

Holy Name Catholic School

Weekly Update

September 9-13, 2024

Greetings Holy Name Families,

Thank you to our families, staff and students for a great start to the 2024/25 school year. It was wonderful to welcome back our students and feel the excitement and anticipation of another school year filling our school's classrooms and hallways last week. We look forward to working together as a community and making this year the best one yet.

School Dress Code:

A reminder that HNE has a standardized dress code that consists of the following: **Bottoms**: Navy Blue (Black optional). Jeans, Jeggings, Running shorts and Printed shorts (including all logos) are **not permitted**.

Tops: White or Navy Blue. Tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, halter/crop tops and printed large logos/designs of any kind are **not permitted**.

Footwear: Students are required to wear proper footwear throughout the school day. They should have a pair of indoor shoes that can be left at school. Flip flops and crocs are **not permitted.** Further information may be found on the school website at https://hne.ycdsb.ca/

* All HNE Spirit Wear is a part of our school dress code.

Holy Name Spirit Wear: Holy Name Spirit Wear is now available. If you are interested in ordering spirit wear, the online store is now open. To place your order please visit their website by clicking on this link Holy Name Spiritwear. You will be prompted to enter our school access code **SHN5852** and will then have access to all HNE spirit wear items that are available. Spirit wear can be worn every day.

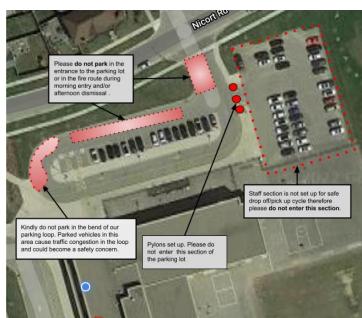
Anaphylactic Allergies and Medical Concerns: If your child has any anaphylactic and/or medical concerns, please notify the office so that all information and appropriate forms can be filled out and/or updated. Please contact the office if you have questions.

Safe Arrival Attendance Reporting: Student safety is of great importance at Holy Name therefore we ask that parents/guardians report their child(ren)'s absence or late arrival before 9:00 a.m. by accessing the **Elementary Safe Arrival Program** using either of the two methods below:

- Toll Free Safe Arrival Phone Number 1-855-856-7862
- The Safe Arrival SchoolMessenger website: <u>go.schoolmessenger.ca</u> These options are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

Parking Lot Reminders: Our parking lot acts as a 'Kiss N Ride' and in order to ensure the safety of our students/families during drop off and pick up, please make note of the following reminders:

- Please do NOT park in the Fire Route areas.
- Please do not park/leave vehicles unattended.
- Use caution when in the parking lot: be mindful of students, families and staff
- Please do not enter the side staff parking lot



Bus Loop: Please do not enter the bus loop during morning entry (8:45 am - 9:00 am) and afternoon dismissal (3:15 pm - 4:00 pm) procedures.

Bussing: Students who ride the bus to and from school are reminded that they are to ONLY ride on their assigned bus. To ensure student safety, students should be met by parents/guardians at their bus stop at designated drop off times. Parents are reminded to check www.schoolbuscity.com prior to leaving for the bus stop both in morning and afterschool for updates on pick up and drop off times. We expect there will be some delays in the first few weeks of school as drivers familiarize themselves with new routes so please check times before heading to the bus stop.

Student Login/Password Reset: An email was sent to parents a few weeks ago with instructions on how to reset student passwords. If you are in need of your child's student number please reach out to their classroom teacher. If while navigating the website you require assistance please visit help.ycdsb.ca/vle and assistance will be provided. If you have questions or require any further assistance, please feel free to contact the school.

School Day Cashless System: We will continue to use School Day Cashless System once again this year. This online portal allows parents/guardians to complete permission forms and make cashless payments online for trips, hot lunches and other activities. **Student agendas** have been distributed to students and we ask that payment of \$7.00 for your child's agenda be made by **Friday**, **September 20th** through School Day. If you haven't already done so, we encourage all families to sign up for School-Day. If assistance is needed, please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Hot Lunch: We hope to have our hot lunch program up and running in the next few weeks and are in need of some parent volunteers to be part of the Hot Lunch Committee. If you are interested and available to help organize and distribute hot lunch at HNE, we ask that you contact the school office and leave your contact information.

Cell Phone Policy: Please be advised that we have an appropriate cell phone use policy at Holy Name CES. If your children bring their phone to school, they are not to be used during the instructional day (9:00 to 3:30pm). Please see attached letter for more details. Cell Phone Letter

Sacred Heart Church Carnival & BBQ: Sacred Heart Church is having its 2nd annual Carnival and BBQ Picnic on **Sunday, September 15th from 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** All Holy Name students and families are invited to attend. For more details about the event click the attached link <u>Church Carninval & BBQ</u>

Sacrament Registration: There will be an information and registration evening for any families of children who will be receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation this year. The meeting dates are as follows:

- **Tuesday, September 17**TH First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion meeting at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- Thursday, September 19TH Confirmation meeting at 7:00 pm In the Parish Hall. Please note that both parent(s) and children are to attend the meeting.

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



September 17 & 19: Sacrament Registration Nights September 18: Catholic School Council Meeting & Elections September 20: Last day to purchase Student Agendas

Wishing you a wonderful week!

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