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"The soul of education is the education of the soul."
- Fr. Mac

Greetings Tartan Families!

I'm excited to share that we have secured our 3rd grade and 7th/8th Grade Language Arts teachers!!! I am thrilled to share that Mrs. Clara Swihart has accepted the 3rd grade position and Mrs. Kara Massey will be moving into the 7th/8th grade language arts position.

For those of you who have yet to meet Mrs. Clara Swihart, she said, "yes" to taking on our 5th grade long-term substitute position that opened in February. Mrs. Swihart joined us after retiring in 2017 from Holt Public Schools where she taught for 31 years. She currently holds a Michigan Continuing Certification and a Vocational Certification in business and technology. In addition to her irreplaceable experience in the classroom, Mrs. Swihart is also a parishioner of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish and lives her faith to the fullest.

We are beyond grateful Mrs. Clara Swihart and Mrs. Kara Massey will be taking on these new roles for the 2019-2020 school year and Mrs. Swihart and Mrs. Massey are looking forward to sharing their gifts and vocation with each of our students.

Although we are celebrating these wonderful teachers, we are also saying goodbye to our beloved 7th/8th grade science teacher, Mrs. Bridget Booth. We wish Mrs. Booth the best as she makes her transition to public school and we look forward to continuing to work with her on the outdoor classroom in the future.

As we continue our interviews, please know we are placing the highest priority on finding and hiring highly qualified, certified candidates to fill our teacher positions as we create true disciples of Christ and we are almost there! I look forward to sharing more information with you as we continue this process, so please look for more updates very soon!

Finally, please continue to hold our faculty, staff, and candidates in your prayers as we continue this important work of preparing for the great opportunities that lie ahead for St. Thomas Aquinas Parish School.

With a grateful heart,

Meghan Loughlin-Krusky

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