Greetings Holy Name Community,

The week ahead is full of excitement as we celebrate Halloween with the FDK Halloween Howl and the Dance-a-thon Fundraiser. The hallways and front foyer of the school are filled with many beautiful displays of Halloween art and decorations. Please visit our website or twitter account to view a snapshot of the great learning and wonderful art happening at the school. Website: <u>www.hne.ycdsb.ca</u> Twitter: @HolyNameCES

Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser:

The Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser is beginning to wrap up. On <u>Tuesday October 31,</u> <u>2023</u>, students will enjoy an hour of dancing to music with friends. For safety reasons, parents/guardians are not permitted to join their child's class during this event.

All pledges collected must be brought to the school by <u>Tuesday October 31</u> in the envelope previously provided. Please ensure your child's name and grade are clearly labeled on the envelope (one envelope per student). For every \$10 collected students will receive a ballot to enter into a draw of various prizes of their choice. Please see the attached link for a list of prizes collected thus far. The raffle draw of prizes will be held during the week of November 6, 2023. <u>Halloween Dance-a-thon Fundraiser Prizes</u> We are looking forward to a Spooktacular Halloween Dance-a-thon!

Halloween Costumes: As we look forward to Halloween Day students are invited to wear costumes or the colours orange and purple on this day. If students choose to wear a costume please note the following reminders when choosing a costume to wear to school:

- All students are reminded that costume props, and/or replica weapons including, but not limited to, toy guns, knives, axes, swords, etc., may not be brought to school.
- Masks as part of a costume are not to be worn at school as they present a safety risk, and some masks may even be quite scary to the younger students.
- Costumes should be respectful of the diversity in our communities and therefore should not reflect symbols or objects representative of another person's culture and/or race that may trivialize, devalue, or appropriate any culture or race. Costumes that mock social identities through stereotyping are also unacceptable.
- Students are discouraged from wearing costumes that are not appropriate to the moral tone of our Catholic schools.

If students are unsure about their costume idea, they should speak with their classroom teacher and/or administration. We are looking forward to a fun and respectful Halloween for all.

Grade 7 & 8 Post Immunization Clinic Information: York Region Public Health is hosting community clinics for any student that missed the immunization clinic at the school. The attached link provides information on community clinics. <u>YRPH Community Immunization Clinics</u>

Creative Club Lego & Robotics Program: The Creative Club will be returning to our school with a lunchtime Lego & Robotics Program. This nine week program will run with two sessions as follows:

- The Build and Design with Bricks (Grade 1-6) will begin the week of November 20, 2023
- The World Of Robotics (Grade 1- 8, split into two groups) will begin the week of January 8, 2024

Please see the attached link for further information and online registration. Lego & Robotics Information and Registration Link

Hearing Clinic: The School Screening Association will be visiting our school to conduct their annual hearing screening clinics. The Hearing Clinics will take place on <u>Monday</u> <u>November 6 and Tuesday November 7, 2023.</u> Please see the attached links for further information and consent form. If you require a hard copy of the consent form, please contact the office or your child's teacher.

Hearing Clinic Information Hearing Clinic Consent Form

Parish News: For Sacred Heart Parish news, please see the <u>Church Bulletin</u>

Upcoming Dates:

October 30: FDK Halloween Howl (FDK students are invited to wear orange and black) -STREAM Center Visit Mrs. Battaglia's Grade 5 class October 31: Halloween Dance-a-Thon November 1: Grade 8 visit to Cardinal Carter CHS -Cardinal Carter CHS Open House 7:00 pm November 6: Hearing Clinic November 7: Hearing Clinic November 10: All Saints/All Souls Day mass with Father John at 9:30 am

Have a wonderful week,

C. Zorzi	F. Rossy
Principal	Vice Principal