

# AQUINAS AMERICAN SCHOOL

*Middle School Newsletter*



## GREETINGS AQUINAS FAMILY! *November Snapshot*

- NOVEMBER PUEBLO - NOVEMBER 1ST - 4TH
- DAY OF THE VIRGIN OF ALMUDENA (NO SCHOOL) - NOVEMBER 9TH
- THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE - NOVEMBER 19TH - 22ND
- THANKSGIVING DAY MASS - NOVEMBER 22ND
- NO SCHOOL - NOVEMBER 23RD

## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



## THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



This Thanksgiving season, I would like to extend a special thank you to every member of the staff here at Aquinas for all of their hard work in providing the highest quality of education possible and ensuring that things run smoothly. I would also like to thank the families for their support and encouragement while collaborating with the school and also for the energy, attitude, and smiles that students bring with them every day in order to learn and grow.

Please remember that we will not be sending out quarterly grades this year. Advisors will be sending out emails to the families of students who are failing classes.

Best wishes,

- Mr. Trevor Sargent

This year we will once again be collecting food to donate to the Food Bank of Madrid. Every year the Food Bank organizes a food drive called Operación Kilo to collect donations of non-perishable goods. Last year over 20,000 tons of food were donated to the food bank which were distributed to more than 165,000 people in need. Please join our efforts this year by donating food from November 19th - 22nd. Thank you!

## MAP Testing

We have recently completed MAP testing this month. MAP, or the Measure of Academic Progress, is a computerized adaptive test which helps teachers, parents, and administrators improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote a child's academic growth. MAP testing took place during school hours from October 22nd to the 26th. Results will be sent out to families soon.

A parent's guide for understanding results can be downloaded at: <https://www.nwea.org/resources/parents-guide-map-growth/>

# Musical Theater Club

## Team Building Retreat

The Musical Theater Club students are going to enjoy an amazing Team Building Retreat that will take place from **November 16th to 17th** at the Encinas magical bungalow "La Kasetta." The students have already begun working hard in order to deliver an amazing performance in the Spring. This time spent together will be a great chance for them to bond and discover the power of unity.

City of Pozuelo de Alarcón recognized AAS students for Academic Excellence and Academic Merit at Teatro Mira on October 25th for the 2017/18 Academic Year



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Tomás Cañizales (Academic Excellence) and Carla del Olmo (Academic Merit)!



## 1st Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest



Thank you to all of the families who could make it to the Open House this year! We appreciate your support and collaboration.



Middle Schoolers Have Been Helping Out in Infantil



# Student Life Council

The results are in! It was a close race and we would like to thank all of you who ran for office and were interested in participating in the Student Life Council this year. The focus of the SLC is community building, fostering communication and collaboration, and organizing events and activities at AAS.

- Inés Fernández - President
- Pablo Gallego - Vice President
- Joaquin Heredia - Secretary
- Grace Hayes - Treasurer
- Olatz Marques - 8A Representative
- Raúl Méndez - 8B Representative
- Alex Mediavilla - 8C Representative
- Nacho Tafalla - 7A Representative
- Carla del Olmo - 7B Representative
- Namm Aswal - 6A Representative
- Martina Puertas - 6B Representative

