

**SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS ACADEMY
NEWSLETTER**



Mike Cattani, Principal
Michelle Brief, Associate Principal
May 3, 2024

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The mission of Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy is to provide an affordable education in the Catholic teaching tradition that inspires in students a life-long thirst for knowledge, wisdom, and truth; a desire to reach the full potential which God intended for them; and a recognition of the discipline of mind and heart required for effective service to others in the love of God.

Dates to Remember

May 4	Prom
May 8	Senior Retreat & Jr/Sr Banquet
May 10, 11 & 12	Windsor Players Play
May 13, 14 & 15	Senior Exams
May 15	BOT Meeting-6:30 am–HS Library
May 16	Baccalaureate Mass High School Awards
May 17	Graduation
May 22	Middle School Awards
May 23	Jean Day – both campuses
May 27	No School – Memorial Day
May 28 & 29	Exam Days
May 29	Last Day of School!



St. Thomas Aquinas Academy would like to officially welcome new staff members and current staff members taking on new roles for the 2024-2025 school year.

Principal:
Michelle Brief

Academy Dean of Students:
Kim Wozniak

Business Manager:
Lynsey Anderson

Business/Leadership Teacher & Recruitment:
Mike Cattani

Science Teacher & Media Specialist:
Nikki Sotka

Chemistry Teacher:
Vicki Howell

HS Theology & Vocations Director:
Dustin Dreifuerst

5th Grade Teacher:
Katie Pleau

2nd/3rd Grade Teacher:
Kristin Sartorelli

PK3 Teacher & Elementary Secretary:
Angela VanCleve

Elementary and MS/HS Secretary:
Lori Walcher

May Events



May 16th: Baccalaureate Mass
9:30am at St. Joesph's Church in Marinete

May 16th: High School Awards Ceremony
1pm in STAA Gym

May 17th: High School Graduation
6pm in STAA Gym

May 22nd: Middle School Awards Ceremony
1:30pm in STAA Gym

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Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy
Windsor Players Presents

THE JUNGLE BOOK

By Joseph Robinette.
Based on the book by Rudyard Kipling.

Friday May 10th & Saturday May 11th @ 7pm
Sunday May 12th @ 1pm
1200 Main Street Marinette, WI

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**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE
MAY 3 – 13, 2024
DONATIONS BEING ACCEPTED AT
BOTH STAA CAMPUSES.
DONATIONS WILL BE USED TO FILL
BACKPACKS FOR SCHOOL
IN THE FALL!**



***SCHOOL*
PICTURE
*DAY***



**PICTURE DAY FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR WILL
TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 AT BOTH
CAMPUSES. HARMANN STUDIOS WILL AGAIN BE
TAKING THE PICTURES. STAA WILL BE SHARING
EMAIL ADDRESSES WITH HARMANN FOR DIRECT
COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS. IF YOU DO NOT
WANT YOUR EMAIL SHARED WITH HARMAN
STUDIOS, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE
AT 715-735-7481.**

ELEMENTARY NEWS

Elementary students in grade Kindergarten through Grade 5 will be completing the *iReady Diagnostic* during the week of May 6-10. It will be the last diagnostic test this school year. It will give the kids a chance to "show what they know"!

We will be celebrating May, June and July birthdays on Monday, May 6th! (August birthdays were celebrated in September.) Students (and teachers) with birthdays in those 3 months may have a non-uniform day and will receive something special from our Student Council.

Elementary students are excited to celebrate *Muffins for Mom* on Wednesday, May 8th. Moms and special ladies are invited for Mass at 8:30 a.m., muffins, coffee and juice after Mass, and recess fun until 10:00 a.m. We hope to see you there!

Free Lunch Friday! Our last free lunch of this school year will be Friday, May 10th. Students are invited to have pancakes, sausage, fruit and milk. Thank you to Laura Finger and Ryan VanCleve for organizing, making and serving the free lunches all school year! Thank you to all those who donated money or gift cards to help make these free lunches available to our students!

Students had fun celebrating their *April SMART Goals!* The last set of goals will be made for May! The May SMART Goal Rewards are as follows: One goal: Extra morning recess! Both goals: Non-Uniform Day! The May SMART goals will be celebrated on Friday, May 24th.

Mark your calendars! The *End-of-the-Year Field Trip* will be on Tuesday, May 21st! Elementary students will be taking a bus (PreK3 can meet us there!) to The Wildlife Sanctuary and Bay Beach! More details and permission slip will be sent home soon. We will need chaperones so we can have students in small groups of 3 or 4 to maximize the fun and time on rides (no younger siblings, please). If you would like to volunteer and are not Virtus trained, you still have time! Go to www.Virtusonline.org to register and complete the training. If you have any questions or need help, please contact Linda Bjorkman at 715-582-4041. If you are interested in chaperoning, please call the school office, 582-4041, by Wednesday, May 15th. Thank you!

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

All Middle School students will be going to *Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya* on Tuesday, May 14 from 8:15 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. More details will be sent home prior to the trip. Students will attend their first and eighth period classes.

Mrs. Brief met with the High School students this week regarding their *Christian Service Hours*. Those that have met the 20-hour requirement for the year were given a Congratulations! note. Those that still need hours were given a note with how many hours they still need. Seniors must complete their hours by Wednesday, May 8th in order to graduate. 9th-11th graders have until May 22nd to complete their hours. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. Brief.

Reminder! Doors at the STAA Marinette Campus do not open until 7:15 a.m. each day. Also, all students and visitors must use the front doors when entering or exiting the school.

Reminder! The length of shorts is to the knee. Also, shorts are not to be worn on Mass Days. Students are to wear uniform pants on Mass Days.

ATHLETIC NEWS

Sports Schedule through May 11, 2024

High School Baseball

May 6 @ Gillett – 4 pm (DH)

May 9 @ Wausaukee – 4:30 pm

May 10 @ Peshtigo – 4 pm (DH)

High School Softball

May 6 @ Wausaukee – 4 pm

May 9 @ Crivitz – 4:30 pm

May 11 @ Tri County – 9 am

High School Golf

May 6 @ Thornberry – 3:30 pm

May 9 @ North Shore – 3:30 pm

May 10 @ Crivitz - TBA

High School Track

May 10 @ Suring – 3:45 pm

Middle School Track

May 9 @ Peshtigo – 4 pm

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GO CAVVIES!



STAR WARS PROM
MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU!

North Shore Golf Club

Doors Open – 6:30 p.m.

Grand March – 7 p.m.

Dance – 7:30-10:30 p.m.