

## Greetings Holy Name Community,

This week “*We Are Called to Love*,” as we celebrate Catholic Education Week (May 5-11). Holy Name CES will be celebrating Catholic Education Week with various activities focussing on the theme, “*We Are Called To Love*.” The following are a list of activities taking place during CEW:

- STEM Minds workshops for all classes (May 6-May 16)
- Virtual Rosary: As a whole school each day we will pray a decade of the rosary
- Collaborative School Art Display
- CEW mass with Father John on Friday May 10

All are invited to attend the Province Wide Mass on Wednesday May 8, 2024 at 11:00 am. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines and President of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario and will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. Please click [HERE](#) to access the live stream. A video recording will be available if you are unable to attend this time.

This week is also Children’s Mental Health Week with the theme, “*A Call To Be Kind*.” This national event takes place every year during the first week in May and encourages people to reflect and engage with others on all issues relating to mental health. As a school we look forward to the week as we come together and engage in many faith filled activities.

**Catholic Education Week Mass:** We are happy to welcome Father John on Friday May 10 at 9:30 am to celebrate mass with our school. Thank you to the grade 3 classes for preparing the mass for our school this week. All are welcome to attend.

**CSC Fundraiser update:** Thank you to the school community for your support and thank you to CSC for organizing this fundraiser for our school and students. In total we have raised just over \$5000 in cookie dough and frozen pizza sales. These funds will be used to purchase technology and resources for our school. In addition the top-selling class from each division will receive a Giant Cookie Party and as we have met our fundraising goal an extra recess will be awarded to the entire school! Way to go Huskies!

A reminder that pick up for both pizza and cookie dough will be on **Monday, May 6th from 3:30pm - 5:30pm at the main entrance of the school**. Please ensure your order is picked up as soon as possible to ensure the products stay frozen and return to freezer storage in a timely manner. This is important and will ensure a safe and quality product. **(IMPORTANT: If you cannot make that time please send a delegate as there is no storage space at school for frozen items).**

**STEM Minds Workshops:** We are excited to begin the STEM Minds workshops this coming week from May 6th to May 16th. The deadline for payment has been extended to **Friday May 10** and can be done through the School Day Online Cashless System. Please see the attached letter for more information. [STEM Minds Workshops](#)

**School Day Cashless System:** The following events are currently open for consent and payment on the School Day Cashless System:

- STEM Minds Workshops: payment and consent forms are due Friday May 10, 2024
- Grade 3 LegoLand Discovery Trip: payment and consent forms due Friday May 10, 2024
- Grade 4 Bruce's Mill Conservation Trip: payment and consent forms due Friday May 10, 2024
- Grade 6 Trip to The ROC: payment and consent forms are due Friday May 10, 2024. A separate consent form required by The ROC facility was sent home and must be signed and returned to the classroom teacher.

**2023/2024 Yearbook Cover Contest:** Calling all Artists in grade 4-8! The 2023/2024 Yearbook Cover contest will run from May 1st to May 31st for all students in grades 4-8. All hand drawn submissions must be on an 8.5x11 page with portrait orientation and include the school name and year. Staff will narrow the submissions down to the top 10 and all students will have an opportunity to vote for the winning cover design.

**Indoor/Outdoor Shoes:** All students should have indoor and outdoor shoes to continue to ensure the safety of our students and staff and to maintain clean indoor spaces within our school.

**2023-24 School Year:** Planning for the 2024/2025 school year has begun. If you are planning on registering your child or know of anyone that would like to register at our school, please visit the YCDSB website. In addition, if you are **not** returning to Holy Name for the next school year due to transferring schools, enrolling in the French Immersion program or moving, please let the school know once confirmed and as soon as possible. This information is crucial for the successful and accurate planning for the 2024-25 school year. Your support and attention to this matter are greatly appreciated. Please call the school if you have any questions.

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

**Upcoming Dates:**

May 5-10: Catholic Education Week, “We Are Called To Love.”

May 6: Junior Girls Basketball Tournament

-Fundraiser Cookie Dough and Pizza Pick Up

May 8: CEW Province Wide Mass

May 10: Catholic Education Week Mass with Father John at 9:30 am

May 12: Mother’s Day

May 16: Bruce’s Mill Conservation Trip (Grade 4)

May 17: LegoLand Discovery Center trip (Grade 3)

-Dance Team Competition

**Upcoming Key Dates to note:**

June 3-12: EQAO for Grades 3 and 6

June 18: FDK Growing Celebration (details to follow)

*Happy Mother’s Day to all mothers, grandmothers, expectant mothers, adoptive mothers, foster mothers, step mothers and all those who play an important mothering role in the lives of others.*

*The Holy Name Staff wish you a beautiful day filled with love and joy!*

*Have a good week,*

*C. Zorzi  
Principal*

*F. Rossy  
Vice Principal*