

Greetings Holy Name Community,

Welcome to the second week of Advent. This week we light the second purple candle of Advent known as the candle of Love. The light of this candle reminds us of the coming of Jesus, the light of our world who brings us hope and fills us with God's love.

The Catholic Virtue for December is *Hope*. This focus for this virtue is:

- ❖ I will prepare for Christmas by waiting with Hope, Faith, Joy and Love;
- ❖ With God's grace, I will never give up hope;
- ❖ I will maintain a positive attitude and look for the brighter side of situations.

Breakfast with Santa: The Breakfast with Santa was a big success. It was a wonderful morning of Christmas crafts, letters to Santa, pancakes, a magic show and photos with Santa. A special thank you to Coppas (King City), Food Basics (Oak Ridges), Tim Hortons (King City), McDonalds (King City) and King Fire Department for the tremendous support of this event. Thank you to the many families that attended and supported the Food Drive in support of King Township Food Bank. Donations of non perishable food items will continue to be collected throughout this coming week. A heartfelt Thank you to CSC and the many volunteers for the many hours of preparation in organizing this great event and bringing our school community together during the Holiday season. Please visit our school Twitter page (also found on our school website) for highlights of the morning www.hne.ca twitter.com/HolyNameCES

FDK and Primary Christmas Concert: Our FDK and Primary students have been busily preparing for their Christmas concert. The concert will be held on Wednesday December 13, 2023. The Kindergarten performance will take place at 9:30 am and the grade 1-3 performance will begin at 10:30 am. We are looking forward to a great concert and celebrating the holiday season together. [FDK & Primary Christmas Concert](#)

Christmas Holiday Fun Week: In the spirit and fun of the Holiday season, we will be having a Christmas Holiday Fun Week from December 18-22. All are invited to join in the different theme days each day. Please see the attached flyer for details on each day. [Christmas Holiday Fun Week](#)

Hot Lunch Orders (PHASE 2): Phase 2 of the Hot Lunch program will run from **January 8 to March 28** and is now available for all students on the School Day Cashless System. The Hot Lunch program will continue to run five days a week with the following vendors:

Monday: Sunset Grill
Tuesday: Galina's BBQ
Wednesday: Nonna's Oven
Thursday: Subway
Friday: Pizza Nova

All orders are due on Friday December 22, 2023. Please contact the office if you need assistance with ordering through the School Day Cashless System or require a hard copy of the order forms. If you have any questions about the Hot Lunch Program please contact Sandra Volpe at sandra.volpimorelli@ycdsb.ca

Messy Hands Lunchtime Program: The Messy Hands Lunchtime program has begun. Please note the following changes for those students that have registered for the program: Grade 1 & 2 students will be each Tuesday and Grade 3 & 4 students will participate in the program on Thursdays. The program will run until March 5, 2024.

Dental Screening Program: The Dental Screening Program will take place on January 8, 2024. All students in JK, SK, Grade 2 and Grade 7 will be screened along with any other student that has requested the screening. Please see the attached links for further information.

[York Region Public Health Dental Screening 2024](#) [Accessing Your Child's Screening Results](#)

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

Upcoming Dates:

December 13: FDK & Primary Christmas Concert

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

December 18-22: Christmas Holiday Theme week [Christmas Holiday Fun Week](#)

December 18: FDK Craft Extravaganza

December 25-January 5: Christmas Holiday Break (No School)

Have a wonderful week,

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Principal

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Vice Principal