

Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy News

January 8, 2010

Academy News

The **Athletic Club Pizza Sale** is coming up on January 15-16. All profits will go to the Catholic Central Athletic Club and are used to pay for athletic programs at the Middle/High School. You should have received order forms before Christmas break. Each family is asked to sell 25 pizzas. The goal is to sell a minimum of 2200 pizzas, so every order counts!

Mardi Gras is fast approaching! It will be held on Saturday, February 6th in the STAA High School Gym. Volunteers are needed with set-up, selling tickets at the door, and clean-up on Sunday, February 7th in the morning. Please see the attached information in your brown envelope for more details.

Semester Exams will be held on January 21 and 22. These are **half days** for students at the Middle/High School Campus. This includes the 6th-8th grade students. Dismissal will be at 12:05 p.m.

There is also an **Early Release Day** on Monday, January 25 for the whole Academy. Dismissal times are 12:35 p.m. for Elementary and 12:50 p.m. for Middle/High School. **There will be bus service** as this is also an early release day for the public schools.

The **KC Hoops Shoot-Out** is coming up on January 17 at the STAA High School. Registration begins at 12:00 p.m. and the Shoot-Out begins at 1 p.m. Participants must be 10 years or older to participate. Trophies will be awarded for top places. You can contact Steve Paul at 587-0400 with any questions.

Anyone interested in joining the **Menominee Catholic Central Snowshoe Club** is welcome to do so. There are currently 25 members and more are always welcome. If your child is interested, you may contact MCC at 863-3190.



January 15-16-----Athletic Club Pizza Sale
January 21 and 22- -Semester Exams (**Early Dismissal – Middle/H. S. Campus**) **12:05 p.m.**
January 22-----End of 2nd quarter/1st semester
January 25-----Birthday Table - Elementary
January 25-----Early Release
-----Dismissal -12:35 – Elementary
-----12:50 – Middle/H.S.
January 29-----Report Cards Go Home
-----**Jean Day K-8**
January 31-----Catholic Schools Week Begins
February 6-----Mardi Gras 7 p.m. –
-----High School Gym



Home & School News

There are still a few flower cards available at each campus office. It's not too late to purchase one for the new year! They are \$25 each.

Elementary News

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the Biundo family. His grandparents from California were in a tragic accident before Christmas. Mrs. Biundo passed away and Mr. Biundo is still recovering from his injuries. May God be with them during this time.



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Thank you to all the room parents who provided donuts for our treat on December 22nd! The Pre-K through Grade 5 children enjoyed their donuts and juice boxes. They also gave the ornament they decorated to the person they were praying for during Advent. We ended our morning with the movie "Santa Buddies"!

During Advent, we focused on thinking of others. We will continue to do that into the new year! The classes have been working on their badges of honor. Our 4 virtues are respect, honesty, caring, and helping. Even as we finish our badges, we can use them as reminders of how we should be interacting with our classmates and others in our school.

The Library wishes to express a great deal of gratitude to our families for making this year's Scholastic Book Fair a success. We received \$716 in books because of our wonderful sales this year. I am overwhelmed with the parental support for reading! This is such a good message to send to our young people and I thank all of you for your support. A BIG thank you also to all the parents that came to "run the store" before and after school hours. We couldn't do it without your help! God bless you.

- Anita Folgert and the STAA Library

Middle School News

Thank you to the parents that contributed to the Taco Buffet Lunch on December 22nd. The students enjoyed their tacos and other treats before the Christmas holiday. We appreciate all that our parent volunteers do for us!

High School News

Earlier this week, a letter regarding enforcement of the dress code went home with Middle and High School students. The gist of it was that the code is about to be applied in earnest and students unwilling to comply face suspension. A few changes and clarifications have been noted: Polo shirts may have up to six buttons. "Twill" will be interpreted to include a variety of fabrics not specifically prohibited. Modesty issues will be judged by staff of the same sex as the student. I will add here that the broad definition of "khaki" will continue.

Attention Parents of Seniors: On Wednesday, the Josten representative met with all the seniors about ordering announcements and caps and gowns. Each student was given a packet, and the order form is in the packet. **Each senior must turn in an order form no later than Wednesday, January 12.** If you are not ordering announcements and name cards, the order form **must still be filled out with the information about the cap and gown.** The seniors are working diligently to sell Jozwiak Restaurant cards. This sale will enable the class to pay for the caps and gowns. If you have any questions concerning senior graduation activities, call the school and speak to Mr. Ziech or Mrs. Bruemmer, the senior class advisors.

