

Greetings Holy Name Community,

The month of May began with many wonderful opportunities to come together as a school community and celebrate Catholic Education. Students were engaged in many activities, lessons and reflections throughout the week centered around the theme, "We Are many, We Are One!" Classes had an opportunity to come together and create friendship bracelets and artwork. Each student reflected and highlighted their gratitude and special skills through gratitude chains and a whole school display in our front foyer. The month continues to be an exciting and busy one as students engage in various activities and learning rooted in our Catholic faith and dedication to Mother Mary.



Luke 4:18 Milk Bag Weaving Day: On Tuesday, May 9th, Luke 4:18 along with volunteers from Milk Bags Unlimited will be hosting a milk bag weaving day! Each class will have the opportunity to have hands-on experience in making these incredible mats. The mats will be donated across Canada and in countries where natural disasters strike. Thank you to the Luke 4:18 club and Mrs. Brac in organizing and bringing this great initiative to our school community.

Toronto Maple Leaf/School Spirit Day: On Monday, May 8th we celebrate the spring season and the Toronto Maple Leafs. Students and staff are invited to wear their favourite Toronto Maple Leaf (or team of their choice) jersey or clothing, accessories, and/or team colours. If students are not sports fans they are welcome to wear civvies of their choice.

Junior Girls and Boys Basketball Tournaments: Good luck to our Junior Girls and Boys who will be competing at upcoming basketball tournaments this week. The Junior Boys will be competing on Wednesday May 10 and Holy Name has the pleasure of hosting the Girls Basketball Tournament on Thursday May 11. Thank you to Mr. Takaoka for his leadership and guidance in preparing these teams for this competition. *GO HUSKIES GO!!*

Welcome to Kindergarten: On Friday May 12 we are happy to welcome new Kindergarten families and students to the Holy Name Community for the 2023/24 school year. We look forward to meeting the newest members of our school as we prepare for a great start in September.

Immunization Clinics for Grade 7 and 8 Students: York Region Public Health completed an immunization clinic for Grade 7 & 8 students on April 24. If your child missed the clinic on this day, please see the attached flyer for further information on how to schedule an appointment to receive immunization for your child. [York Region Public Health Immunization Clinic](#)

2023-24 School Year: If you are *not* returning to Holy Name for the next school year due to transferring schools, enrolling in the French Immersion program or moving, please let the school know once confirmed and as soon as possible. This information is crucial for the successful and accurate planning for the 2023-24 school year. Your support and attention to this matter are greatly appreciated.

School Dress Code: A reminder that for the rest of the week/year (except for designated days) students are to be in the proper school dress code. For more information regarding our school dress code please visit our school website at <https://hne.ycdsb.ca/> -(navigate to the tab 'Our School' - 'Dress Code').

A gentle reminder that black tops are not a part of our school dress code as well as any clothing with large logos/designs of any kind. Also, as the weather begins to warm up, students are reminded to be in dress code appropriate for school. Students are not permitted to wear; tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, halter tops, flip flops or crocs. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring students are in proper school dress code.

School Day Cashless System: The School Day Cashless System at Holy Name has begun with a successful start with close to 50% of our families registered thus far. There is no fee to sign up for the School Day App. When using the system, there is a 3% service charge applied to the cost of each transaction. To register, follow the instructions found in the email sent on Monday May 1st. This email contains specific instructions on how to register with an individualized **Secure-Match™ Key password**.

The School Day Cashless System provides real-time, secure access to up-to-date information and the ability to:

- complete online payments for trips, hot lunch and other activities;
- avoid the risks associated with sending money to school with your child;
- approve permission forms instantly online;
- reduce the environmental impact of photocopying permission forms and announcements;
- register your child for extra-curricular events;
- update your mobile device with calendar events specific to your child.

We have already begun using this efficient and convenient tool for the upcoming Grade 2 Rosary Making workshop. Parents have been able to provide consent and payment through the School Day Cashless System which can be accessed from any web browser. We will be continuing to use the School Day Cashless System for the remainder of the year. Some upcoming school events that will be made available through the School Day System include the Junior Division Dance Workshops, Scientist in the School (Kindergarten classes) and the 2022/2023 School Yearbook purchase.

We look forward to reaching our goal of 100% of our families participating in using this tool. Please contact the school if you have any questions or need assistance.

Parish News: The Sacred Heart Parish Fundraiser in support of the Narthex Project continues. There are many great prizes to be won. Please contact the school if you wish to purchase tickets. Please see the link for further information and for additional Sacred Heart Parish news. [Church Bulletin](#)

Upcoming dates:

May 8: School Spirit/Maple Leaf Day

May 9: Milk Bag Weaving Day

May 10: CSC meeting @ 7:00 pm in the library

-Junior Boys Basketball Tournament

May 11: Junior Girls Basketball Tournament at Holy Name

May 12: Welcome to Kindergarten

May 14: Mother's Day

May 16: Team/Club Pictures

May 17: Jump Rope For Heart Kickoff

-Grade 2 Rosary Bracelet Workshop

May 18: Mr. D'Amata and Mrs. Gizzo's Grade 5 classes visit the YCDSB

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Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, expectant mothers, adoptive mothers, foster mothers, step mothers and all those who play an important mothering role in the lives of others. The Holy Name Staff wish you a beautiful day filled with love and joy!

Have a wonderful week,

*C. Zorzi
Principal*

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