

WHAT'S BUZZING AROUND THE HALLS OF SAINT THOMAS?

The BUZZ

DYNAMIC EDUCATION CENTERED IN CHRIST



Jan. 22-26, 2024

This week! ALL IN WEEK!

Check out this [ALL IN Week booklet](#) for more information about the week, including our Builders' Day – to help us with materials; use our [Builders' Day Sign Up Genius](#).

Sunday, Jan. 21 –

- **Special All In Week blessings at 9am and 11am Masses**
- **Rumble Game, 1pm, Gym.** STA faculty/staff/board members take on Area 11 Special Olympics Team, featuring our own Mr. Drew. Concessions, free throw contest and more! Join us!

Monday, Jan. 22 –

- **Mobility clinic in PE classes**

Tuesday, Jan. 23 – Universal design speaker at chapel

Wednesday, Jan. 24 – **BUILDERS DAY!** Students build models of inclusive playgrounds, using Universal Design.

- **All-school Missioning Mass, 8:20am.** Please remember Mass attire.
- **0-5ers Gym Time, 11am, Saint Thomas Gym**

Thursday, Jan. 25 –

- **Jeff and Johnny Agar, father/son endurance athletes, speak at chapel.**
- **Potluck lunch**

Friday, Jan. 26 –

- **Drumming Performance, 10am, Church Lower Level**
- **0-5ers Story Time DANCE PARTY, 11am, Ministry Center**
- **Lunchtime Karaoke!**

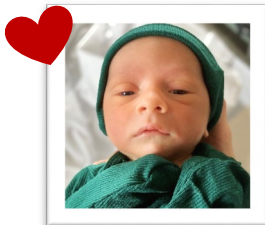


We are ALL IN! You belong here!

Sledding during PE for CSW

The PE classes will be sledding at Wilcox Park during Catholic Schools Week (Jan. 29-Feb. 2).

Kids should make sure to wear coats, snow pants, mittens, boots and bring sleds in to school on the day that they have PE.



Welcome, Littlest Hornet!

We want to welcome the newest member of our Saint Thomas community. Agustin Jennaro Noto was born on Jan. 5, 2024. Proud parents are Nicole and Scott Noto.

Welcome to the world, Agustin! If you'd like to help this family with a meal, please use our STA Home & School [Noto Family Meal Train sign up](#).

January lunch menu!

Here is our [January lunch menu](#). If your child wants school lunch, remind them to order it in the morning with their homeroom teacher. **Please note: Lunch on Wednesday, Jan. 24 has been changed to French toast sticks, sausage, fresh fruit and veggies.**

Home and School News!

Stock the Lounge: Let's show our appreciation for our teachers by stocking the lounge! Families with last names beginning in **K-L** can bring treats Jan. 22-Feb. 2. This year, you will only be asked to stock the lounge one time. Sign up using our [Stock the Lounge Sign Up](#). We appreciate your generosity!

Register for Cirque du Saint Thomas: Join us for a Family Dance, Feb. 3, 6-8pm. Dancing, crafts, snacks, photobooth – fun, fun and more fun! Register using the QR code in the image to the right.

Looking ahead!

Jan. 29-Feb. 2 – Catholic Schools Week

Jan. 31 – Round Up! (See flyer at the end of the Buzz and please note: **there is no regular preschool or kindergarten on Jan. 31 for Round Up!**)

Feb. 2 – Deadline to secure your student's spot for the 2024-25 school year

Feb. 3 – Cirque du Saint Thomas Family Dance

March 12-14 – Spring Book Fair



Blackbaud Financial Aid for 2024-25

The window to apply for financial assistance for the 2024-25 school year is open. Visit studentfinancialaid.blackbaud.school to get started and check out the [2024-25 Blackbaud/SMART parent application guide](#) and the [2024-25 parent instructions](#) for help.

Volunteer opportunities

Book Fair: The Book Fair Committee is looking for more members. The Committee meets for 1 hour weekly. And is looking for 1 or 2 people to join our organized and collaborative team! No experience necessary! If interested, comment on this post, contact our Librarian Sue Edgerly, or e-mail melissakrolewski@gmail.com for more details on how to get involved!

March is Reading Month: We are looking for someone to lead our March is Reading Month activities. If you are interested, please contact Genevieve Boyle at genyavello@hotmail.com.

Other stuff!

♥ **Parish events/opportunities:** Visit the [Saint Thomas parish website](#) for upcoming events.

♥ **West Catholic Events:** Visit the [West Catholic High School website](#) for upcoming events/admissions info.

♥ **Catholic Central Events:** Visit the [Catholic Central High School website](#) for upcoming events/admissions info.

Catholic Schools Week schedule

Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School

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Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 28 - Feb. 2, 2024

Sunday, January 28 – Celebrate your Parish

- Pack the Pews – Students wear uniforms to Mass
- Students speak at the end of Mass

Monday, January 29 – Celebrate your Community

- Kick off Traveling Rosary
- Student service projects

Tuesday, January 30 – Celebrate your Students

- Non-uniform day
- Kindergarten chapel talk
- Saint Thomas 8th graders and parents attend Mass at the Cathedral

Wednesday, January 31 – Celebrate your Nation

- Red/white/blue day Non-uniform Day
- Scouts speak at chapel
- Preschool and Kindergarten Round Up

Thursday, February 1 – Celebrate Vocations


- Tea with Father Jim and students
- Wine and cheese with Deacon Dean and Lori Vernon, Parents' Night, 6pm, Church Lower Level

Friday, February 2 – Celebrate your Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers

- All School Mass at 10:10am – Volunteer Blessing

Saturday, February 3 – Celebrate your Families

- Family Dance - Cirque du Saint Thomas, 6-8pm



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preschool/kindergarten ROUND UP! 2024

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Join us for Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School's Preschool/ Kindergarten Round Up 2024, to learn more about our early childhood programs!

When: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024
9-10:30am OR 6-7:30pm

Where: Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School
Ministry Center (behind school)
1429 Wilcox Dr. SE

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/JustuyaytdXmPR5x8>



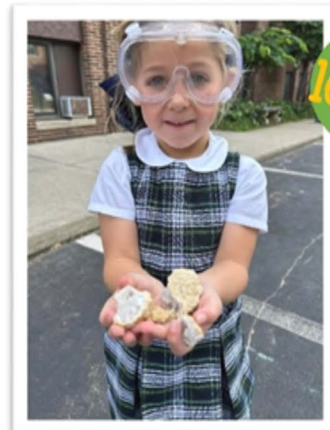
Parent information session while your future preschooler/ kindergartener participates in a mini-classroom session with our teachers! (Childcare for younger siblings is not provided.)



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