## **Greetings Holy Name Community,**

This week marks Bullying Awareness - Radiating Kindness Week at Holy Name. Throughout the week students will engage in discussions and activities around bullying awareness and spreading kindness. The Healthy Schools Committee will be kicking off a Kindness Campaign where students will receive kindness tickets when they are 'caught' being kind. The goal as a school is to fill up our kindness box in the office to earn a PJ Movie afternoon before the Christmas Holidays.

Classes will also be participating in a school wide activity on <u>Wednesday November 22</u>. Classes will join together and engage in discussions and an art activity focussing on the book, *"The Power Of One: Every Act Of Kindness Counts,"* by Trudy Ludwig. Please see the attached poster for a glance at our Radiating Kindness Week. <u>Radiating Kindness Week</u>

**Christmas Charity Drives:** The Luke 4:18 club will be kicking off their Christmas Charities Drive this week. The charity drives include Candy Cane Grams in support of the Rose of Sharon and the Holiday Heroes Toy and Gift Card Drive in collaboration with York Regional Police. These drives will run until Friday December 1, 2023. Please see the attached letter for further details. <u>Luke 4:18 Christmas Charity Drives</u>

Halloween Fundraiser Update: Our fundraiser has been a big success. Our school was filled with anticipation and excitement as the winners from the draw prizes were announced last week. The top three winning classes overall included Mrs. Cristello (Gr. 3), Mrs. Fischetti (FDK) and Mrs. D'Alimonte (FDK). The top classes per division included Mrs. Fischetti (FDK), Mrs. Cristello (Gr. 3), Mr. D'Amata (Gr. 5), Mrs. Brac (Gr. 7). These five classes have won a pizza lunch (date to be determined). Due to the overwhelming response and efforts in exceeding our goal, all students will receive an extra recess and an extra civvies day (date to be determined). We are happy to announce that Sophia Da Silva has won the 'Principal for the Day," prize. We are excited and look forward to the various things that Sophia is planning for our school. Thank you again to our CSC, school community and local businesses in making this event a great success.

**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. More information will be sent home in the coming week.

**Save the Date - FDK & Primary Christmas Concert:** The FDK and primary students have begun preparing for the Christmas Concert. The concert will take place on <u>Wednesday December 13, 2023.</u> Please see the attached SAVE THE DATE POSTER for further information and times. <u>Save the Date - FDK & Primary Christmas Concert</u>

**Save the Date - Breakfast with Santa:** The annual Breakfast with Santa will take place on <u>Saturday December 9, 2023 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.</u> We are looking forward to coming together as a school community for another great event. Please see the attached letter from CSC for new or gently used items that are needed to mark the upcoming Holiday season at Holy Name. <u>Donation of New & Gently Used Christmas Items List</u>

**High School Registration:** High School Registration for Grade 8 students has opened. An email was sent out to all grade 8 parent/guardian(s) last week with registration information and links to register. Registrations are due by December 13, 2023. Please visit the following link for timelines and further information. <u>https://www.ycdsb.ca/admissions/secondary-registration/</u>

Parish News: For Sacred Heart Parish news, please see the Church Bulletin

## **Upcoming Dates:**

November 20-24: Bullying Awareness - Radiating Kindness Week <u>Radiating Kindness Week</u> November 20: Lego & Robotics Program begins November 22: CSC meeting in the library at 7:00 pm November 24: Civvies Day November 27-December 8: Scholastic Book Fair November 27: Charity Drives Candy Cane Grams/Holiday Heroes Toy Drive begins

## Have a wonderful week,

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