

## **Holy Name Catholic School**

## **Weekly Update**

September 30 - October 4, 2024

## Hello Holy Name Families,

With the leaves beginning to change colours and the air turning crisp, we welcome the month of October. We hope that each of us experience a sense of gratitude, joy and hope as we approach each new day and opportunity together as a school community. Here's a look at what's happening this week at Holy Name.

**Terry Fox Run-** We would like to thank our students, staff and parents for participating in and supporting our Terry Fox Run last week. Like Terry, the rainy day did not stop us from walking for a cause and raising awareness. Thanks to the generosity of those who made donations we raised **\$2850**. The <u>donation link</u> is still open for any families still wanting to make donations to help us reach our school goal.

**Safety Awareness Week-** This week, **September 30th - October 4th** is designated as "Safety Awareness Week" for the YCDSB. During this week, we will be rehearsing a variety of emergency school procedures to acquaint students and staff with the precautionary steps to take in the event of such things as a warning of severe weather, or an intruder. In addition, throughout the year we will hold practice drills to acquaint students with various emergency protocols. Teachers will review these procedures with students in class prior to our practice drills.

National Day of Truth and Reconciliation - Orange Shirt Day- Orange Shirt Day is a day when we honour the Indigenous children who were sent as

Shirt Day is a day when we honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada and learn more about the history of those schools. On **Monday, September 30th** students will be involved in lessons and discussions within the classroom as well as participate in a outdoor liturgy and activity to commemorate the day. Staff and students are invited to wear Orange shirts to acknowledge the impact of the residential school system, raise awareness and honour Indigenous communities, as well as promote reconciliation.



**Thanksgiving Food Drive-** As Thanksgiving approaches, we are asked to be thankful and grateful for all of our blessings. As a school community we will be partcipating in a Thanksgiving Food Drive in collaboration with the King Township Food Bank to collect dried and canned foods, in particular **canned fruits**, **tuna**, **canned tomato sauce**, **Chef Boyardee**, in order to assist/support local families in need. Our **Thanksgiving Food Drive will take place from October 1st to 9th**. Donation bins will be set up inside the main entrance of school and students can come down to drop off their donation items. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

**Picture Day-** Our school photographer will be at Holy Name on **Tuesday, October 1st**. Students will take both individual and class photos and are asked to come to school in school dress code. See flyer for more details.

**Spirit Wear Orders-** If you are interested in ordering HNE spirit wear, click the link HNE School Spiritwear to place your order. Last day to place online orders is **Monday**, **September 30th**.

**Hot Lunch Orders-** If you are interested in ordering hot lunch for your child/ren, please place your order before **Tuesday**, **October 1st** by logging onto School-Day.

**Payment for Grade 8 Trip-** Grade 8's will be visiting Sainte-Marie among the Hurons on October 17th. **Last day to pay for this excursion is Tuesday, October 1st.** Please log onto School-Day to complete forms and make payment.

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



October 1-9 - Thanksgiving Food Drive

October 8 - Cross Country Meet @ Bruce's Mill

October 11- Thanksgiving Mass 9:30 a.m. (Parents Welcome)

October 14- Thanksgiving Day - No School

October 16- Catholic School Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

October 17- Charity Loonie/Toonie Civvies day to end Poverty
- Grade 8 Trip to Sainte-Marie among the Hurons

Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

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