye out for volunteer opportunities on Konstella!

As we look ahead, Parents' Club would love to have you join a committee for the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact me on Konstella if you are interested in getting involved to support our school.

Thank you, Tracey Silva STPC President



## SPRING TRIMESTER TOP STORIES

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## The STAR Committee is gearing up for Teacher Appreciation Week!

**The arrival of spring** brings another opportunity to celebrate our teachers and staff. May 2nd-6th is Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week, and the STAR committee will be inviting St. T's families to join in the week's festivities recognizing our extraordinary team of instructors and administrators. Keep an eye out for Konstella sign-ups coming your way!

## Young Titan Leaders Setting an Example of Service.

We are so proud of the work our students put in writing letters to Ukrainian students in a show of support and solidarity. They were excited that their efforts were celebrated on the local news! Service learning continues this spring in our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade classes with their annual stewardship project. Students donated toiletries and warm socks to create Easter care packages for clients of the St. Vincent de Paul Center. It's great to see our service learning curriculum in action, teaching values of Christian service and civic responsibility that will last a lifetime.





#### Last Chance to Grab your Student B&W Photo!

Have you had a chance to purchase your student's portrait for this year? We will be offering these treasured momentos until **May 1st**, so don't delay, <u>click here</u> today! Photos are being sent home in backpacks so make sure to check with your child once you order. If you have ordered a digital file, those will be sent after May 1st. **Thanks for supporting St. T's with your purchase!** 



# St. Theresa Parents' Club Newsletter

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## Spring Volunteer Opportunities Breaking News!

Haven't had a chance to fulfill your volunteer hours? We are extending the usual deadline of April 30th to complete your volunteer hours for this school year. You now have until June 5th to sign up and help out with various STPC initiatives. We'll be sending out lots of sign-up opportunities on Konstella so keep an eye out! And Don't forget to log your volunteer hours here!

#### **Open House/Grandparents and Special Friends Day**

**Mark your calendars** for a combined Family Open House and Grandparents & Special Friends Day, **scheduled for May 13**! We can't wait to welcome our families back into classrooms to view student work and visit with teachers. Open House festivities will be followed by hospitality outside and classroom visits. **\*Volunteer Opportunities Coming Soon!\*.** 





## Need Bigger Uniform Sizes for your sprouting student?

The Parents' Club is planning to host another used uniform sale before the end of the year! You can send in a pre-order and have volunteers pull items for you, or come in during our sale on Friday, May 6th, 3-5 p.m. Stay tuned for more details. \*Volunteer Opportunity ~ <u>click here</u>\*.

#### Titan Families - Let's Rock the Event Center!

Join us June 4th, 6:30-9:00 p.m. for an All-School Parent-Child Dance Party to celebrate the end of the year! A pay-to-play favorite, this super fun party, featuring a live DJ, refreshments, and fun times with friends, is sure to be a great night. You can register to attend with your little Titan right <u>here!</u> \*Volunteer Opportunity ~ <u>click here</u>\*.





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# HEY ALL YOU PARTY ANIMALS!

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Winter auction has come and gone, but don't you worry! There are plenty of party opportunities left before school is out for the year! Check out all these super fun events, and then <u>sign up today</u> <u>on our site</u>!

Party	Description	Event Date	Sign Up By
4th Grade Movies!	Movie time with Ms. Ratto!	April 29	April 26
5th Grade Movies!	Movie time with Ms. Elings!	April 29	April 26
2nd Grade Movies!	Movie time with Ms. Rodriguez!	May 6	May 2
6th-8th Beach Party!	Ms. Rinehart & Señora Mara's Beach Party!	May 6	May 2
Cartoon Drawing!	Learn to draw with a Pixar pro! (virtual)	May 7	May 5
Spa Party!	Manis, Pedis and Mimosas for Mom	May 7	May 4
4th-6th Beach Party!	Ms. Rinehart & Señora Mara's Beach Party!	May 13	May 9
7th Grade Pizza!	Pizza night with Mr. Lynch!	May 19	May 13
Kinder Slime Party!	A Slimey Good Time with Ms. Javier!	May 27	May 23
May Margarita Mingle	Margaritas, apps & mingling with good friends	May 28	May 26
TK, K & 1st Play Date	Giant Park Party at Roberts!	June 4	June 1
Parent-Child Dance	Come boogie down in the Event Center!	June 4	June 2

#### Looking Ahead to 2022-2023 and the STPC!

The St. Theresa Parents' Club plays a vital role in important school initiatives and operations throughout the school year. By volunteering on an STPC committee, you can make a meaningful contribution to our school! Please consider getting involved for the 2022-2023 school year. 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





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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).

**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

**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

**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.)





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