

Greetings Holy Name Community,

Happy Lunar New Year! We would like to wish all families celebrating during this joyous time a year filled with happiness and good fortune. The week begins with our Grade 8 students leading us in a Black Heritage Month Liturgy. On *Monday February 12* we will come together as a school honouring the many achievements and contributions of people of African Ancestry through prayer and reflection.

In keeping with and recognizing the importance of Ash Wednesday as a solemn and reflective time, Valentine's Day celebrations will occur on *Tuesday February 13* along with Shrove Tuesday celebrations. Students are invited to wear Red, White and Pink on this day.

This week also marks the beginning of Lent in the liturgical calendar. It is a time of preparing for Easter through prayer and reaching out to others and reflecting on what is truly important in our lives. We welcome Father John on *Wednesday February 14* as we celebrate Ash Wednesday mass as a school to mark the beginning of this important time. We are looking forward to a great week of celebrations, coming together and beginning our journey to Easter.

Shrove Tuesday: Shrove Tuesday is on Tuesday February 13, 2024. Pancakes will be served throughout the morning to each class on this day. Thank you to CSC and the many volunteers for organizing and bringing this celebration to our school community. Thank you to the Varone family for the donation of the pancake mix for this event. We are looking forward to a fun morning.

Term One Report Cards: Term One Report Cards will be available on the Parent Portal on Tuesday February 13, 2024. These can be accessed by visiting our school's website, www.hne.ycdsb.ca and clicking on the 'Parents' link at the top of the page. For detailed instructions on registering, using the portal and to seek support please visit, <https://sites.google.com/ycdsb.ca/ycdsbparentportal>.

Grade Eight Graduation Photos: The Grade 8 Graduation photos will take place on Tuesday February 27, 2024. More details will be provided closer to the date. The photo retake day has been scheduled for Tuesday April 9, 2024.

School Day Event Added: The FDK and Primary Classes will be heading to the City Playhouse Theater to watch Goldirocks. GoldiRocks is a parody of the famous book, GoldiLocks and the Three Bears. The play is presented in a fun and interactive manner that is engaging for all. The cost for this trip is \$30.00. Payment and consent forms can be completed online through School Day. Payment is due Monday February 12, 2024. Please call the school if you need assistance.

School Day Transactions Information: Items purchased through School-Day will have a similar description to this: ***BAM*YCDSB-XXXX Victoria BC***

- *BAM indicates that it is a Bambora transaction.*
- *YCDSB-XXXX will identify the Board and school acronym.*
- *Victoria BC - Bambora is based in BC, so the transaction location does not match the actual location.*

If you see this on your bank statement, please review your School-Day activity before disputing the charge with your credit card provider. Please call the school if you have any questions.

Parking Lot Reminders: The safety of students is paramount at Holy Name CES. The ‘Kiss N Ride’ area acts as a drop off/pick up loop and fire/emergency route. Please note the following reminders:

- We ask that parents/guardians not park/leave their vehicles unattended to help ensure a steady and safe flow of traffic;
- Use caution when in the parking lot: be mindful of students, families and staff
- Please do not enter the side staff parking lot

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

Upcoming Dates:

February 12: Black Heritage Month Liturgy

-Goldirocks Play at City Playhouse Trip Consent and Payment Due (K-3)

February 13: Shrove Tuesday & Valentine Celebration (Red/ White/Pink Day)

-Term One Report Cards available on the Portal

February 14: First day of Lent

-Ash Wednesday mass with Father John in the gym at 9:30 am.

February 19: Family Day (no school)

February 21: Goldirocks Play at City Playhouse (FDK)

February 22: Goldirocks Play at City Playhouse (Gr. 1-3)

February 23: Civvies Day

Have a good week,

C. Zorzi
Principal

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Vice Principal