



Holy Name Catholic School

Weekly Update

October 28 - November 1 , 2024

Holy Name Families,

This week promises to be exciting as we gear up for Halloween with the FDK Halloween Howl and the Dance-a-thon Fundraiser. The hallways and front foyer are adorned with wonderful Halloween art and decorations. As the season shifts, the weather has turned cooler, and while some days may be sunny, the air remains quite brisk. We kindly remind students to come prepared for recess by wearing sweaters or jackets, hats, and outdoor shoes so they can fully enjoy their time outside.

Invitational Volleyball Tournament: Our Intermediate Boys & Girls Volleyball teams participated in an invitational Tournament at St. Joan of Arc CHS on Thursday, October 24th and showed great teamwork and demonstrated great skill on the court. Thank you to our coaches for preparing our students and to our students for their ongoing commitment to the team. **Go Huskies!**

Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser: The Halloween Dance-A-Thon Fundraiser will take place on **Wednesday, October 31, 2024**. This is the last week for students to collect pledges. When returning your envelopes please ensure your child's name and grade are clearly labeled on the pledge envelope. All envelopes must be returned to school (even if no donations have been collected) **by October 31st**. Students will receive a ballot for every \$10 collected that they can enter into a draw for various prizes. Prize list will be forthcoming.

🎃 All classes will be invited to participate in the dance-a-thon at their scheduled times: **JK, SK 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m., Grades 1, 2, 3 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m., Grades 4, 5, 6 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Grades 7 & 8 2:30p.m. - 3:30 p.m.** 🎃 A friendly reminder that parents/guardians are **not permitted** to attend the dance with their children. Thank you for your understanding and continued support. We are looking forward to another **Spooktacular Halloween Dance-a-thon!**

Halloween Howl: Our Catholic School Council members are once again busily preparing our Halloween Howl Event for our Kindergarten friends. Halloween Howl will take place on **Wednesday, October 30th** and parents are welcome to attend during their child's class' scheduled time. More information will be shared with parents by kindergarten teachers.



Halloween Costumes: Halloween is this week and students are invited to wear costumes or Halloween colours on this day. If students choose to wear a costume please note the following reminders when choosing a costume to wear to school:

- All students are reminded that costume props, and/or replica weapons including, but not limited to, toy guns, knives, axes, swords, etc., may not be brought to school.
- Masks as part of a costume are not to be worn at school as they present a safety risk, and some masks may even be quite scary to the younger students.
- Costumes should be respectful of the diversity in our communities and therefore should not reflect symbols or objects representative of another person's culture and/or race that may trivialize, devalue, or appropriate any culture or race. Costumes that mock social identities through stereotyping are also unacceptable.
- Students are discouraged from wearing costumes that are not appropriate to the moral tone of our Catholic schools.

If students are unsure about their costume idea, they should speak with their classroom teacher and/or administration. We are looking forward to a fun and respectful Halloween for all.

Grade 8 Grad Wear: Grad hoodies are now available for our Grade 8 students to purchase! They can be worn in accordance with the HNE school dress code and serve as a fantastic keepsake for the graduating class of 2025. This year, we're excited to introduce a **NEW ITEM, a grad t-shirt** that can be worn throughout the entire year. Consider adding a t-shirt to your order as well! Click on the [link](#) to access order catalogue and place order using access code **GHN5852. Orders are due by October 30th.**

Updated Volleyball Tournament Date: There has been a **change in the date** of the Intermediate Boys Volleyball Tournament. It will now take place on **Monday, November 4th** at Notre Dame CES. Coaches will be sharing details about the tournament with team members.

Parent-Teacher Interview Scheduling: Parent/Teacher Interview Request Forms have been sent home with the eldest child. Please ensure they are completed and returned to school by **Monday, November 4th**. Students will visit teachers to request interview times based on completed forms on **Tuesday November 5th**. Interviews for students without forms will be scheduled by teachers once all requested interviews (from returned forms) have been scheduled. Interview dates and times will be confirmed by your child's teacher after organization day on November 5th. Interviews will take place on Thursday, November 14th and Friday, November 15th.

Hearing Clinic: Save the Date! The School Screening Association will be visiting our school to conduct their annual Hearing Screening Clinic on **Thursday, November 28th**. More information will be shared in the next few weeks.

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

	<p>November 3- Daylight Savings Time Ends (clocks turn back 1 hr) November 4- Int. Boys Volleyball Tournament @Notre Dame CES November 5- Picture Retake Day 📷 - Interview Scheduling November 6- Grade 8 visit to Cardinal Carter CHS - Cardinal Carter Parent Open House 6:30 p.m. November 7- Int. Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Holy Name CES November 8- Mass with Fr. John 9:30 a.m. November 11 - Remembrance Day November 12- Progress Reports available on Parent Portal November 14- Parent-Teacher Interviews (4pm-8pm) November 15- Parent- Teacher Interviews (9am-10:30am)</p>
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Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

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