

Greetings Holy Name Community,

In the event that schools are closed on Monday due to the ongoing labour action, we remind our Holy Name families that students are expected to log into their Google Classrooms for a day of live instruction starting at 9:00am. Attendance will be taken so if your child will be absent due to illness or appointment, please report the absence in Safe Arrival.

Technology:

If you require technology for your child(ren) to be able to access their Google Classroom and their synchronous instruction, please notify the school as soon as possible **if you did not** complete the request for technology Google Form at the beginning of November. All technology will be available for pick-up after 12:00 pm on Monday November 21st.

Volleyball Tournaments:

Congratulations to our Girl's Intermediate Volleyball team who played tremendously during their local tournament on November 15th, and emerged victorious. Through hard work, great sportsmanship and a dedication to team play, they were able to win decisively in the finals. Congratulations as well to our Boy's intermediate volleyball team who competed in their local tournament on November 16th. The boys showed a lot of skill and dug deep to put forth their best effort in all their games. Go Huskies!

Bullying Prevention Week:

We are celebrating Bullying Prevention Week this coming week at Holy Name. Students will have opportunities to participate in activities to highlight the effects of bullying, ways to stand up to bullying, and how they can make an impact to eliminate bullying. We also have many theme days going on this week to bring attention to Bullying Prevention Week. We hope our students will join us in showing their support for a positive school environment. Please see the [theme schedule](#). We will wrap up our Bullying Prevention Week with presentations from Sara Westbrook for students and parents.

Rescheduled Pizza Day:

Our rescheduled Pizza day from November 4th was scheduled to be made up on November 21st. Due to the impending labour action, this make-up day will need to be rescheduled again. We will let you know what the new date is for the make-up pizza day in the near future.

Book Fair:

The book fair got off to a fantastic start in the Holy Name Library Learning Commons on Monday November, 14th. Students enjoyed coming down to the Learning Commons to check out the book selections and novelties throughout the week and crafted their "wish lists". The Book Fair will continue until Friday November 25th and parents are encouraged to go to the [online store](#) and place their order for their child(ren), as books make wonderful Christmas gifts!. Please see the [attached flyer](#) for more information.

Sara Westbrook Presentations:

The Holy Name community is excited to welcome Sara Westbrook for some engaging presentations on Tuesday November 29th. She will be presenting to our kindergarten to grade 3 classes at 10:50am and the grade 4-8 classes at 1:00pm to speak about strategies to support having a healthy resilient mind. Sara Westbrook will also be putting on an engaging evening presentation for parents with clear strategies to help parents nurture their child's emotional well-being. If you plan to attend the parent presentation, please RSVP on the [response form](#).

Hearing Clinic:

The hearing clinic for Holy name is currently scheduled for Tuesday November, 22nd. If you are interested in having your child's/children hearing tested, please print off and complete the permission form. Students will need to have a completed permission form and payment with them on the day of the hearing clinic in order to be tested. [Information Form](#) & [Permission Form](#)

STREAM Centre Visit:

One of our grade 7 classes (Mr. Cristan's class) will visit the STREAM Centre of Excellence on Friday. Students will engage in lead-up activities this week and then put their planning and creativity into action when they visit the STREAM Centre and get an opportunity to see their plans in action.

Winter Weather:

Love it or hate it, winter weather has arrived! Please make sure your child(ren) are dressed appropriately for winter conditions with boots, hats and gloves. Students will be going outside for every recess unless temperatures hit or drop below -18 degrees Celsius. It is always a good idea to pack students with extra gloves and socks in case they get wet during recess, and we request that no snowball makers be sent to school.

Parking Lots Reminders:

The parent drop off loop is meant for quick pull-ins and departures. Kindly do not park and/or leave your vehicle unattended in any part of the drop off loop.

Catholic School Council:

A reminder we have a Catholic School Council meeting this Wednesday starting at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Civvies Day:

Unbelievably, this coming Friday is the last Friday of November, which means students will get to enjoy a civvies day to end this week.

Save the Date:

Breakfast with Santa is back! Please see the [flyer attached](#) and 'save the date' for Saturday December, 10th.

Safe Arrival Reminder:

Parents and guardians are required to report their child(ren)'s absence or late arrival in advance, or before bell time for the current day by accessing the Elementary Safe Arrival Program using any of the three methods below:

- Toll Free Safe Arrival Phone Number 1-855-856-7862
- The Safe Arrival SchoolMessenger website: go.schoolmessenger.ca
- The SchoolMessenger App from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store

Upcoming Events:

- Thursday November 24th: Girl's Volleyball Area Tournament
- Saturday December 10th: Breakfast with Santa
- Thursday December 22nd: Advent Mass @ 9:30 a.m.

Wishing you a wonderful week,

C.Zorzi
Principal

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Vice Principal