



Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic School Catholic Schools Week

Schedule of Events

January 30 – February 5, 2010

Saturday, January 30, 2010

Saint Thomas Aquinas School Parent representatives speak at the vigil masses at St. Pius, St. Anthony and St. Luke Parishes

Saint Thomas Aquinas students speak at vigil masses at our parish.

Sunday, January 31, 2010

Saint Thomas Aquinas students speak at all Masses at our parish

9:00 a.m. Family Mass with Saint Thomas Aquinas School choir singing

10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon Open House in school

Monday, February 1, 2010

***Regular Dress Uniforms worn 4-8
Casual Day dress for Bowling Grades K-3***

8:30 a.m. Opening prayer service in the gym. Parents welcome.

Explanation of week's activities to students by Miss Brady after the prayer service

"Change for Children" collection starts (see explanation at end of this document.)

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Students in grades K-3 go bowling!

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Casual Dress Day: Students must either wear BLUE in support of the faculty team or RED in support of Grade 8!

12:30 p.m. Faculty vs. Grade 8 Volleyball game in the gym. (Parents welcome)

Second Quarter Report Cards sent home with children

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

"Souper" Bowl collection. Students bring a can of soup in to be donated to a local soup kitchen. Those who do so may wear their favorite team jersey OVER THEIR UNIFORM!

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon provided by the HSA!

Thursday, February 4, 2010

Regular Uniform Day for Grades K-3
Casual Day Dress for Bowling in Grades 4-8

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. African Drumming Assembly in the gym.
Parents welcome.

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Students in Grades 4-8 go bowling!

Friday, February 5, 2010

Regular Dress Uniform today as we will attend Mass together.

8:30 a.m. Mass in church (Grandparents/Special Persons welcome as well as parents.)

Grandparents/Special Persons Day: Students may invite their grandparents or a special person to attend Mass and then visit them in the classroom.

Grandparent/Special Person Reception after Mass in the gym sponsored by the HSA. Entertainment by our school choir!

Change for Children Collection: All week students in Grades K-8 are encouraged to bring in pennies that will be placed in jars labeled by GRADE. All of the money collected will be donated to Catholic Relief Services for the people of Haiti; in particular the needs of the CHILDREN of Haiti who are in such need after the recent devastating earthquake. The grade that collects the most pennies at the end of the week will be treated to a casual day for just their class, an extra recess, and a special treat of a night of no homework from Ms. Brady during the second semester. Sounds simple right???? Not so! There is a catch...

You see while the pennies count toward a class total, silver and paper money do not...in fact, nickels, dimes, quarters and paper money placed into a jar will be subtracted from a class total. So, the competition could get interesting if, for example, a 5th grade student intentionally puts silver coins or paper money into the container of the 4th grade, thus causing their total to do DOWN! Right up to the last minute on Friday at lunch, classes who think they are in the lead could be beat by a simple \$5 bill! ALL money collected however, will go directly to the children of Haiti hoping to make a "change for children!" Start saving your pennies NOW!

Bowling? Has Miss Brady lost her mind? Nope! You are reading correctly. On Monday (Grades K-3) and Thursday (Grades 4-8) all students will have the opportunity to bowling during school hours. More specific information about this event will come home to parents very soon: permission slips, cost per student, transportation information, and of course parent chaperones.

Grandparent/Special Person Day: Friday, February 5th is the date set for students to invite their grandparents or a special person to school. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. in church followed by a presentation by our school choir in the gym and refreshments. After this, guests will be able to visit students in the classrooms. The event will end no later than 11:15 a.m. so that the children can go to lunch and recess. An invitation was sent home with your children on Thursday via backpacks and is also located on our school website.

Please join us in celebrating Catholic Schools this week!