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Principal's Message

Dear Parents & Guardians,

A joyful Happy New Year to all! I hope that 2022 brings you and your families peace, health and happiness. I'm excited to join the Holy Name community and look forward to the year ahead. We certainly continue to find ourselves in challenging times as we continue to live through this pandemic. As we pivot to online learning we're mindful of the many stresses that come with school closures and we will do our best as a school and staff to persevere and work together during this temporary closure. We are in this together!

Transitioning to fully remote learning has been a smooth process and I am very proud of our staff's ability to engage and implement effective synchronous learning for our students. I'm also proud of the resilience of our students during this transition. In this short time, our students have shown great spirit, energy, and a positive mindset and I encourage that positivity to continue. With respect to the structure of the day, we continue to follow student schedules as closely as possible and begin the day with morning announcements and prayer at 9:05 AM. A gentle reminder, that if your child is absent please enter his/her absence using Safe Arrival as usual.

As Term 1 comes to an end early next month, I encourage ongoing and open communication and dialogue between teachers and parents/guardians. This dialogue is especially helpful during these periods of transition. Term 1 Report Cards are scheduled to be released on **Tuesday, February 8th**. Lastly, the new year also brings the Kindergarten registration process. Registration for the 2022–2023 school year is now officially open. In order to register, JK children must be born in 2018 and 4 years of age by December 31, 2022. Families are asked to visit www.ycdsb.ca to register online. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the school.

In closing, I want to thank you for your warm welcome to the school community. I already feel a great sense of belonging and community within my short time here. We look forward to Term 2 beginning in early February.

Stay safe and be well.

Sincerely,

Mr. Zorzi

Vision Statement

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic Values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

Core Values Excellence Equity Responsibility Catholicity Inclus

rategic Commitments Integration of Our Catholic Faith Effective Use of Our Resources Effective Use of Our Resources

January Prayer for Unity

God of harmony and unity, You want us all to work together to build your kingdom May our ears hear your voice clearly May our eyes see your beauty in all May our understanding break down walls of fear and prejudice May we make our school a place of friendship A place of belonging A place of belonging Where everyone feels safe Where everyone has a place Where all are united in You, dear God

Amen.

KEY DATES IN JANAURY

January: JK/SK Registration Now Open January 5-14th: Remote Learning January 14th: PA Day January 17th: Scheduled Return to Face-to-Face Learning

> <u>Winter Weather:</u> Please exercise caution around the school during snowy and icy conditions. While the Board and the school work to minimize slippery ice patches or other hazardous conditions, we caution everyone to use great care when walking in and around the school. Although we plow, shovel, salt, sand and mop, winter weather in Canada comes with its challenges. Thank you for your cooperation in minimizing falls!

Catholic Virtue: January UNITY

I will make everyone feel welcomed and

I will take some time to learn about the similarities and difference in my community

will empower people with my words not put them down by calling them names.

#differencemakers



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