

Greetings Holy Name Community,

We hope you had a great Family Day weekend with family and friends. This week marks an important time in the liturgical calendar. On Wednesday February 22 the season of Lent begins. It is a time to reflect and begin our journey towards Easter through fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Shrove Tuesday: Thank you to CSC for organizing and continuing this tradition with our students. Shrove Tuesday will take place on February 21. Consent forms were sent home last week. Please ensure that your child has returned the consent form so they may receive pancakes. Consent forms will be accepted on Tuesday morning if it has not already been returned. We look forward to a great day celebrating this beautiful tradition.

Ash Wednesday Mass: We look forward to welcoming Father John on Wednesday February 22 to celebrate mass as we mark the beginning of our Lenten Journey to Easter. We thank our grade 1 classes and teachers that have been busy preparing this mass for the school. Mass will begin at 9:30 am. All are welcome to attend.

Term One Report Cards: Term One Report Cards will be made available through the Parent Portal on February 22 after 4:00 pm. For detailed instructions on registering, using the portal and/or seek support please visit:

<https://sites.google.com/ycdsb.ca/ycdsbparentportal>

All are encouraged to sign on to the parent portal in advance of this date to ensure your username and password will allow access to your child's report card.

Pink Shirt Day: We will recognize Pink Shirt Day on Wednesday February 22nd, in support of our ongoing commitment and efforts in creating a bully free environment here at Holy Name. All are welcome to wear something pink.

Loonie/Toonie Day: YCDSB is partnering with the Archdiocese of Toronto to help the People of Turkey and Syria. Schools throughout the York Catholic DSB are coming to the assistance of those who were affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. Thousands of people in Turkey and Syria are now homeless in winter weather conditions after some of the largest earthquakes in the past 100 years destroyed buildings across the region. Donations are urgently needed for medical, rescue and humanitarian efforts across the region.

On **Thursday February 23, Holy Name CES** will be hosting a "Loonie/Toonie Day" to live our faith by helping those affected by the earthquakes. All are encouraged to bring in a loonie/toonie on this day. Let's show our Husky pride and send a message of hope, love and compassion to those most in need.

Healthy School Student Committee Smile Campaign: The Healthy School Student Committee has launched a "*Catch A Smile*" campaign for the month of February. This campaign will focus on promoting positive relationships between students, both inside and outside of the classroom. Students will receive a smile ticket for sharing, playing well at recess, including classmates, etc. At the end of the month each ticket will be entered into a draw where a student from each division will be selected to win a pizza lunch in the library with 4 friends. Let's continue to foster healthy interactions and create a positive school environment at Holy Name.

Parish News: For Sacred Heart Parish news, please see the Church [Bulletin](#)

Upcoming dates:

February 20th - Family Day (no school)

February 21st - Shrove Tuesday

February 22nd - Ash Wednesday Mass with Father John @ 9:30 am

- Term One Report Cards go home
- Pink Shirt Day

February 24th - Civvies Day

- LEGO Lunch Program Begins

Have a wonderful week,

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Principal

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Vice Principal