

**SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS ACADEMY  
NEWSLETTER**



*Mike Cattani, Principal  
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May 10, 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 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!**

**THIS WEEKEND!**

Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy  
Windsor Players Presents

**THE JUNGLE BOOK**

By Joseph Robinette.  
Based on the book by Rudyard Kipling

Friday May 10<sup>th</sup> & Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

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**TRANSPORTATION  
CHANGES**



**WESTLUND BUS RIDERS  
SHUTTLE BUS ONLY  
Friday Afternoon, May 17**

Elementary Students will be dropped off in the afternoon at the STAA Marinette Campus Parking Lot. (Marinette Schools have Early Release).

**KOBUSSEN BUS RIDERS  
NO BUSING for Elementary Students after  
Thursday, May 23 for the rest of the school year.**

However, the Shuttle Bus will run for Middle & High School Students. (Peshtigo Schools not in session after May 23).

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

**The Elementary Office will be closing at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29 and will remain closed for the summer.**

**The Middle & High School Office will be closing at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 30 and Friday, May 31.**

**The Middle & High School Office will be open during the summer on Mondays & Wednesdays from 8 a.m. – Noon beginning Monday, June 3, 2024.**



**YOU'RE INVITED!**

*The Knights of Columbus May Potluck will be held on Monday, May 13. Everyone is invited! You don't need to be a Knight to attend. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service. The Social begins at 5 p.m. at the KC Hall with dinner at 6 p.m. The Bishop from Fr. Celestine's home Diocese will be in attendance. Everyone is invited to come meet him!*

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS**  
**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!**



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*The St. Joseph SSVdP Conference, serving the Marinette and Peshtigo School District areas for 106 years, has two immediate needs beyond our usual assistance:*

- 1. Need of gas cards for one family - they have 18 medical trips to Milwaukee (three each week for the next 6 weeks).*
- 2. A seven-member family is in need of six mattresses and frames: 1 queen size, 1 full size, one set of twin bunk beds and two single twin beds.*

*If you can assist these families in need, please contact 715-923-9549 by phone, text, or email at [svdpsjcmarinette@gmail.com](mailto:svdpsjcmarinette@gmail.com).*

*Thank you in advance for answering the call of Matthew 25:42-45 "when I was hungry...". Living out the Gospel Message is a gift of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul by helping those in need in our community!*

### **ELEMENTARY NEWS**

There are permission slips in the family envelope that are due back on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Elementary students in PreK4-Grade 5 will be attending the **Baccalaureate Mass** on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at St. Joseph Church. The Academy wide Mass at 9:30 will show support for all of our seniors graduating! **White polos** and **uniform pants** should be worn on Thursday. Elementary students will not attend Mass on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at St. Mary.

The End-of-the-Year field trip to the **Wildlife Sanctuary and Bay Beach** will be on Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The cost is \$10 per student, \$5 for the bus and \$5 for tickets. Tickets will be purchased ahead of time so cash is preferred- thank you! We are still in need of chaperones. If you are interested, please contact the school office to sign up and complete the training required by the Green Bay Diocese.

Our Fifth Graders will be attending the **Middle School Awards** on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> in the afternoon. There is a chance that one of the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders may receive a scholarship.

The Elementary students graciously thank the **Prange Family** (Collin-Gr.9) for their donation of playground balls. So much recess fun!

**Safety Alert!** During the school hours of 7:45-2:45, no younger children/siblings may play on the school playground, due to liability reasons. We don't want any little ones to get hurt. Thank you!

Congratulations to Lucy Patz, a third grader from our St. Lucy class! She was voted **Student of the Month for April**. The quality of the month was **TRUTH**. Lucy is honest in all her interactions with both teachers and classmates. She tells the truth even if she is the one receiving a consequence. Lucy may be shy about it, but she wants to be sure that the truth is always told. Lucy is pictured below with Mrs. Brief and Fr. Ed.



### **May Events**



**May 16th: Baccalaureate Mass**  
9:30am at St. Joseph'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

### **MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

The Middle School Band will play at STAA Graduation on Friday, May 17th in the STAA gymnasium. Please see the important information below:

- 1) Band students should have their instruments and music (Haydn Fanfare and Ode to Joy) at school.
- 2) Students can wear school uniforms or nice clothes that follow the school dress code (no jeans please).
- 3) Students should report to the band room at 5:15 p.m. to get instruments and music and be ready to warm up in the gym at 5:30 p.m. to perform shortly before 6:00 p.m.
- 4) Band students are invited to stay to watch the graduation ceremony. It is a formal event requiring good audience behavior.
- 5) After the ceremony instruments and music should be returned to the band room. All school rules apply even though the event is in the evening. Check in with Mrs. Thornton before you leave graduation. **If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Thornton at [sthornton@staa-edu.us](mailto:sthornton@staa-edu.us).**

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 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. Ninth-Eleventh graders have until May 22<sup>nd</sup> to complete their hours. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. Brief.

### **ATHLETIC NEWS**

*Sports Schedule through May 18, 2024*

#### **High School Baseball**

- May 10 @ Green Bay Rockers - Niagara (DH) – 4 pm
- May 15 @ Menominee – 4:30 pm
- May 18 – Stephenson – 9:30 am (H)

#### **High School Softball**

- May 10 @ Gillett – 1 pm
- May 11 @ Tri County – 9 am

#### **High School Golf**

- May 10 @ Crivitz – 9 am
- May 14 @ Oak Crest – 3:30 pm
- May 15 @ Crivitz – 9 am

#### **High School Track**

- May 10 @ Suring – 3:45 pm
- May 14 @ Suring – 4:30 pm
- May 16 @ Manawa – 4 pm

#### **Middle School Track**

- May 13 @ Suring – 3:45 pm
- May 16 @ Suring – 3:45 pm

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**GO CAVVIES!**

