

Greetings Holy Name Community,

The cold weather is definitely upon us as we enter the last week of November. As the temperatures continue to cool down please ensure your child(ren) is prepared for the weather with coats, hats and gloves. Also please ensure that your child(ren) has indoor and outdoor shoes so that we may keep our classrooms and school safe and clean for staff and students.

Principal for the Day: On Monday, November 27, Sophia D (Grade 2 student) will be our honorary *'Principal for the Day.'* Sophia has already begun her role as she has declared Monday an official 'Cozy Day'. Students are invited to wear their favourite PJs or cozy clothing on this day. Sophia has planned several fun and exciting things for the students of Holy Name which will be announced throughout the day. We are looking forward to having Sophia be a part of the administration team on Monday.

Christmas Charity Drives: The Luke 4:18 club has kicked off their Christmas Charity Drives. The charity drives are in support of the Rose of Sharon and the YRP Holiday Heroes Toy and Gift Card Drive. These great initiatives will help to ensure a wonderful Christmas for those in need within York Region. Please see the attached flyers for further details. These drives will run from Monday November 27 to Friday December 1, 2023. [Candy Cane Grams Flyer](#) [Holiday Heroes Toy Drive Flyer](#)

Scholastic Book Fair: The Scholastic Book Fair will be held from November 27-December 8 in the library. Students will have an opportunity to purchase various books in support of our library. Dates and times for purchase by each classroom will be shared by your child(ren)'s classroom teacher. Parents are invited to visit the library each day from 12-12:45 pm to purchase items for your child(ren).

Breakfast with Santa: The annual Breakfast with Santa will take place on Saturday December 9, 2023 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. An official invitation and R.S.V.P for the event will be shared through the school messenger this coming week. Thank you CSC for organizing this school community event for our students.

Messy Hands Lunchtime Program: The Messy Hands Lunchtime program will be returning to Holy Name. The program will run every Tuesday in the library from December 5, 2023 to March 5, 2024. Please see the attached flyer for details and the registration link. [Messy Hands Lunchtime Program Flyer](#)

School Day Online Cashless System Updates: The online cashless system has been a great success so far this year. The following items are now available on School Day for consent and payment:

- **FDK - Grade 6:** Excursion to Cineplex Odeon Aurora Theater to watch “Journey to Bethlehem,” on Thursday December 7. Online consent forms and payment are due Friday December 1, 2023
- **Grade 7 & 8:** Excursion to Snow Valley for a day of snow tubing on January 18, 2024. Online consent forms and payment are due Friday December 8, 2023.
- The second phase of the Hot Lunch program will be made available in the coming weeks.

Please call the school if you need assistance with using the School Day Online Cashless System.

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

Upcoming Dates:

November 27-December 8: Scholastic Book Fair

November 27-December 1: Candy Cane Grams/Holiday Heroes Toy Charity Drives

November 27: Cozy Day (staff and students are invited to wear PJ or Comfy clothing)

November 28: YCDSB STREAM Center Trip with Mr. D’Amata’s Grade 5 class

December 1: Bonus Civvies Day (Dance-A-Thon Incentive)

December 3: First Day of Advent

December 7: FDK-Grade 6 Trip to Cineplex Odeon Aurora Theater

December 8: Advent/Immaculate Conception Mass with Father John at 9:30 am in the gym

December 9: Breakfast with Santa

December 13: FDK & Primary Christmas Concert [FDK & Primary Christmas Concert](#)

-Grade 8 Highschool Registration Due [Highschool Registration Info](#)

Have a wonderful week,

C. Zorzi
Principal

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Vice Principal